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2019-20

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<td>Run sport break-out meetings at seasonal coaches meetings.</td>
<td>Serve as an active member of MPSSAA sport-specific committee meetings. Provide updates and meeting minutes to AACPS staff and coaches.</td>
<td>Complete and submit the regional seeding form to the MPSSAA committee chair for their sport.</td>
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<td>Attend and help facilitate all-county selection meetings.</td>
<td>Attend and provide sport reports at district meetings.</td>
<td>Communicate with ADs in their region about procedures and expectations immediately following the posting of tournament brackets.</td>
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<td>Serve as a liaison with the office of athletics for your sport for county-based issues/projects/concerns/ideas.</td>
<td>Serve as a liaison with the office of athletics for your sport for state-based issues/projects/concerns/ideas.</td>
<td>Communicate with the commissioner of the local officials board for playoffs games in their region.</td>
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<td>Assist with facilitating county championship events (as applicable).</td>
<td>Coordinate with Howard county for district events (ex: Tennis, Softball).</td>
<td>Report all playoff results and pairings for subsequent round to the state committee director and County Sports Zone.</td>
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<td>Assist with the creation of the county-base schedule for your sport.</td>
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<td>Make arrangements for awards to be distributed at the region championship game.</td>
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<td>When available, attend regional/state playoff games as a neutral observer (inform the OoA when doing so). Position yourself in a neutral area and wear neutral AACPS Athletics gear, or do not wear athletic gear. Purposefully visit admin and athletic staff from both schools.</td>
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Note: When Sport Commissioners, District Representatives, and Region Tournament Directors are available to attend games in a non-coaching capacity they are to do so as a neutral observer. It is the responsibility of the officials and hosting school to ensure all procedures for play are followed in accordance with MPSSAA state bulletin and NFHS handbook guidelines. Sport Commissioners, District Representatives, and Region Tournament Directors should only offer their input when requested to do so.
### AACPS 2019-20 Tiers & Divisions by Sport

**Golf**
- **A-B-C Tiers**
  - 4-5-5
tiered because of varied ability

**Field Hockey**
- **A-C Tiers**
  - 9-4
tiered because of varied ability & no B because of significant difference

**Volleyball**
- **A-B Tiers**
  - 7-7
tiered because of varied ability & sectioned to control cross-overs

**Lacrosse (B&G)**
- **A-B Tiers**
  - 6-7
tiered because of varied ability

**Football**
- **4A-3A-2A Divisions**
  - 4-5-2-2
divided by classification to create reasonable playoff opportunities for all

**Soccer (B&G)**
- **1-2 Divisions**
  - 7-7
divided/balanced by enrollment because of parity

**Basketball (B&G)**
- **N-S Divisions**
  - 7-7
divided/balanced by geography because of parity

**Base/Soft**
- **1-2 Divisions**
  - 7-6
divided/balanced by ability because of parity (male)

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- Contests Allowed = 12
- Contests Given = 9/10/7/6

**County Championship**
- top two teams in tier A play each other (based on county record)
- top two teams play each other (based on county record)
- top two teams play each other (based on county record)
- top two teams play each other (based on division record)
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Schools will be provided with enough copies of the booklet for the principal, athletic director, and each head coach for the fall season. It is the school’s responsibility to read and follow the guidelines provided in this publication.

I. STATE TOURNAMENT POLICIES

A. The Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association games or tournament committees, each representing all of the nine districts shall administer and supervise tournaments in the various sports at the district, region, and state level.

B. All participating schools shall abide by the rules established by the tournament committee.

C. Although certain aspects of a tournament may vary from year to year, the following basic policies shall be observed by all tournament committees:

   1. A tournament may not interfere with local school policy.
   2. A school or school system has the privilege and right to decide whether or not it will participate in a tournament.
   3. A school shall compete in its classification when a tournament is so structured.
   4. Student-athletes may only participate in MPSSAA post-season events when their regular season coincides with the season in which the state championship is held.
   5. Certified and approved officials organizations shall be assigned games in a fair, equitable, and nondiscriminatory manner.
   6. All awards and recognition shall conform to MPSSAA Bylaw .08.
   7. A tournament committee shall make every effort to establish game sites that minimize extensive travel for participating teams.
   8. All policy and procedure changes for a state tournament shall be subject to the approval of the MPSSAA Executive Council with the Association’s tournament committee serving in an advisory capacity. Emergency decisions on tournament policies and procedures may be made by the MPSSAA Executive Director.
   9. When a contestant is found ineligible during the progress of a tournament, the contest last played shall be forfeited, and the team that was defeated shall take its place.
   10. All-star teams or best individual athlete awards MAY NOT be selected from an approved tournament.
   11. Sports at the state tournament level shall be governed by approved game rules.
   12. If a team or any student participating in state tournament play leaves the field of play before the completion of a contest, or fails to continue play when eligible to do so, or is guilty of “misconduct detrimental to the tournament”, then the team, coach, contestant or contestants may be sus-
pended from further participation in the current tournament and from the same tournament in the succeeding year, upon the determination of the tournament committee and the Executive Director. In addition, refer to section labeled “Misconduct Detrimental to a Tournament” (page 34 in the current MPSSAA Handbook).

13. The rules of the Association do not provide authority to order games replayed. Protests arising from decisions and interpretations by officials during the game will not be considered. Officials decisions and interpretations are final.

14. All suspended games will be continued from the point at which they were interrupted.

15. Expansion of any sport to the state level shall be recommended by the MPSSAA’s Board of Control and approved by the state superintendent of schools after consultation with local superintendents of schools.

16. Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Drones): In the interest of public safety and competitive equity, the use of unmanned aircraft systems (drones) is prohibited during MPSSAA district, region, and state tournament competition. Unmanned aircraft systems may not operate in airspace over host school grounds or facilities conducting MPSSAA events.

D. Region Seeding

1. Unless otherwise stated in this bulletin in a particular sport section, teams are seeded in the region tournament according to the best regular season winning percentage. If two teams are tied, the first tie-breaker is head-to-head results. If teams are still tied, a coin toss determines the higher seed.

2. When applying tie breaking procedures in instances where three or more teams are tied for a particular seed, the criteria must affect all three (or more) teams equally or proceed to the next tie breaker criteria. For instance, if team A beat team B, and team B beat team C, but team A and team C did not play, this criteria does not affect all teams equally – proceed to the next criteria. Also, in instances where three or more teams are tied, and a particular criteria applies to all three equally, the criteria may only distinguish the one team among the group that earns the higher seed. The remaining two (or more) teams are then re-evaluated beginning with the first criteria.

3. When calculating winning percentage, the total number of regular season wins (1 point each) and ties (1/2 point each) are added and then divided by the total number of games completed (divisor). In the following sports, if a team has not completed the minimum number of games specified, the divisor becomes the number indicated below (instead of the total number of games).

   (i.e. If a soccer team is 7-1-1, its winning percentage is 7.5/9 = 83.3%. If a soccer team has a record of 7-0-1 with only 8 complete games, its winning percentage is 7/9 = 77.7%.)

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4. The policy regarding a “NON-GAME/FORFEIT” on a team schedule is as follows:

   a.) In order for a contest to be declared a forfeit, it must satisfy the following criteria:

1. There must be a written contract, signed by both Principals, including the time, place, and date of the contest. For teams participating in the same league or conference, the official league or conference schedule shall serve the purpose of a written contract.

2. The head county/league/conference administrator of both schools shall agree that the contest be regarded as a forfeit. In instances where the head administrators do not agree, the MPSSAA Executive Director shall decide. For games against out-of-state teams, the Executive Director (or equivalent) of both states shall agree in order for the contest to be declared a forfeit.

3. The forfeit shall be applied to the season records of both participating teams (a win by forfeit for one team, a loss by forfeit for the other).
b.) A game may be declared a forfeit under the following circumstances:

1. A team deliberately or inadvertently fails to arrive at the designated site/time (except for extraordinary circumstances or unless mutually agreed upon in advance by the participating schools). Extreme traffic or a bus failing to arrive would be examples of “extraordinary circumstances”. This provision does not include complications arising from rescheduling a game which was previously postponed or cancelled.

2. A team disbands either temporarily or permanently. Under this provision, a team must have played at least one regular season game in order for an opponent(s) to be awarded a forfeit.

3. A team or individual player on a team violates MPSSAA regulations. Under this provision, the MPSSAA Handbook specifies conditions under which a forfeit may be declared.

4. One or both teams are unable to complete a contest according to prevailing MPSSAA or NFHS rules.

5. Once the region seeding is complete and the brackets released, any corrections due to errors in records or winning percentages will only be made up until 10 AM the following morning. No changes will be made to the seeding or brackets after that time.

II. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SCHOOLS PARTICIPATING IN A TOURNAMENT

A. It is the responsibility of schools to work with region directors to accurately report schedules, results and records for the purpose of tournament seeding. Failure to do so in a timely and accurate manner significantly hinders the smooth operation of the state tournament and may be considered “misconduct detrimental to the tournament” as outlined in the MPSSAA Handbook.

B. Postponed contests shall be rescheduled on the next available (nonscheduled) playing date. Any disagreements shall be referred to the appropriate local supervisor(s) for resolution.

C. All schools entering a tournament must agree to arrangements made by its tournament committee. This includes the time and place of each game and the selection of officials. All games will be played under the rules of the MPSSAA. In cases not covered by written regulations, the tournament committee in charge is empowered to make decisions.

1. A school may not request a postponement of any tournament game because of illness, injury, or unavailability of some of its players.

2. A school is responsible for seeing that all its players are protected by insurance in the event of injury.

D. Games will be played on a basis of shared responsibilities. Personnel from the visiting schools must accept their joint responsibilities with the persons in charge for the supervision and maintenance of good behavior on the part of the students, spectators, and participants. Good sportsmanship, exemplary behavior, and the protection of property are of primary importance before, during, and following each game. It is recommended that faculty representatives of the competing teams anticipate and study problems that could arise from such contests and plan cooperatively to deal with these problems.

E. Schools hosting region tournament games are responsible to provide a qualified game manager other than the participating coach.

F. The MPSSAA provides a hard copy of the NFHS rulebooks and MPSSAA Bulletins to all member schools each season. Schools are expected to maintain those hard copies and require teams to have them available at all playoff contests. It is highly recommended that these materials are presented to officials and reviewed at pre-game meetings to verify their availability as a reference during the contest. For instance, unique overtime procedures outlined in a sport-specific bulletin should be reviewed. Additionally, it is noted that all contracted officials’ associations are given laminated cards that highlight points of emphasis from the respective MPSSAA Bulletins. It is expected that these cards are also accessible to officials during all playoff games.

G. The possession or use of any alcoholic beverage or nonalcoholic substitute (i.e. nonalcoholic champagne) is considered to be “conduct detrimental to a tournament”. An individual or team using such products in any form of consumption or celebration will be subject to disciplinary action.
III. POINT OF EMPHASIS

The MPSSAA would like to make a point of emphasis for coaches. Coaches are reminded that you set the tone for your team and are the foremost influential figures representing your school. Your coaching attire and actions should reflect a professional approach that signifies a respect for the game, respect for your school and respect for yourself.

IV. COMPLIMENTARY PASSES

A. Complimentary passes are provided for coaches and administrators only.
   1. Passes are distributed through local supervisors.
   2. Each pass should have the bearer’s name printed on the pass prior to distribution.
   3. A valid driver’s license is required to be displayed with each pass.
   4. Admission to Regular Season Events is subject to Local School System Rules.

B. Additional special passes will be distributed for some tournaments. Those passes will admit the bearer only.

C. All other individuals age 7 years or older will be charged admission to any MPSSAA event.

V. RADIO AND TELEVISION

Radio and television coverage of the playoffs and championship games will be allowed by any station that is awarded a contract by the MPSSAA. Radio and television contracts must be awarded through the Executive Director. Schools will be notified by the Executive Director of approved broadcasters.

VI. MEDICAL PERSONNEL

The MPSSAA has budgeted for qualified medical personnel to be employed at each semifinal and final game. Host schools should employ those medical personnel from local sources. Medical personnel will be paid at the local rate. Schools entering the tournament agree to accept the recommendation of the medical professional assigned by the MPSSAA to cover the event.

VII. THUNDER AND/OR LIGHTNING

If thunder and/or lightning can be heard or seen, participants, spectators, and staff are in danger. Contests must be stopped and protective shelter sought immediately. In the event that either situation should occur, 30 minutes will be allowed to pass after the last sound of thunder and/or lightning strike before resuming play.

VIII. POLICE PROTECTION

The game director at each site will employ adequate police protection to supervise parking lots and assist with crowd control.
The MPSSAA Finance Committee has established a reimbursement schedule to assist with some of the travel expenses incurred by schools participating in regional and state tournaments. Schools participating in the following events may be eligible for reimbursement through their respective districts. Specific forms and process shall be established by the district.

### REGION CROSS COUNTRY

**Maximum Official Party** - 10 varsity runners on active roster by October 15 plus certified coaches and managers

**Meals, Travel & Lodging**

**District Option**

### REGION FIELD HOCKEY, SOCCER, & VOLLEYBALL

**Maximum Official Party** - 25 Girls, 4 Boys, and certified coach

**Meals, Travel, & Lodging**

**District Option**

**Distribution of Receipts**

To the host district

### REGION ROUND #1 FOOTBALL

**Maximum Official Party** - Same as on page 7 under State & Region Round #2 Football.

**Meals, Travel, & Lodging**

**District Option**

**Distribution of Receipts**

To the host district

### REGION GOLF

**Maximum Official Party** - 4 Girls, 4 Boys, and certified coach

**Meals, Travel, & Lodging**

**District Option**

**Distribution of Receipts**

To the host district

### REIMBURSEMENT SCHEDULE - Submit to MPSSAA

The MPSSAA Finance Committee has established a reimbursement schedule to assist with some of the travel expenses incurred by schools participating in regional and state tournaments. Schools participating in the following events may submit reimbursement to the MPSSAA. In order to obtain reimbursement, schools must submit applications through the MPSSAA website (www.mpssaa.org).

### STATE CROSS COUNTRY

**Maximum Official Party** - 10 varsity runners on active roster by October 15 plus certified coaches and managers

**Reimbursement Deadline**

December 15

**Travel Allotment** - Round Trip Distance

1. 0-50 miles $85
2. 51-100 miles $110
3. 101-150 miles $135
4. 151-200 miles $160
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### STATE FIELD HOCKEY, SOCCER, & VOLLEYBALL

**Maximum Official Party - 25**

**Meals**
- Over 75 miles one way @ $15/person

**Travel (round trip distance)**
1. 0-150 miles @ $2.00 per mile - minimum $100 or actual cost
2. 151-225 miles @ $2.25 per mile - not to exceed actual cost
3. Over 225 miles @ $2.50 per mile - not to exceed actual cost

**Lodging**
None

**Distribution of Receipts**
100% to MPSSAA

**Reimbursement Deadline**
December 15

### STATE AND REGION ROUND #2 FOOTBALL

**Maximum Official Party**
- 4A - 55
- 3A - 50
- 2A - 50
- 1A - 50

Number of players equivalent to Varsity roster as of Oct. 15. Certified coaches and student managers will be issued sideline passes

**Meals**
- Over 75 miles one way @ $15/person
- Over 150 miles one way @ $40/person overnight (must be approved by Executive Director)

**Travel (round trip distance)**
1. Official party of 40 and under - 1 BUS
2. Official party of 41 and over - 2 BUSES
3. 0-150 miles @ $2.00 per mile - minimum $100 or actual cost
4. 151-225 miles @ $2.25 per mile - not to exceed actual cost
5. Over 225 miles @ $2.50 per mile - not to exceed actual cost

**Lodging**
Must be approved by the MPSSAA Executive Director.

**Distribution of Receipts** - 100% to MPSSAA

**Reimbursement Deadline** - December 15

### STATE GOLF

**Maximum Official Party**
- 4 Girls, 4 Boys, and certified coach

**Travel Allotment - Round Trip Distance**
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**Reimbursement Deadline**
December 15
Cheerleading
Coaches Responsibilities:
1. Knowing and following all AACPS policies, procedures, rules and regulations as described throughout the AACPS Athletic Handbook.
2. Knowing and following the sport bulletins of the specific sport.
3. Knowing and following the “Bylaws” and “Rules and Interpretation” sections of the MPSSAA handbook.
4. Following the procedures in the MPSSAA tournament bulletins for his/her specific sport.
5. Following rules described in the appropriate rule book applicable to that sport.

Contact Information:
1. Questions should be directed to the local school athletic directors.
2. Then you should contact the sports commissioner:
   Krissy Albright, kalbright@aacps.org, 813-362-8888

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2019-2020 Important Athletic/Academic Dates and Restrictions:

August
- Monday, August 12th - 4:00 pm - Fall Coaches Meeting, South River High School
- Wednesday, August 14th - First day of tryouts
- Tuesday, August 20th - First scrimmage day
- Thursday, August 22nd - Thursday, August 30th - With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours. No double session practices during teacher work hours.
- Saturday, August 24th - SAT testing- No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Friday, September 6th - First Play Day & Season Management Form due to Krissy Albright & AD
September
- Wednesday, September 4th - Academic Probation Begins
- Friday, September 6th - First play date
- Saturday, September 7th - ACT testing- No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Wednesday, September 25th – Outdoor Cheer Showcase & Academic Probation ends
- Monday, September 30th- Rosh Hashanah- All schools closed- No practices or contests

October
- Saturday, October 5th - SAT testing- No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Tuesday, October 8th - Professional Development for teachers- With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Thursday, October 9th – Yom Kippur -All schools closed- No practices or contests
- Saturday, October 12th - SAT testing- No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Tuesday, October 15th - School closed for students. P/T Conferences With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Wednesday, October 23rd - FALL COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP @ SEVERNA PARK HIGH SCHOOL
- Saturday, October 26th - ACT testing- No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm

November
- Saturday, November 2nd - SAT testing- No mandatory practices or contests before 2pm
- Thursday, November 7th - Friday, November 8th- End of 1st MP 2hr early dismissal. With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Tuesday, November 19th - Check Ineligibility Lists

County Championship and Awards:
- Each school in the county can enter a cheerleading squad for competition.
- County Championship on Wednesday, October 23rd - 6:00 p.m. @ Severna Park High School
- 60 Medals- 30 for 1st and 30 for 2nd, County Championship Plaque/Head Coach Plaque

Regional Tournament Information:
- November 2nd, 2019 at Harford Community College

State Tournament Information:
- November 9th, 2019 at Harford Community College
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Contact Information:
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2. Sports Commissioners:
   - Brianna Bostic, Broadneck HS, bbostic@aacps.org, 410-294-2369
   - John Leitner, Office of Athletics, leitspeed777@gmail.com, 443-517-9803
3. District V Representatives:
4. District V Representatives:
   - Brianna Bostic, Broadneck HS, bbostic@aacps.org, 410-294-2369
   - Josh Carroll, South River, jacarroll@aacps.org, 410-533-4231
5. 4A East Regional Tournament Director
   - Zach Dickerson, Howard HS, 410-302-0807

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September
- Wednesday, September 4th - Academic Probation Begins
- Friday, September 6th - First play date
- Saturday, September 7th - ACT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Wednesday, September 25th - Academic Probation ends
- Monday, September 30th - Religious observance of Rosh Hashana - No practices or contests

October
- Saturday, October 5th - SAT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Wednesday, October 8th - Professional Development for teachers - Two-hour early dismissal for all students
- Thursday, October 9th - All schools closed
- Saturday, October 12th - PSAT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
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- Tuesday, November 19th - Check Ineligibility Lists

Contests:
- Ten contest maximum, not including County Championship, Regionals, or State Championship
- Must participate in both in-county regular season meets
- Must participate in one county invitational meet
- Limit two races in a calendar week
- Three meets in one week may be scheduled once during the season
Host Site Expectations:

- Consult with the Sport Commissioner and Office of Athletics on weather-related issues
- Provide the following supplies at the finish area the day of:
  - Well marked course including knowledge of the 1 and 2 mile locations
  - 3 staff to assist with finish line (to arrive 20 mins before the start of the first race); to be paid on blue/green sheets for a double supervision stipend
  - Trainer area near the finish
  - Water station for all runners to access near finish
  - Access to a gator 2 hours before the meet starts
  - 4 walkie talkies (head coach, timing table, AD, and one extra)
  - 2 plastic folding tables (not a scorer’s table)
  - 4 folding chairs
  - Knowledge of the closest power source (may be needed in emergencies)

County Championship and Awards:

- Each team will participate in the County Championship; the winning team at the County Championship Meet will be County Champion.
- 20 Individual medals for 1st - 20th place. 11 team medals for the 1st place team. County Championship Plaque/Head Coach Plaque
- Tuesday, October 22nd - County Championship – South River HS

Rule Changes:


JV Contests: Not Applicable

Playoffs:

- A CONTESTANT, in order to qualify, must be on the active Cross Country roster of the school team must have verifiable participation in a minimum of two Varsity Cross Country races with the school’s Cross Country team

Regional Tournament Information:

- October 21st - Application Deadline for Meet Entry
- October 31st - Regional Final Meet

State Tournament Information:

- November 3rd - Organization Meeting for State Meets
- November 9th - State Final Meet – Hereford HS
I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. The Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association is the official governing body for the Cross Country championships. Plans for the meet were formulated by the State Cross Country Committee and approved by the Board of Control.

B. Schools choosing to enter the championship meet have the responsibility for reading and adhering to the rules and regulations stated in Section I of this publication as well as those appearing within this Cross Country Bulletin. Unless specifically stated, all rules and regulations stipulated in the NFHS Cross Country Rule Book will be followed.

C. Eligibility rules for all participants are defined in MPSSAA Bylaw .02, found in the current MPSSAA Handbook.

D. General regulations for all state tournaments are contained in MPSSAA Bylaw .07, found in both the current Handbook and in Section I of this publication.

II. REGION AND STATE MEETS

A. Meet Organization

1. A CONTESTANT, in order to qualify, must be on the active Cross Country roster of the school team by October 19, 2019 and must have verifiable participation in a minimum of two Varsity Cross Country races with the school’s Cross Country team (see MPSSAA handbook page 31 .03B regarding Varsity ‘A’, Varsity ‘B’ squads) prior to October 28th when the school in which the contestant is registered has a Cross Country team.

2. A TEAM, in order to qualify, must have officially participated in at least two regular season VARSITY meets prior to October 19th.

3. A maximum of seven athletes from a school will be permitted to represent that school in the race in which that school is scheduled to compete. An athlete may run in only one race.

4. A school may run fewer than five athletes, but a school must finish at least five athletes to set back, to score, or to be entitled to team awards. Any MALE runner to score must finish within 30 minutes of the start of the race and any FEMALE runner to score must finish within 33 minutes of the start of the race.

5. The maximum team roster is twelve. The twelve athletes as of the entry deadline (10 a.m. on 10/28) shall be the twelve athletes available to run in the region and state meets. Substitutions are NOT permitted.

B. Playing Rules

1. National Federation rules will apply.

2. All contestants will run a course between three miles and 5,000 meters.

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III. REGION MEET

A. Meet Organization

1. All MPSSAA member schools are eligible to enter into their respective regional meet. Formal application of schools entering must be made by submitting an online entry prior to Monday, October 21st. Any initial entries submitted after the deadline will incur a $100 late fee made payable to the MPSSAA or the entry will be invalid. In no case will a team be entered into the region meet if an online entry form is not filled out by 10 a.m. on Monday, October 28th.

2. Schools will have until Monday, October 28th at 10 a.m. to submit final rosters. Schools may change their initial submitted form as many times as they want up until the 10 a.m. deadline on October 28th. The entry system will close at 10 a.m. on October 28th and region meets will be set.

3. The following online method for entry must be used. Please follow these directions for submitting entries.
   a. Go to <md.milesplit.com>, the site hosting the online entry process.
   b. Log in to your coach account.
   c. Click on the “Calendar” tab and select your Region Meet from the list of meets.
   d. On the “Region Meet” page, click on “Enter Online Now”.
   e. Check to make sure you are entering the correct region meet and then click on “Enter School”.
   f. Enter/confirm your contact info and select the gender(s) in which you wish to complete entries for and then click “Enter Team”.
   g. You are now able to enter a maximum of twelve athletes on the roster for the region meet. From that roster of twelve, coaches may declare any seven to run in the meet.
   h. After completing entries, print a confirmation copy of your entries by clicking on the “Print Confirmation” link at the top of your entry summary. The coach must bring a copy of this entry confirmation to the region meet.

4. The state organizational meeting for district representatives and region meet directors will be Sunday, November 3rd, at Howard HS starting at 9:00 a.m. Meet directors are to bring Region Meet results in HyTek format to the meeting.

5. Competitors that are entered into, compete in, and qualify from their region meet are expected to participate in their State Championship Meet or be subject to “misconduct detrimental to the tournament” and its’ penalties as found in the MPSSAA Handbook.

6. Advancement to the state meet
   a. The number of teams advancing to the state meet from each region shall be based on the total number of teams entered by the deadline onto the MPSSAA website with the minimum of five runners:

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   (1) Complete teams will consist of a minimum of five runners and a maximum of seven runners who have participated in at least two varsity Cross Country meets prior to and including October 28th.
(2) Official entry application must be submitted by the established deadline.

(3) Boys and girls will be counted separately.

(4) First year schools may compete.

(5) If five individual runners qualify in the region meet from a given school, these five shall be considered a team in the state meet.

b. Formula used to determine individual qualifiers: 25 percent of the total number of competitors in the region race that day. A minimum of 15 runners will qualify.

c. Four races for both boys and girls (4A, 3A, 2A, and 1A) will be held as part of the state meet. Participating teams must have had 20 days of practice prior to the region meet. The race will include runners from schools that elected to field a separate girls team or who have individual girls who desire to participate in the meet. Girls may elect to run on the boys team when an equal opportunity is not provided for a school-sponsored girls team. They may decide at the region meet and qualify for either the boys race or the girls race.

7. Team and individual awards will be presented.

8. Region Meet Sites:

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Email addresses for regional directors can be found on the Cross Country page of mpssaa.org.
IV. STATE MEET

A. Meet Entries

1. The State Entry will come from the region meet director. For schools that qualify as a team those runners who competed and finished will be entered into the State Meet. If coaches intend to run one of their alternates or if one or more runners did not finish, they are reminded to make sure the regional meet director forwards the name and grade level of those athletes to the State Committee.

2. Entries will be posted on mpssaa.org on the Monday following the Region Meet. Each coach should verify his/her own entries. Please contact your region meet director with corrections.

B. Meet Organization

1. The 2019 meet will be held at Hereford High School, Parkton. Directions from I-83 North: Exit 27; right on Mt. Carmel Rd.; left on York Rd. for 1/2 mile to school on right.

2. The Games Committee, comprised of members of the State Cross Country Committee present at the meet, will rule on any questions and protests that arise. Meet officials will be provided to handle the finish chute/corral, see that the athletes start and finish properly, and see that the meet is run according to National Federation rules.

3. On arrival at the course, the coach or school representative should go to the registration desk for the team’s packet, which contains numbers and final instructions.

4. Athletes should come dressed for participation. There will be locker room facilities for those who must travel greater distances and cannot travel dressed for participation in a cross country run. However, showers will not be available.

5. Tentative schedule: Times could be altered, subject to conditions.

   8:30 a.m.— 1st walk of course
   8:35 a.m.— Coaches’ meeting (Class 4A & 3A)
   9:00 a.m. — Meeting for officials
   10:00 a.m. — Class 3A Girls
   10:30 a.m. — Class 4A Girls
   11:00 a.m. — Class 3A Boys
   11:30 a.m. — Class 4A Boys
   12:00 p.m. — 2nd walk of course
   12:05 p.m. — Coaches’ meeting (Class 1A & 2A)
   1:30 p.m. — Class 1A Girls
   2:00 p.m. — Class 2A Girls
   2:30 p.m. — Class 1A Boys
   3:00 p.m. — Class 2A Boys
   4:00 - 4:25 p.m. — Class 1A Awards
   4:25 - 4:35 p.m. — Break to clear gym
   4:35 - 5:00 p.m. — Class 2A Awards
   12:30 - 12:55 p.m. — Class 3A Awards
   12:55 - 1:05 p.m. — Break to clear gym
   1:05 - 1:30 p.m. — Class 4A Awards

C. Playing Rules

1. WHITE LINES on the course path are official markings and take precedence over any other meet contested at that site. It is the coach’s responsibility to instruct the competitors concerning the official markings.

2. Athletes are responsible for walking the course.

3. Starting line positions will be assigned a box start drawn at the state organization meeting.

4. **Any MALE runner will have a maximum of 30 minutes to complete the race and any FEMALE runner will have a maximum of 33 minutes to complete the race** before the course is cleared for the next event.

5. Only participants and credentialed attendants are allowed in the Starting line area.

6. Upon the start of the race, coaches MAY NOT move closer to the Finish line. The Finish line is a restricted area for race participants and officials only.
D. General Policies

1. Scoring ties shall be resolved by comparing sixth-place finishers from the tied teams. The team with the best sixth-place finisher shall prevail. If one team does not have a sixth-place finisher, the team with the sixth-place finisher shall prevail. If only five competitors finish, the tie shall be resolved by totaling the scores of the first four finishers.

2. Within each classification, the top two teams will receive a team plaque and 14 individual medals. The first 25 individual runners will receive medals.

3. Undesirable behavior on the part of the school participants or nonparticipants shall be grounds for disqualification, at the determination of the State Cross Country Committee. Failure to comply will result in disciplinary action.

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2019 ALIGNMENT FOR CROSS COUNTRY

**CLASS 4A-WEST**

1. Urbana Fre
2. Bethesda-Chevy Chase Mtg
3. Winston Churchill Mtg
4. Clarksburg Mtg
5. Albert Einstein Mtg
6. Gaithersburg Mtg
7. Walter Johnson Mtg
8. Richard Montgomery Mtg
9. Northwest Mtg
10. Quince Orchard Mtg
11. Walt Whitman Mtg
12. Wheaton Mtg
13. Thomas S. Wootton Mtg

**CLASS 4A-NORTH**

1. Catonsville B Co
2. Dulaney B Co
3. Parkville B Co
4. Perry Hall B Co
5. Margenthaler Balt
6. Western Balt
7. Montgomery Blair Mtg
8. John F. Kennedy Mtg
9. Northwood Mtg
10. Paint Branch Mtg
11. Sherwood Mtg
12. Springbrook Mtg

**CLASS 4A-SOUTH**

1. Bladensburg PG
2. Bowie PG
3. DuVal PG
4. Charles H. Flowers PG
5. High Point PG
6. Laurel PG
7. Northwestern PG
8. Parkdale PG
9. Eleanor Roosevelt PG
10. Suitland PG
11. Dr. Henry A. Wise, Jr.
12. Southern PG
13. Clear Spring Was
14. Smithsburg Was
15. Williamsport Was

**CLASS 4A-EAST**

1. Annapolis AA
2. Arundel AA
3. Broadneck AA
4. Glen Burnie AA
5. Meade AA
6. North County AA
7. Old Mill AA
8. Severna Park AA
9. South River AA
10. Howard How
11. Leonardtown StM

**CLASS 3A-WEST**

1. Frederick Fre
2. Gov. Thomas Johnson Fre
3. Linganore Fre
4. Tuscarora Fre
5. James Hubert Blake Mtg
6. Damascus Mtg
7. Col. Zadok Magruder Mtg
8. Rockville Mtg
9. Watkins Mill Mtg
10. North Hagerstown Was
11. South Hagerstown Was

**CLASS 3A-NORTH**

1. Dundalk B Co
2. Franklin B Co
3. Hereford B Co
4. Kenwood B Co
5. Patapsco B Co
6. Towson B Co
7. Woodlawn B Co
8. Baltimore City College Balt
9. Baltimore Polytechnic Balt
10. Aberdeen Hfd
11. Bel Air Hfd
12. C. Milton Wright Hfd
13. Edgewood Hfd

**CLASS 3A-SOUTH**

1. Chesapeake AA
2. Northeast AA
3. Huntingtown Cal
4. Northern Cal
5. North Point Cha
6. St. Charles Cha
7. Oxon Hill PG
8. Chopticon StM
9. Great Mills StM
10. Easton Tal
11. James M. Bennett Wic
12. Stephen Decatur Wor
13. Maryland Wic

**CLASS 3A-EAST**

1. Manchester Valley Car
2. Westminster Car
3. Atholton How
4. Centennial How
5. Hammond How
6. Long Reach How
7. Marriotts Ridge How
8. Mt. Hebron How
9. Reservoir How
10. River Hill How
11. Wilde Lake How

**CLASS 2A-WEST**

1. Century Car
2. Liberty Car
3. South Carroll Car
4. Winters Mill Car
5. Middletown Fre
6. Oakdale Fre
7. Walkersville Fre
8. Glenelg How
9. Oakland Mills How
10. Poolesville Mtg
11. Seneca Valley Mtg
12. Boonsboro Was
13. Boonsboro Was

**CLASS 2A-NORTH**

1. Carver A&T B Co
2. Chesapeake B Co
3. Eastern Technical B Co
4. Lansdowne B Co
5. Milford Mill Academy B Co
6. New Town B Co
7. Overlea B Co
8. Owings Mills B Co
9. Randallstown B Co
10. Sparrows Point B Co
11. Carver Vo-Tech Balt
12. Digital Harbor Balt
13. Patterson Balt

**CLASS 2A-SOUTH**

1. Southern AA
2. Calvert Cal
3. Patuxent Cal
4. La Plata Cal
5. Henry E. Lackey Cha
6. Thomas Stone Cha
7. Westlake Cha
8. Crossland PG
9. Frederick Douglass PG
10. Potomac PG
11. Elkton Cec
12. North East Cec
13. Rising Sun Ccc
14. North Caroline Cln
15. Fallston Hfd
16. Harford Technical Hfd
17. North Harford Hfd
18. Kent Island QA
19. Queen Anne's QA
20. Parkside Wic
21. Wicomico Wic

**CLASS 2A-EAST**

1. Century Car
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**CLASS 1A-WEST**

1. Allegany All
2. Fort Hill All
3. Mountain Ridge All
4. Francis Scott Key Car
5. Brunswick Fre
6. Catotcin Fre
7. Northern G
8. Southern G
9. Clear Spring Was
10. Smithsburg Was
11. Williamsport Was

**CLASS 1A-NORTH**

1. Loch Raven B Co
2. Pikesville B Co
3. Western STES B Co
4. ACEC Balt
5. Benjamin Franklin Balt
6. Coppin Academy Balt
7. Frederick Douglass Balt
8. Paul Laurence Dunbar Balt
9. Edmondson/Westside Balt
10. Forest Park Balt
11. Lake Clifton Balt
12. Reginald Lewis Balt
14. New Era Academy Balt
15. The SEED School of MD MD

**CLASS 1A-SOUTH**

1. Chesapeake Science Point AA
2. Maurice J. McDonough Cha
3. Central PG
4. CMIT North PG
5. CMIT South PG
6. Croom Vocational PG
7. Fairmont Heights PG
8. Friendly PG
9. Gwynn Park PG
10. Intln. HS at Langley Park PG
11. International HS at Largo PG
12. Largo PG
13. Surrattsville PG
14. Tall Oaks PG
15. Maryland Wic

**CLASS 1A-EAST**

1. Bohemia Manor Cec
2. Perryville Cec
3. Cambridge-SD Dor
4. North Dorchester Dor
5. Havre de Grace Hfd
6. Joppatowne Hfd
7. Patterson Mill Hfd
8. Kent County K
9. Crisfield Som
10. Washington Som
11. Snow Hill Wor
12. Pocomoke Wor
13. Leonardtown StM
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Coaches Responsibilities:
1. Knowing and following all AACPS policies, procedures, rules and regulations as described throughout the AACPS Athletic Handbook.
2. Knowing and following the sport bulletins of the specific sport.
3. Knowing and following the “Bylaws” and “Rules and Interpretation” sections of the MPSSAA handbook.
4. Following the procedures in the MPSSAA tournament bulletins for his/her specific sport.
5. Following rules described in the appropriate rule book applicable to that sport.

Contact Information:
1. Questions should be directed to the local school athletic directors.
2. Sports commissioner: Kyle Hines, Glen Burnie, khines@aacps.org, 443-924-4794
3. District V Representative/4A East Regional Tournament Director: Heather Arnold, Old Mill, harnold@aacps.org, 410-596-6225

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2019-2020 Important Athletic/Academic Dates and Restrictions:

August
- Monday, August 12th - 4:00 pm - Fall Coaches Meeting, South River High School
- Wednesday, August 14th - First day of tryouts
- Tuesday, August 20th - First scrimmage day
- Saturday, August 24th - SAT testing- No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Thursday, August 23rd - Thursday, August 30th - With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours. No double session practices during teacher work hours.
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September
- Wednesday, September 4th - Academic Probation Begins
- Friday, September 6th - First play date
- Saturday, September 7th - ACT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Wednesday, September 25th - Academic Probation ends
- Monday, September 30th - Rosh Hashanah - All schools closed - No practices or contests

October
- Saturday, October 5th - SAT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Tuesday, October 8th - Professional Development for teachers - Two-hour early dismissal for all students, No athletics after sundown - Yom Kippur
- Wednesday, October 9th - Yom Kippur - All schools closed - No practices or contests
- Tuesday, October 15th - School closed for students. P/T Conferences With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Saturday, October 26th - ACT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm

November
- Saturday, November 2nd - SAT testing - No mandatory practices or contests before 2pm
- Thursday, November 7th - Friday, November 8th - End of 1st MP 2hr early dismissal. With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Wednesday, November 20th - Check Ineligibility Lists

Contests:
- 12 regular season games or 14 with designated 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 two or three-game tournament; and only 11 season games may be scheduled if three-game tournament is scheduled.
County Championship and Awards:
- Varsity and JV games will be played.
- Monday, October 21st, JV 5:00pm & Varsity 7:00pm, Glen Burnie High School
- The top two tier A teams from the regular season, as defined by AACPS Athletic Handbook guidelines, will play for the County Championship games.
- JV County Championship criteria: A JV player is eligible to participate as long as they have not entered a regular season varsity contest (excluding tournaments – they may 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 teams (gold and silver); team and head coach plaques
  - JV: team plaque

Rule Changes:

JV Contests:
- JV contests that end in a tie after regulation will end in a tie

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 Regional quarterfinal round are required to submit the tournament entry form.
- http://www.mpssaa.org/state-championships/field-hockey/

Regional Tournament Information:
- October 19th  Last play date for seeding
- October 21st  Seeding Meeting
- October 23rd  Last play date
- October 24th  Sectional Quarterfinals
- October 28th  Sectional Semifinals
- October 30th  Regional Finals

State Tournament Information:
- November 6th/7th  State Semifinals
- November 9th  State Finals
I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. The Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association is the official governing body for the Field Hockey tournament. Plans for the tournament were formulated by the State Field Hockey Committee and approved by the Board of Control.

B. Schools choosing to enter the tournament have the responsibility for reading and adhering to the rules and regulations stated in Section I of this publication as well as those appearing within this Field Hockey Bulletin. Unless specifically stated, all rules and regulations stipulated in the NFHS Field Hockey Rule Book will be followed.

C. Eligibility rules for all participants are defined in MPSSAA Bylaw .02, found in the current MPSSAA Handbook.

D. General regulations for all state tournaments are contained in MPSSAA Bylaw .07, found in both the current Handbook and in Section I of this publication.

E. Regular season policies and procedures

1. Games postponed during the regular season shall be made up on the first available date and in the order originally scheduled. Subsequent games shall not be moved. Local Supervisor(s) of Athletics shall be consulted and will make final decisions on postponed games.

2. By State Association adoption, the clock will continue to run after goals when one team is ahead by five goals.

3. In order to break regular season ties, follow the National Federation Rulebook tie-breaker procedures (page 72: items A, B, C, and D1; page 74, item #5; and pages 73-74, item #4 a.-b.), with the following modification:

   Play two 10-minute Reduced Player “sudden-victory” overtime periods, if necessary. Seven players start in the overtime including the goalkeeper, unless a team was playing short in regulation due to a card, then they shall play short in the overtime until the card time is served.

4. If the game is still tied at the end of the second Reduced Player overtime, one set of five one-on-one’s will be used. Each coach shall present a list of five eligible players in shooting order to the official. On an alternating basis, an attacker on the 25-yard line will have 10 seconds against the other team’s goalkeeper who begins on the goal line, to move the ball into the circle, take a shot, and any follow-up shots as time permits. A foul or violation by the attacker ends the procedure. The procedure also ends when: (1) the 10 seconds has elapsed; (2) a goal is scored; (3) the ball goes out of play over the end line or sideline. An unintentional foul by the goalkeeper shall result in the one-on-one being re-taken. For an intentional foul by the goalkeeper, a penalty stroke shall be awarded (Any eligible player on the roster may take the penalty stroke. Players currently serving GC/YC/RC penalties not eligible). If the game is still tied after using one set of one-on-one’s, the game will remain a tie.

Aug. 14............First practice date
Sept. 6............First play date
Oct. 19............Last play date for seeding consideration
Oct. 21............Tournament seeding
Oct. 23............Last play date
Oct. 31............Application deadline for tournament qualifiers

2019 FIELD HOCKEY TIME LINE

REGION TOURNAMENT

Oct. 24............Region Quarterfinals
Oct. 28............Region Semifinals
Oct. 30............Region Finals

STATE TOURNAMENT

Nov. 1/2............Quarterfinals
Nov. 6/7............Semifinals
Nov. 9............Finals
Dec. 15............Reimbursement request due
5. Timer and Scorer: If there is a visible working scoreboard, it shall be used as the official clock. At the end of each half, the timer shall sound an audible device to indicate that time has expired. The umpire’s whistle will then signal the official end of the half. The timer or scorer must have a stop watch or clock available to keep penalty time on the sideline.

6. During the regular season, the home team shall supply a minimum of five game balls for each contest. It is highly recommended the home team supply two ball retrievers. If no ball retrievers are available, schools shall place two balls behind each goal.

II. REGION AND STATE TOURNAMENTS

A. Tournament Organization

1. Every school is automatically entered in the region tournament unless the MPSSAA office receives written notification to the contrary. Request for withdrawal shall be by letter, signed by the school principal.

2. A TEAM ENTRY FORM utilized for the State Semifinals, and Finals must be filled out by teams winning their Region Final. Instructions on filling out the TEAM ENTRY FORM will be available on mpssaa.org.

3. Each region will conduct a single elimination tournament, with the champion advancing to state play.

B. Playing Rules

1. All rules not modified here shall be in accordance with the current National Federation rules.

2. Methods of tie-breaking will be the same as for the regular season. However, if a tie still stands after two “sudden-victory” Reduced Player periods and one set of five one-on-one’s with follow-up shots, then “sudden victory” one-on-one’s with follow-up shots will follow to determine a winner during all region and State Tournament games. (NFHS Rulebook pages 73-74, item #4 a.-c.)

   a. Coaches present a list of any five eligible players from the roster to the official for the “sudden victory” one-on-one’s with follow-up shots. Players and/or the order of players may be changed.

   b. The team not having the ball first in the previous set of one-on-one’s shall start the set of “sudden victory” one-on-one’s.

   c. The “sudden victory” one-on-one’s with follow-up shots will be taken on an alternating basis until one team is ahead after an equal number of one-on-one’s have been taken and the tie is broken.

III. REGION TOURNAMENT

A. Tournament Organization

1. The region director (listing found on page 21 of this bulletin) is responsible for the assignment of officials and the notification of schools as to the tournament bracket, site, and starting times.

   a. The region director shall employ local officials to the game site, plus qualified adults as scorers and timers.

   b. The region director shall inform the State Committee Director and the MPSSAA of the schedule established for competition.

2. The seeding meeting for bracket positions will take place Monday, October 21st in the MPSSAA office via conference call with the State Tournament Director. Tournament pairings will appear on the MPSSAA web site <mpssaa.org> later that day.

   a. Region directors will verify and submit to the state tournament chair by 12 p.m., October 20th, the official records of all teams for regular season games played through that day.
b. All teams in each region will be seeded as determined by regular season winning percentage, excluding the one additional tournament and any city, county, or conference championship.

c. Teams with less than nine varsity games played will be seeded based on a regular season winning percentage using a divisor of nine games.

d. Ties among teams in a region will be first broken by head-to-head competition to determine the higher seed. This applies if all tied teams meet the criteria. If head-to-head does not break the tie, a coin toss will be used to determine the order of seeding.

e. The higher-placed team is defined as one who occupies the lower-numbered line position, (the favored position), on the bracket in any given round.

3. Unless a specific alternative plan has been approved, all teams in regional play will abide by the following guidelines.

  a. All regional games will be played at the site of the higher seed throughout the tournament.

  b. If circumstances render a home site unplayable and the game is scheduled at any alternate site, the designated home team will remain unchanged.

  c. The home team will wear white tops and solid white socks.

  d. During regional tournament games, the designated home team shall supply four ball retrievers.

4. The home school will determine the game time.

  a. During Daylight Savings Time, day games will begin no later than 3:30 p.m.

  b. During Eastern Standard Time, day games will be played no later than 3:00 p.m.

  c. Night games will begin no later than 7:00 p.m.

5. Traveling teams should contact the director of the region where the game is to be played for information regarding field conditions, etc. which pertain to their game status.

6. Rained-out contests must be played on the dates indicated in the Time Line on page 16.

7. The Field Hockey Committee will approve for use only those sites that meet the criteria that follows. When a school cannot meet the game site criteria, the region director shall designate an alternate site after consultation with the local Supervisor(s) of Athletics.

  a. Play must be on a regulation field, sized and marked as specified by NFHS Rules including marks for a team line. A crowned field is NOT recommended (the ball should be visible).

  b. The playing surface should be of grass and cut to the appropriate height (ball visible) and/or a turf field.

  c. There shall be a clearly defined spectator area. Spectators may not stand behind team benches.

  d. Provisions should be made for adequate supervision and crowd control.

  e. There should be the capability to control the gate.

  f. A scorer’s table with four chairs and two penalty chairs should be provided.

  g. Team benches should be provided.

  h. For Region Finals, the use of a public address system is recommended.
i. If at a neutral site, the school must be willing to host.

8. The designated home team will provide a minimum of five game balls, clock, and stopwatch.

9. Local MPSSAA districts will collect all revenue and pay all expenses. Site directors shall pay officials and required workers. When funds are not available, fees should be referred to the host district.

B. General Policies

1. Individuals 7 years of age and older will be charged an admission of $6.

2. Multi-turf balls are recommended for use.

3. Game scores should be called in to the region director immediately following the contest. Region directors shall report the results to the state director.

4. Region champions will receive a team plaque and individual certificates.

5. The use of noisemakers and other distractions that disrupts the orderly progress of the game, (i.e., use of whistles or horns that are similar to those used by officials and the scoring table), are prohibited.

IV. STATE TOURNAMENTS

A. State Quarterfinals

1. The region champions from each classification shall advance to a State Quarterfinal round.

2. The eight region champions will be seeded 1-8 based on their regular season winning percentage used to seed each region. Ties among teams in the State Quarterfinals will be first broken by head-to-head competition to determine the higher seed. This applies if all tied teams meet the criteria. If head-to-head does not break the tie, a coin toss will be used to determine the order of seeding.

3. Unless a specific alternate plan has been approved, all State Quarterfinal games will be played at the site of the higher seed.

4. Schools hosting a State Quarterfinal game may schedule the contest on Friday, November 1 or Saturday, November 2. When setting game times hosting sites must be mindful of other school activities and provide appropriate travel time for any schools with students taking the SAT on Saturday, November 2. Local Supervisors of Athletics shall be contacted and make the final decision when conflicts occur.

5. A two-person officiating crew and table official from the association local to the higher seeded team will be assigned to the State Quarterfinal contest.

6. Local MPSSAA districts will collect all revenue and pay all expenses. Site directors shall pay officials and required workers. When funds are not available, fees should be referred to the host district.

B. State Semifinals

1. The winners of the State Quarterfinal round shall advance to the State Semifinals.

   a. The winner in each classification of the No. 1 versus No. 8 seeded game will play the winner of the No. 4 versus No. 5 seeded game.

   b. The winner in each classification of the No. 2 versus No. 7 seeded game will play the winner of the No. 3 versus No. 6 seeded game.
2. The State Semifinal games will be played at 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the following sites:

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3. Postponements for the Semifinal games will be Friday, November 8.

4. Each school participating in the State Semifinals shall supply two ball retrievers.

5. Teams shall arrive at the game site dressed for participation.

6. The home team will sit on the left bench, when facing the scorer’s table.

7. A two-person officiating crew and table official will be assigned to the State Semifinal contest.

C. State Finals

1. The winners of the State Semifinal round shall advance to the State Finals.

2. The Finals will be played at Washington College in Chestertown, MD.

   a. **From Bay Bridge:** Follow Rt. 50/Rt. 301 East past Kent Island, then take Rt. 301 North toward Wilmington at Rt. 50/Rt. 301 split. After about 7 miles, take Rt. 213 North exit toward Centreville and Chestertown. In Chestertown, Rt. 213 becomes Washington Avenue. Turn left at the Greenwood Avenue traffic signal and enter campus through College's North Gate.

   b. **From Points Due North:** Follow Rt. 213 South to Chestertown. In Chestertown, turn right at the Greenwood Avenue traffic signal and enter campus through the College's North Gate.

   c. **From Eastern Shore:** Follow Rt. 50 West to Rt. 213 North. Take Rt. 213 North toward Centreville and Chestertown. In Chestertown, Rt. 213 becomes Washington Avenue. Turn left at the Greenwood Avenue traffic signal and enter campus through College's North Gate.

3. Game times for the Finals at Washington College are as follows:

   - Class 2A ......................................11:00 a.m.
   - Class 3A........................................1:30 p.m.
   - Class 4A........................................4:00 p.m.
   - Class 1A........................................6:30 p.m.

4. Two officials and a bench official will be assigned for each game.

5. Each team will provide a scorer and timer to assist the state scorekeeper.

6. Dressing facilities will not be available.

7. Schools advancing to the Finals may not practice on the Washington College field at any time prior to the game.

8. There will be a formal introduction of teams prior to the start of each game. Check with the tournament director upon arrival to determine the procedure. Teams will also line up following the game. Coaches should keep their teams together and make their spectators aware of the ceremony. Spectators should remain off the field where the ceremony will take place.

9. Teams should bring their own practice balls.
D. General Policies

1. Individuals 7 years of age and older will be charged admission.
   
   a. **State Quarterfinals - $6.**
   
   b. State Semifinals (central sites — $8)
   
   c. State Finals (Washington College — $10)

2. Region champions will complete the Media Information Form (found on the Field Hockey page of mpssaa.org) and bring the requested copies to the State Quarterfinals. This form shall be revised following each successful round and new requested copies brought to each game site through the State Final game.

3. A total of 30 members of the official field hockey party will be admitted free.

4. A maximum of 20 cheerleaders from each of the participating schools will be admitted free of charge only if they are in complete uniform and *accompanied by a coach.*

5. Should the final championship game be tied after two sudden-victory overtime periods, one-on-one’s will be used to determine a champion.

6. The championship team and the finalist team will each be presented with a team plaque and 25 individual awards.

7. The use of noisemakers and other distractions that disrupts the orderly progress of the game, (i.e., use of whistles or horns that are similar to those used by officials and the scoring table), are prohibited.

8. Signs will be permitted for display on the sidelines only. Those signs must be stationary, self-supporting and should display a positive support of the school. Signs may not be carried through the spectator area as a means of taunting others. Faculty members of participating schools are expected to enforce this regulation. Derogatory or obscene signs will be confiscated.

9. Coaches must remind their teams, parents, and spectators that no alcoholic beverages (or nonalcoholic substitute) are permitted on the college property.

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1. Knowing and following all AACPS policies, procedures, rules and regulations as described throughout the AACPS Athletic Handbook.
2. Knowing and following the sport bulletins of the specific sport.
3. Knowing and following the “Bylaws” and “Rules and Interpretation” sections of the MPSSAA handbook.
4. Following the procedures in the MPSSAA tournament bulletins for his/her specific sport.
5. Following rules described in the appropriate rule book applicable to that sport.

Contact Information:
1. Questions should be directed to the local school athletic directors.
2. County sports commissioner - Chip Snyder, Chesapeake High School, 443-618-6879, esnyder@aacps.org
3. District V representative - Nick Good-Malloy, Annapolis High School, 443-878-4800, ngood-malloy@aacps.org

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2019-2020 Important Athletic/Academic Dates and Restrictions:

August
• Monday August 12th - 3:00 pm - Fall Coaches Meeting, South River High School
• Wednesday, August 14th - First day of tryouts
• Tuesday, August 20th - First scrimmage day
• Saturday, August 24th - SAT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
• Thursday, August 22nd - Thursday, August 29th - With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours. No double session practices during teacher work hours.
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**September**
- Thursday, September 5th - Academic Probation Begins
- Friday, September 6th - First play date
- Saturday, September 14th - ACT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Thursday, September 25th - Academic Probation ends
- Monday September 30th - Rosh Hashanah - All schools closed - No practices or contests

**October**
- Saturday, October 5th - SAT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Tuesday, October 8th - Professional Development for teachers - Two-hour early dismissal for all students
- Wednesday, October 9th - Yom Kippur - All schools closed - No practices or contests
- Tuesday, October 15th - School closed for students. P/T Conferences With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Saturday, October 26th - ACT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm

**November**
- Saturday, November 2nd - SAT testing - No mandatory practices or contests before 2pm
- Thursday, November 7th - Friday, November 8th - End of 1st MP 2hr early dismissal. With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Monday, November 18th - Entry deadline for Tournament qualifiers
- Wednesday, November 20th - Check Ineligibility Lists

**Contests:**
- 2 scrimmages (play dates are considered one scrimmage)
- 9 contests (county mandated schedule)

**County Championship and Awards:**
- Only an in-season County Champion will be awarded by record.
- 55 medals per team. County Championship Plaque/Head Coach Plaque

**JV Contests:**
- JV contests that end in a tie after regulation will play one traditional OT period. The ball is placed on 10 yard line. If after one OT the score is tied the result will remain a tie.

**Rule Changes:**
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Playoffs:

- The top eight teams in each region (as defined by the MPSSAA point system) according to the MPSSAA point system will compete in a single elimination tournament, with the region winner advancing to state play.

Regional Tournament Information:

- November 2 Last Playdate
- November 3 Seeding Meeting
- November 8/9 Region Round 1
- November 15/16 Region Round 2

State Tournament Information:

- November 22/23 State Quarterfinals
- November 29/30 State Semifinals
- December 5/6/7 State Finals (Navy Marine Corps Memorial Stadium)
I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. The Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association is the official governing body for the Football tournament. Plans for the tournament were formulated by the State Football Committee and approved by the Board of Control.

B. Schools choosing to enter the tournament have the responsibility for reading and adhering to the rules and regulations stated on page 1 (Section I) of this publication as well as those appearing within this Football Bulletin. Unless specifically stated, all rules and regulations stipulated in the NFHS Football Rule Book will be followed.

C. Eligibility rules for all participants are defined in MPSSAA Bylaw .02, found in the current MPSSAA Handbook.

D. General regulations for all state tournaments are contained in MPSSAA Bylaw .07, found in both the current Handbook and in the front section of this publication.

E. By State adoption, Maryland has adopted the following rule regarding the use of running time. After the first half, any time the score differential reaches 35 points or more, the following changes, and only these changes, will be made regarding rules determining when the clock will and will not be stopped.

   a. Once a 35-point differential exists in the second half, the clock will only be stopped when:

      (1) An official’s timeout for an injured participant.

      (2) A charged (team) time-out occurs.

      (3) A score occurs that reduces the point spread to less than 35 points (in which case regular timing procedures will be used).

      (4) A period ends.

   b. The use of this rule does not preclude the use of Rule 3-1-3 which reads, “A period or periods may be shortened in any emergency by agreement of the opposing coaches and the referee. By mutual agreement of the opposing coaches and the referee, any remaining period may be shortened at any time or the game terminated.”

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II. REGION AND STATE TOURNAMENT QUALIFYING

A. Point System Criteria

1. In each of the four classifications, the top eight teams in each region according to the MPSSAA point system will compete in two regional rounds, with two region participants advancing to state play.

2. Point system for tournament selection

   a. Nonmember schools will be placed in the proper classification according to member school enrollments based on the enrollments of grades 9, 10, and 11, comparable to MPSSAA classifications. An all-boys or all-girls school enrollment will be multiplied by two.

   b. Policy concerning unplayed games

      (1) Disbandment or failure to start the season on time will result in a non-game and shall automatically reduce the divisor of the disbanded team’s opponent by one game.

      (2) Disbandment after any part of the schedule has been played will be recorded as a win for the disbanded team’s opponents.

   c. Winning team bonus points will be determined as follows:

      (1) A team playing a 9-game schedule shall receive 1.00 points for each game won by a defeated opponent who also plays a 9-game schedule.

      (2) A team playing a 9-game schedule shall receive 1.125 points for each game won by a defeated opponent who plays an 8-game schedule.

      (3) A team playing an 8-game schedule shall receive .889 of a point for each game won by a defeated opponent who plays a 9-game schedule.

      (4) A team playing an 8-game schedule shall receive 1.00 points for each game won by a defeated opponent who also plays an 8-game schedule.

      (5) For each game tied by a defeated opponent, a team shall receive 50 percent of awarded points.

      (6) For each game tied by a tied opponent, a team shall receive 25 percent of awarded points.

      (7) For each game won by a tied opponent, a team will receive 50 percent of awarded points.

   d. When an MPSSAA member school plays a nonmember opponent who will not play the tiebreaker, the MPSSAA school shall receive points as follows:

      4A—4.0 points, 3A—3.5 points; 2A—3.0 points; 1A—2.5 points.

   e. MPSSAA member schools whose opponents play more than a 9-game schedule will:

      (1) determine points from results of first 9 games if member school appears on the opponent’s schedule from the first to and including the 9th game.

      (2) determine points by counting back 9 games from and including the game in which member school appears on opponent’s schedule.
f. The total accumulated points will be divided by 8 or 9, depending on the number of games played. Nine is the maximum divisor and eight is the minimum divisor to qualify for state participation. A team must count all regular season games when using the point system criteria to determine representation.

g. When a MPSSAA team plays the same opponent twice during the regular season, only the first game should count to determine team record and points. No points (bonus or win points) for any teams will be awarded based on the second game.

h. If the point system results in a tie, the following procedures will be used in sequence to break the tie.

   1. If either team has defeated the other in regular season play, the winner shall be rated above the loser in the standings. If three or more teams are tied and not equally affected by this procedure, criteria two through six are to be utilized.

   2. The team with the most bonus points accumulated.

   3. The team with the smallest score difference in losses among common opponents.

   4. The team with the fewest average points allowed for its entire schedule.

   5. The team whose defeated opponents have the highest point average.

   6. If the above procedures do not break the tie, it shall be broken by the flip of a coin.

i. Should a team discontinue play during the course of the season, all opponents shall receive points as would have been awarded for a victory over the team. A school shall not receive points for a team scheduled in place of the withdrawing team after the season has begun.

B. Seeding Information

   1. The tournament will be officially seeded on Sunday, November 3 by the State Football Committee. After the first two rounds of regional play, the tournament will be reseeded into State Quarterfinals based on the MPSSAA point system in regular season play to seed the remaining teams.

   2. It is critical that all teams complete their schedules by November 2nd because the point system affects both playoff and non-playoff teams.

   3. Regular-season forfeits by non-tournament team(s) that would affect the point standing of eligible team(s) must be officially confirmed in writing before the completion of the seeding meeting.

   4. Prior to Noon Monday, November 4, a region contestant will be replaced by the team from said region with the next highest point average, and the region re-seeded, under the following conditions:

      a. A team that elects to withdraw or is disqualified.

      b. A correction of an error which causes a recalculation of points.

   5. The deadline for changes in the order of seeding shall be Noon, Monday, November 4. Any withdrawal or disqualification after noon will result in a forfeit.

III. REGION AND STATE TOURNAMENT

A. Tournament Organization

   1. The MPSSAA State Football Championship Tournament will consist of five rounds following the conclusion of a 9-game regular season. The first two rounds will consist of regional contests, evolving into eight State Quarterfinalists.
2. In subsequent rounds, if a team withdraws or is withdrawn from the tournament for any reason, the team last defeated shall replace the withdrawing team.

3. All games that end in a tie shall use the National Federation tiebreaker to determine the winner.

4. Criteria for game sites: All region and state contests, except the state finals, shall be played on the home field of the higher-seeded team provided it meets the criteria below. When a school cannot meet the criteria for a game site, the State Football Committee may designate another site in that region.
   a. Adequate seating and rest room facilities.
   b. A safe and playable turf.
   c. A working scoreboard.
   d. Host schools shall contact visitors and officials regarding accommodations for sufficient, accessible and shower-equipped dressing rooms.

5. The HOME TEAM (higher seed) will wear the DARK JERSEY. The AWAY TEAM will wear the WHITE JERSEY.

6. Upon arrival for a game, each team will be assigned a team dressing room. Assigned personnel will be on duty in the dressing room at all times.

7. Friday games will begin at 7 p.m. Saturday games will begin at either 1 p.m. or 7 p.m.

8. Should a game be postponed for extreme weather conditions, it will be rescheduled. Friday games will be moved to Saturday; Saturday games will be moved to Monday. When a schedule/or site change is necessary, the region tournament director, in consultation with both schools, will establish the best schedule, site, and game combination to expedite the tournament in that particular region. When conflicts occur, the Supervisors of Athletics for the competing schools will make the final decision.

9. The athletic director, facility manager, or other administratively-appointed member of the host school will serve as Game Director. The responsibilities for all the region games and the State Quarterfinal and Semifinal games are as follows:
   a. Clear with the Game Manager on matters of policy and/or interpretation.
   b. Hire and supervise all personnel necessary for game administration.
   c. Establish a team gate separate from the spectator gate.
   d. Introduce the official medical personnel to both coaching staffs (Refer to Page 4, Section V).
   e. Issue press box passes by the space available. Occupants could be team spotters, announcers, photographers, and representatives of the press and radio stations.

10. The official ball of the MPSSAA State Tournament is the Wilson WTF 1003 GST. A game ball will go to each team participating in the State Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Finals. The State Football Committee is requiring the use of a Wilson Ball with the NFHS authenticating mark during all state tournament contests (QF, SF, Finals).

B. General Policies

1. Admission to contests
   a. Admission will be by paid admission, MPSSAA complimentary tickets, and MPSSAA complimentary passes. There are no refunds on purchased tickets.

   (1) Individuals 7 years of age and older will be charged admission.
(2) Complimentary tickets will be issued by the game manager to representatives of the working media assigned to the contest.

(3) Complimentary passes will be issued to school coaches, administrators, Supervisors of athletics, and Superintendents of schools. The pass will admit the bearer only and is not transferable. A valid driver’s license must be displayed with the pass for proper identification.

b. Sideline passes will be issued to coaches, medical personnel, and managers. Only those persons with sideline passes will be permitted on the sideline.

c. A maximum of 20 cheerleaders from each of the participating schools will be admitted free of charge only if they are in complete uniform and accompanied by a coach.

2. The public address system will be staffed by and under the direction of the host school.

3. Public address comments must be in good taste according to broadcast protocol. Comments not in good taste, nonprofessional, favor one team, or inflammatory, are not permitted.

4. Raffles, 50/50 drawings, or any other games of chance may not be conducted in connection with any MPSSAA playoff contest.

5. Bands

a. A participating school’s band may provide musical entertainment. The game director must be notified 48 hours in advance of the scheduled game if a participating school band to provide a band for the game. The band must be in full uniform, accompanied by the band director, and prepared to perform.

b. The designated band will take the field five minutes prior to the start of the game to play the National Anthem only.

c. During a 20-minute halftime intermission, the visiting team’s band shall take the field for seven minutes, followed by the home team’s band, which shall also be limited to seven minutes. Both bands should clear the field five minutes prior to the second-half kickoff. Should only one band or no bands participate, the halftime shall be 15 minutes. In any case, the field will be cleared five minutes prior to the second-half kickoff.

6. Only fixed signs and banners of a positive nature will be allowed at playoff games.

7. Game concessions for region games and state semifinals shall be awarded to the host school. In return, the host school shall be responsible for postgame cleanup.

### III. REGION TOURNAMENT

#### A. Tournament organization

1. The first round of the regions will be structured as follows:

   - No. 1 vs. No. 8 Seed
   - No. 2 vs. No. 7 Seed
   - No. 4 vs. No. 5 Seed
   - No. 3 vs. No. 6 Seed

2. The winners of the first round shall advance to the second round as follows:

   a. The winner in each classification and region of the No. 1 versus No. 8 seeded game will play the winner of the No. 4 versus No. 5 seeded game.

   b. The winner in each classification and region of the No. 2 versus No. 7 seeded game will play the winner of the No. 3 versus No. 6 seeded game.
c. A re-seed for the State Quarterfinals will occur once the first two region rounds have been determined.

2. Responsibilities of the region football director (listing found on page 30 of this bulletin):
   a. Contact the athletic directors of the eight schools participating in the region tournament to confirm date, site, and time of the contests and clarify arrangements for inclement weather.
   b. Call the commissioner of the local football officials' board to arrange for six field officials and one clock operator. Chain crews may come from the local board if available in region round 1. Three chain crew officials will be assigned in region round 2.
   c. Distribute and collect tickets, paperwork, and monies (in check form) for regional second round.

3. The MPSSAA will provide two leather game balls for the regional second round. A game ball will go to each of the participating teams.

4. A TEAM ENTRY FORM utilized for State Semifinals and Finals must be filled out by teams winning their regional second round game. Instructions on filling out the TEAM ENTRY FORM is available on mpssaa.org.

5. Individuals 7 years of age or older will be charged an admission of $6.

IV. STATE TOURNAMENT

A. State Quarterfinals
   1. The eight remaining teams (two from each region) from each classification shall advance to a State Quarterfinal round.
   2. The eight regional teams will be seeded 1-8 based on their regular season point average used to seed each region. Ties among teams in the State Quarterfinals will be broken utilizing the criteria found in Section II. A. 2. h. found on page 25.
   3. Unless a specific alternate plan has been approved, all State Quarterfinal games will be played at the site of the higher seed.
   4. A six-man crew, a three-man chain crew, and a timekeeper from the association local to the higher seeded team will be assigned to the State Quarterfinal contest.
   5. A plaque and certificates will be awarded to each of the winning State Quarterfinalist teams.
   6. Each team winning the State Quarterfinals will complete the Media Form (found on the Football page of mpssaa.org), scan it, and email it to Jill Masterman (jill.masterman@maryland.gov) in the MPSSAA office by 3 PM, Monday, November 19th.

B. State Semifinals
   1. The winners of the State Quarterfinal round shall advance to the State Semifinals.
      a. The winner in each classification of the No. 1 versus No. 8 seeded game will play the winner of the No. 4 versus No. 5 seeded game.
      b. The winner in each classification of the No. 2 versus No. 7 seeded game will play the winner of the No. 3 versus No. 6 seeded game.

2. The Head Coach of each State Semifinalist team is invited to participate in a luncheon and walk-through of Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium tentatively set for Tuesday, November 26th at 10:30 a.m.
3. Unless a specific alternate plan has been approved, all State Semifinal games will be played at the site of the higher seed.

4. A six-man crew, a three-man chain crew, and a timekeeper will be assigned by the MPSSAA office to the State Semifinal contests.

C. State Championships

1. The winners of the State Semifinal round shall advance to the State Championships.

2. The State Finals are scheduled for December 5-7, 2019 in Annapolis at the Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium. Directions and fan information are posted on the MPSSAA web site <mpssaa.org> in the State Tournament “Fan Focus”.

3. A six-man crew, a three-man chain crew, and a timekeeper will be assigned by the MPSSAA office to the State Final contests.

C. General Policies

1. The State Football Committee will determine the schedule for all contests.

2. Persons 7 years of age and older will be charged admission as follows:
   a. Quarterfinals - $6.00
   b. Semifinals — $8.00
   c. Finals — $10.00

3. The MPSSAA will provide two leather balls for each of the quarterfinal, semifinal and final games. A game ball will go to each of the participating teams.

4. MPSSAA will provide souvenir roster cards for the state semifinals and finals. Home teams may provide programs for the state quarterfinal games.

5. Officials will be assigned through the MPSSAA office.

6. A room will be provided for the officials assigned to each state game which will serve as a dressing room and waiting room.

7. A plaque will be presented to each team at the end of the championship game. Individual awards will be given to the coach following each final game and should be presented to team members at an appropriate school function.

   Class 4A teams — 55 awards
   Class 2A teams — 50 awards
   Class 3A teams — 50 awards
   Class 1A teams — 50 awards

8. The MPSSAA will receive all revenues and pay all expenses.

PROJECTED MPSSAA FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT DATES

2020 - December 3-5      2021 - December 2-4      2022 - December 1-3
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### 2019 Alignment for Football

#### Class 4A-West
- 1. Urbana
- 2. Bethesda-Chevy Chase
- 3. Winston Churchill
- 4. Clarksburg
- 5. Gaithersburg
- 6. Walter Johnson
- 7. Richard Montgomery
- 8. Northwest
- 9. Quince Orchard
- 10. Walt Whitman
- 11. Thomas S. Wootton

#### Class 4A-North
- 1. Catonsville
- 2. Dulaney
- 3. Parkville
- 4. Perry Hall
- 5. Montgomery Blair
- 6. Albert Einstein
- 7. John F. Kennedy
- 8. Northwood
- 9. Paint Branch
- 10. Sherwood
- 11. Springbrook
- 12. Wheaton

#### Class 4A-South
- 1. Bladensburg
- 2. Bowie
- 3. DuVal
- 4. Charles H. Flowers
- 5. High Point
- 6. Laurel
- 7. Northwestern
- 8. Parkdale
- 9. Eleanor Roosevelt
- 10. Suitsland
- 11. Dr. Henry A. Wise, Jr.

#### Class 4A-East
- 1. Annapolis
- 2. Arundel
- 3. Broadneck
- 4. Glen Burnie
- 5. Meade
- 6. North County
- 7. Old Mill
- 8. Severna Park
- 9. South River
- 10. Howard
- 11. Leonardtown

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#### Class 3A-West
- 1. Frederick
- 2. Gov. Thomas Johnson
- 3. Linganore
- 4. Tuscarora
- 5. James Hubert Blake
- 6. Damascus
- 7. Col. Zadok Magruder
- 8. Rockville
- 9. Watkins Mill
- 10. North Hagerstown
- 11. South Hagerstown

#### Class 3A-North
- 1. Dundalk
- 2. Franklin
- 3. Kenwood
- 4. Patapsco
- 5. Towson
- 6. Woodlawn
- 7. Baltimore City College
- 8. Baltimore Polytechnic
- 9. Mergenthaler Vo-Tech
- 10. Aberdeen
- 11. Bel Air
- 12. Edgewood
- 13. C. Milton Wright

#### Class 3A-South
- 1. Chesapeake
- 2. Northeast
- 3. Huntingtown
- 4. Northern
- 5. North Point
- 6. St. Charles
- 7. Oxon Hill
- 8. Chopticon
- 9. Great Mills
- 10. James M. Bennett
- 11. Berne
- 12. Woodland

#### Class 3A-East
- 1. Manchester Valley
- 2. Westminster
- 3. Atholton
- 4. Centennial
- 5. Hammond
- 6. Long Reach
- 7. Marriotts Ridge
- 8. Mt. Hebron
- 9. Reservoir
- 10. River Hill
- 11. Wilde Lake

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#### Class 2A-West
- 1. Century
- 2. Liberty
- 3. South Carroll
- 4. Winters Mill
- 5. Glenelg
- 6. Oakland Mills
- 7. Middletown
- 8. Oakdale
- 9. Walkersville
- 10. Poolesville
- 11. Seneca Valley

#### Class 2A-North
- 1. Chesapeake
- 2. Eastern Technical
- 3. Hereford
- 4. Lansdowne
- 5. Milford Mill Academy
- 6. New Town
- 7. Overlea
- 8. Owings Mills
- 9. Sparrows Point
- 10. Digital Harbor
- 11. Patterson
- 12. Southern

#### Class 2A-South
- 1. Southern
- 2. Calvert
- 3. Patuxent
- 4. La Plata
- 5. Henry E. Lackey
- 6. Thomas Stone
- 7. Westlake
- 8. Crossland
- 9. Frederick Douglass
- 10. Potomac
- 11. Caroline
- 12. Upper St. Clair

#### Class 2A-East
- 1. Elkton
- 2. North East
- 3. Rising Sun
- 4. North Caroline
- 5. Harford Technical
- 6. North Harford
- 7. Kent Island
- 8. Queen Anne’s
- 9. Easton
- 10. Parkside
- 11. Wicomico
- 12. Stephen Decatur

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#### Class 1A-West
- 1. Allegany
- 2. Fort Hill
- 3. Mountain Ridge
- 4. Brunswick
- 5. Catoctin
- 6. Northern
- 7. Southern
- 8. Boonsboro
- 9. Clear Spring
- 10. Hancock
- 11. Smithsburg
- 12. Williamsport

#### Class 1A-North
- 1. Carver Vo-Tech
- 2. Frederick Douglass
- 3. Paul Laurence Dunbar
- 4. Edmondson/Westside
- 5. Forest Park
- 6. Benjamin Franklin
- 7. Lake Clifton
- 8. Reginald Lewis
- 10. New Era Academy
- 11. Francis Scott Key
- 12. Burraston

#### Class 1A-South
- 1. Loch Raven
- 2. Pikesville
- 3. Randallstown
- 4. Western STES
- 5. Maurice J. McDonough
- 6. Central
- 7. Fairmont Heights
- 8. Friendly
- 9. Gwyn Park
- 10. Largo
- 11. Surrattsville
- 12. Snow Hill

#### Class 1A-East
- 1. Bohemia Manor
- 2. Perryville
- 3. Colonel Richardson
- 4. Cambridge-SD
- 5. Fallston
- 6. Havre de Grace
- 7. Joppstowne
- 8. Patterson Mill
- 9. Kent County
- 10. Washington
- 11. Snow Hill
- 12. Stephen Decatur

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**FOOTBALL**

**3A-West**

**3A-North**

**3A-South**

**3A-East**

**2A-West**

**2A-North**

**2A-South**

**2A-East**

**1A-West**

**1A-North**

**1A-South**

**1A-East**

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Coaches Responsibilities:
1. Knowing and following all AACPS policies, procedures, rules and regulations as described throughout the AACPS Athletic Handbook.
2. Knowing and following the sport bulletins of the specific sport.
3. Knowing and following the “Bylaws” and “Rules and Interpretation” sections of the MPSSAA handbook.
4. Following the procedures in the MPSSAA tournament bulletins for his/her specific sport.
5. Following rules described in the appropriate rule book applicable to that sport.

Contact Information:
1. Questions should be directed to the local school athletic directors.
2. Then you should contact the district sport representative, Phelps Prescott (410-903-6152) pprescott@aacps.org Phone number should not be given to parents.

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2019-20 Important Athletic/Academic Dates and Restrictions:

August
- Monday, August 12th - 4:00 pm - Fall Coaches Meeting, South River High School
- Wednesday, August 14th - First day of tryouts
- Monday, August 19th - Mandatory Rules Clinic at Old Mill High School 3pm
- Tuesday, August 20th - First scrimmage day
- Saturday, August 24th - SAT testing- No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Thursday, August 23rd - Thursday, August 30th - With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours. No double session practices during teacher work hours.

September
- Wednesday, September 4th - Academic Probation Begins
- Friday, September 6th - First play date
- Saturday, September 7th - ACT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Wednesday, September 25th - Academic Probation ends
- Monday, September 30th - Rosh Hashanah - All schools closed- No practices or contests
October
- Saturday, October 5th - SAT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Tuesday, October 8th - Professional Development for teachers - Two-hour early dismissal for all students, No athletics after sundown - Yom Kippur
- Wednesday, October 9th – Yom Kippur - All schools closed - No practices or contests
- Tuesday, October 15th - School closed for students. P/T Conferences With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Saturday, October 26th - ACT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm

November
- Saturday, November 2nd - SAT testing - No mandatory practices or contests before 2pm
- Thursday, November 7th - Friday, November 8th - End of 1st MP 2hr early dismissal. With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Wednesday, November 20th - Check Ineligibility Lists

Contests:
- 12 matches with not more than three matches per week unless weather becomes an issue.

County Championship and Awards:
- Wednesday, September 25th, 8:00am Crofton Country Club
- Qualifying average: Must be below... Boys- 55 Girls-58 (Minimum 5 matches played)
- 15 Medals for 1st – 10th place boys and 1st - 5th for girls.
- 15 medals for the team county champions.
- County Championship plaque for team/coach

Rule Changes:

Non-Varsity Contests:
- County Championship
- Friday, October 4th
- 12pm Shotgun at Bay Hills

Playoffs:
- http://www.mpssaa.org/state-championships/golf/
District Tournament Information:
- Schools that have golfers that score under the minimum qualifying score (Boys-100) (Girls-105) in the County Championship will qualify for the District Tournament
- Districts will count the LOW FOUR towards the team score. If the fifth player (the individual with the highest score) qualifies, he/she may participate in the state tournament on an individual basis only
- Teams may consist of five players
- Schools without teams may enter individuals in District play
- Schools with a team may enter additional female participants in District play
- Districts – Tuesday, October 8th at Crofton Country Club (Rain Date –TBD)
- October 16th - District tournament completion date
- October 16th - State Golf Tournament entry form due
- October 17th - Organization meeting for state tournament

State Tournament Information:
- University of Maryland at College Park
- October 22nd - 4A/3A Semifinals
- October 23rd - 2A/1A Semifinals
- October 24th - Finals
I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. The Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association is the official governing body for the Golf tournament. Plans for the tournament were formulated by the State Golf Committee and approved by the Board of Control.

B. Schools choosing to enter the tournament have the responsibility for reading and adhering to the rules and regulations stated in the front section of this publication as well as those appearing within this Golf Bulletin. Unless specifically stated, all rules and regulations stipulated in the USGA Rule Book will be followed.

C. Eligibility rules for all participants are defined in MPSSAA Bylaw .02, found in the current MPSSAA Handbook.

D. General regulations for all state tournaments are contained in MPSSAA Bylaw .07, found in both the current Handbook and in the front section of this publication.

E. The State Golf Committee has approved the use of non-motorized pushcarts by players to carry their golf bags at all levels of play within the State.

II. DISTRICT AND STATE TOURNAMENTS

A. Tournament Organization

1. Schools may enter one team into district play that is comprised of five individuals (male or female).

2. Schools without teams may enter individuals in district play as individual participants.

3. Schools with a team may enter additional female participants in district play.

4. Girls are subject to the same rules as boys, with the exception of playing from women’s tees in district and state play.

5. The entry for district and state competition must be signed by the coach, athletic director, and the school principal or the entry will be denied.

B. Playing Rules

1. The state tournament will be divided into two classifications: 4A/3A and 2A/1A.

2. Teams for the district tournament may consist of five players.

   a. Districts will count the LOW FOUR towards the team score. The LOW FOUR will constitute the team at the state tournament.

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b. If the fifth player (the individual with the highest score) qualifies, he/she may participate in the state tournament on an individual basis only.

3. Each entrant will play 18 holes of stroke play.
   
a. All district tournaments shall be played at the distances shown on their course scorecards.
   
b. Course rating for boys is from the middle or white tees.
   
c. Course rating for girls is from the red or women’s tees.

4. Ties for the last individual qualifying place in the district tournament will be determined with a playoff starting from the course designated hole and playing complete holes until the tie is broken. If extenuating circumstances prevent the culmination of said playoff, the USGA recommended tie-breakers will be used starting with 9, 6, 3, 1.

C. Determining district championships and qualifying for the state tournament.

1. Individual advancement to the state tournament (all criteria below must be met for advancement).
   
a. Individuals must shoot a qualifying score determined by the following formula:

   “Course rating +X strokes = qualifying score for that course”

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b. All districts’ course ratings will be used in the equation. The adjustment factor, “X”, will be determined by the state committee and distributed to all district representatives. The state committee determines the “X” factor based on the USGA course ratings of all district courses to provide equity for advancement based on the district course.

c. Individuals who shoot the qualifying score are not guaranteed advancement to the state tournament. Individuals must also be in the top one-eighth (1/8) of the remaining players after subtracting participants who advanced with their teams. (Refer to page 39 of this bulletin for further details.)

d. District chairpersons may submit six additional qualifying alternates in numerical order.

2. Team advancement to the state tournament.
   
a. The four-player team in the 4A/3A and 2A/1A with the lowest aggregate score for 72 holes shall be the district champion.
b. In addition to the top 4A/3A and 2A/1A team finisher, any team shooting a qualifying score at their dis-
trict course as determined by an aggregate score of four times the “X” factor plus four strokes will advance
to the state tournament. When a female is included in the low four scores, the female “X” factor will be
used to determine the aggregate score for team advancement.

D. General Policies

1. District tournament directors will be responsible for the assignment of duties. It is highly recommended
that the representatives from schools at the district tournament be assigned as scorers or marshals.

2. In order to accommodate all players, the State Committee may adjust the district alignment when the
committee determines an overcrowding of district participants.

III. STATE TOURNAMENT

A. Tournament Organization

1. The 2019 State Tournament will be held at the University of Maryland golf course. State Semifinal
rounds will take place Monday, October 28th and Tuesday, October 29th. Qualifiers from the Semi-
final rounds will compete in the Finals on Wednesday, October 30th.

2. The competition will be held over 36-holes, weather permitting.

   a. TEAMS: Teams qualifying will compete in a one-day 18-hole semifinal round.

      i. On Monday, October 28th the Class 4A/3A qualifying teams will compete.

      ii. On Tuesday, October 29th, the Class 2A/1A qualifying teams will compete.

   b. INDIVIDUALS: Individuals qualifying will compete in a one-day 18-hole Semifinal round. In order
to manage the size of the field and the pace of play for each day of the Semifinals, the State Com-
mittee may assign individuals to either day of Semifinals.

      i. Individuals, whose school has qualified as a team, will compete on the same day their school
team competes.

      ii. The committee will attempt to schedule as many individuals as possible on the same day their
school’s classification competes.

   c. Teams and individuals qualifying from the Semifinal rounds will return on Wednesday, October
30th, for State Final play. Overall results will be based on cumulative scores from the Semifinals
and Finals.

3. There will be a meeting of the State Golf Committee on Wednesday, October 23rd, at 10 a.m. at the
University of Maryland Golf Course. District chairpersons should complete the electronic form pro-
vided by the State Committee Director.

4. Directions for State Tournament

   From route 495 (Capital Beltway): Exit Route 1 South to Md. Route 193 (University Blvd). Proceed West
for two miles to golf course entrance on right.

5. Each district shall provide the following personnel who will be assigned by the State Golf Committee
as scorers or marshals.

   a. Coaches or an approved school representative in lieu of the coach will assist in tournament man-
agement.

   b. On Wednesday, October 30th, all coaches or the approved school representatives in lieu of a coach
with remaining athletes will assist in tournament management.
6. The Tournament Director will assign competitors on the basis of schools represented and scores reported on the entry blank. Players from the same school will not play together.

7. Tournament play will begin with a ‘shotgun’ start at **9:00 a.m.** each day.
   
a. Coaches or school-designated representatives (representatives must present on school letterhead a document stating their designation as the school representative and it must be signed by the athletic director or school principal) are responsible for signing in all participants at least 30 minutes before starting time.

b. Coaches or school-designated representatives must remain onsite the duration of the tournament for general supervision and in the event of student-athlete injury or emergency.

c. Time should be allowed for traffic, etc. Players and coaches/school representatives who fail to report before the starting time will be scratched.

d. The head coach must be onsite and help with general supervision or tournament management as directed. If the head coach is not onsite, an assistant coach or school designated representative must be available. **Redesignating or refusing to complete assigned duties without prior approval of the State Golf Committee is subject to “misconduct detrimental to the tournament” and its’ penalties as found in the MPSSAA Handbook.**

e. Timeframe: * Please account for traffic in your travel plans.*
   
   ** Driving Range opens at daybreak.**
     8:00 a.m. ......................... Coaches Sign In
     8:15 a.m. ......................... Coaches Meeting
     8:25 a.m. ......................... Range Closes
     8:30 a.m. ......................... Players Meeting
     9:00 a.m. ......................... ‘Shotgun’ Start

8. Method used to determine champions

   a. The four-member team in each classification (4A/3A and 2A/1A) with the lowest aggregate score for 144 holes shall be declared the state team champions.

   b. The individual boys and girls in each classification (4A/3A and 2A/1A) with the lowest aggregate score for 36 holes shall be declared the state individual champions.

9. Designated alternates are eligible to participate in team competition if a team withdraws any of their team competitors from the tournament and the substitute played as the fifth team-member in the district tournament.

B. General Policies

1. Advancement standards for qualifying from semifinals to finals:

   a. TEAMS: The top forty percent of teams (up to 40%) from each semifinal will advance to the finals with at least three teams guaranteed to advance. All teams who tie the cutoff score will advance.

   b. INDIVIDUALS: The top forty percent of individual male and female competitors will advance to the finals. All individuals who tie the cutoff score will advance to the finals. There will be one male cut score and one female cut score announced at the conclusion of each semifinal round for all individuals.

2. Within each classification (4A/3A and 2A/1A), each of the top two teams will receive a plaque. Awards will be presented to the top individual **male and female finishers in each classification.**

   a. Ties for first place will be resolved by playoff, starting on the course designated hole and continuing until the tie is broken. All other individual ties will stand.
b. In case of a tie for first team honors, the teams involved start from the course designated hole and continue on until the tie is broken.

3. The number of individual awards may be reduced in the proportion to the number of participants in district and state play.

4. All equipment, including golf balls, shall be furnished by the competing teams or individuals.

C. Playing Rules

1. The regular green fee is expected for all practice rounds. No free practice rounds will be permitted on the course prior to the tournament.
   a. Only a limited number are available on the weekend prior to the tournament.
   b. Coaches are reminded of MPSSAA regulations prohibiting Sunday practice and may not accompany players to Sunday practice rounds.

2. Coaches are responsible for reviewing the rules of stroke play with their players.

3. The use of the middle or white tees for males and forward or red tees for females will apply in the tournament. Summer rules will be in effect if warranted by course conditions.

4. An official scorer will accompany each foursome to assist play and carry the official score card.
   a. Golfers are expected to keep their own score and should verify it as a whole group with the scorer after each hole.
   b. Official scorers and golfers must enter the designated “Scoring Area” to verify and sign their official scorecards after each round. All questions regarding the round shall be addressed PRIOR to the golfers leaving the designated scoring area. Official scorers shall also deliver the signed scorecards to the Match Director in the designated “Scoring Area” and sign-out that it was delivered. Failure of a player to verify, sign, and submit a scorecard shall be considered “conduct detrimental to the tournament”.
   c. Any unsportsmanlike action directed at these officials, such as abusive language, may result in disqualification from tournament play.

5. Local rules of the host club shall be observed implicitly. An official school representative from each competing school shall be responsible for such compliance by members of his/her group. The tournament director may delegate the responsibility to rule on technical questions arising from play to some other person; however, should there be any reservations on a ruling that was made some time after a questionable problem or development, the situation may only be resolved through action of the tournament committee as designated by the tournament director.

6. Closing of the course due to inclement weather
   a. In the event a Semifinal on Monday OR Tuesday is postponed, the postponed Semifinal will be contested on October 30th. Based on the availability of the University of Maryland golf course, a possible second 18-hole final could be completed on a date to be determined.
   b. In case both Monday AND Tuesday Semifinals are postponed, an alternate plan will be developed by the State Golf Committee.

7. The MPSSAA State Golf Committee has adopted the following policies prior to, during, and after each day of the state tournament in the interest of the integrity of the game, sportsmanship, and safety.
   a. Participating players are prohibited from using tobacco products during the tournament.
   b. All players must wear appropriate nonmetal cleated shoes and may not play barefooted.
c. All players must wear appropriate golf attire.

d. The use of a caddie or motorized golf cart is not permitted. Non-motorized pushcarts will NOT be available to rent at the state tournament.

e. Spectators are restricted to the cart path and must remain off all fairways and greens.

f. Coaches, parents, students, and/or spectators are prohibited from providing direct or indirect advice to players, scorers, and tournament officials throughout the tournament. Failure to comply may result in player disqualification and/or restricting the offending spectator to the clubhouse.

g. Pace of Play - The MPSSAA State Golf Committee reserves the right to time a group whenever the Committee deems the group to be out of position. Players should also be aware that under USGA Rule 5.6, the Committee may assess a penalty to a player in a group which is out of position if that player makes no effort to help the player's group get back into position, e.g., such as when a player unduly delays play between shots.

h. Distance measuring devices are allowed and permitted to be shared with other competitors.

Portable electronic devices are permitted to be used ONLY as distance measuring devices.

8. Any violation of aforementioned actions by participants, coaches, and spectators may result in warnings, penalties, and/or disqualification upon determination of the tournament committee as designated by the tournament director.

**PROJECTED MPSSAA GOLF TOURNAMENT DATES**

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**DISTRICT 1**
1. Westminster Car
2. Frederick Fre
3. Gov. Thomas Johnson Fre
4. Tuscarora Fre
5. Urbana Fre
6. North Hagerstown Was
7. South Hagerstown Was

**DISTRICT 2**
1. Bethesda-Chevy Chase Mtg
2. Montgomery Blair Mtg
3. James Hubert Blake Mtg
4. Winston Churchill Mtg
5. Clarksburg Mtg
6. Albert Einstein Mtg
7. Gaithersburg Mtg
8. Walter Johnson Mtg
9. John F. Kennedy Mtg
10. Col. Zadok Magruder Mtg
11. Richard Montgomery Mtg
12. Northwest Mtg
13. Northwood Mtg
14. Paint Branch Mtg
15. Quince Orchard Mtg
16. Rockville Mtg
17. Sherwood Mtg
18. Springbrook Mtg
19. Walt Whitman Mtg
20. Watkins Mill Mtg
21. Wheaton Mtg
22. Thomas S. Wootton Mtg

**DISTRICT 3**
1. Bladensburg PG
2. Bowie PG
3. DuVal PG
4. Charles H. Flowers PG
5. High Point PG
6. Laurel PG
7. Northwestern PG
8. Oxon Hill PG
9. Parkdale PG
10. Eleanor Roosevelt PG
11. Suitland PG
12. Dr. Henry A Wise, Jr. PG

**DISTRICT 4**
1. Huntingtown Cal
2. Northern Cal
3. North Point Cha
4. Chopticon StM
5. Great Mills StM
6. Leonardtown StM

**DISTRICT 5**
1. Annapolis AA
2. Arundel AA
3. Broadneck AA
4. Chesapeake AA
5. Glen Burnie AA
6. Meade AA
7. North County AA
8. Northeast AA
9. Old Mill AA
10. Severna Park AA
11. South River AA
12. Atholton How
13. Centennial How
14. Hammond How
15. Howard How
16. Long Reach How
17. Marriotts Ridge How
18. Mt. Hebron How
19. Reservoir How
20. River Hill How

**DISTRICT 6**
1. Catonsville B Co
2. Dulaney B Co
3. Dundalk B Co
4. Franklin B Co
5. Kenwood B Co
6. Parkville B Co
7. Patapsco B Co
8. Perry Hall B Co
9. Towson B Co
10. Woodlawn B Co

**DISTRICT 7**
1. Aberdeen Hfd
2. Bel Air Hfd
3. C. Milton Wright Hfd
4. Edgewood Hfd

**DISTRICT 8**
1. James M. Bennett Wic

### CLASS 2A-1A

**DISTRICT 1**
1. Allegany All
2. Fort Hill All
3. Mountain Ridge All
4. Century All
5. Francis Scott Key Car
6. Liberty All
7. Manchester Valley Car
8. South Carroll Car
9. Winters Mill Car
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4. Hereford B Co
5. Lansdowne B Co
6. Loch Raven B Co
7. Milford Mill Academy B Co
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9. Owings Mills B Co
10. Pikesville B Co
11. Sparrows Point B Co
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3. La Plata Cha
4. Henry E. Lackey Cha
5. Maurice J. McDonough Cha
6. St. Charles Cha
7. Thomas Stone Cha
8. Westlake Cha

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2. Southern AA
3. Glenelg How
4. Oakland Mills How
5. Wilde Lake How

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13. Stephen Decatur Wor
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4. Perryville Cec
5. Rising Sun Cec
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9. Patterson Mill Hfd

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**MPSSAA STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT QUALIFYING CHART**

The Chart below is used to determine the number that will qualify from individuals who are officially entered and participate in the District Tournament. **FIGURES ARE BASED ON THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS REMAINING AFTER SUBTRACTING PARTICIPANTS WHO ADVANCED WITH THEIR TEAMS.**

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* Individuals who shoot the qualifying score does not guarantee advancement to the state tournament. Individuals must also be in the top one-eighth (1/8) of the remaining players after subtracting participants who advanced with their teams. (Refer to page 33 of this bulletin for further details.)
DISTRICT GOLF TOURNAMENT - ENTRY FORM
(To determine the district golf champion and representatives to the State Tournament.)

INSTRUCTIONS: Prepare this form in duplicate. Type or print. File one copy with your district golf representative or tournament director by the tournament director’s established deadline. Consult your tournament director for other details and retain a copy of entries for your files.

SCHOOL ______________________________________________________________DISTRICT ______________________

DATE FORM IS FILED________________________________DATE OF DISTRICT TOURNAMENT ______________________

### LIST OF TEAM OR INDIVIDUAL ENTRIES
(Print last name, followed by first name.)

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I hereby submit the above-listed entries in the district golf tournament to the district golf director for consideration in ascertaining the district's representatives to the state tournament. I certify our acceptance of the general regulations governing the tournament and the individual eligibility of our representatives under current MPSSAA regulations.

COACH’S SIGNATURE ________________________________________________DATE ______________________

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR’S SIGNATURE ________________________________________________DATE ______________________

PRINCIPAL’S SIGNATURE ________________________________________________DATE ______________________

SCHOOL ____________________________________________ HEAD COACH __________________________________________

SCHOOL ADDRESS ____________________________________ HOME ADDRESS __________________________________________

SCHOOL PHONE ______________________________________ CELL PHONE __________________________________________
STATE GOLF TOURNAMENT - ENTRY FORM

INSTRUCTIONS: Please print all information requested legibly and retain a copy for yourself. Note qualifying limits as participation is limited to selected teams and individual players.

SCHOOL________________DISTRICT_______SCHOOL SYSTEM______________CLASSIFICATION________

DATE FORM IS FILED ______________________DATE OF STATE TOURNAMENT _________________

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ALTERNATES: Alternate must be the fifth player entered into the district tournament as part of the team.

5._________________________ | ______ | ______ | ______ | ______ |

Additional Qualifying Females: Please list qualifiers and use the back of the form if needed.

1._________________________ | ______ | ______ | ______ | ______ |
| 2._________________________ | ______ | ______ | ______ | ______ |

A DISTRICT MAY ONLY BE REPRESENTED BY THE TOP FINISHING TEAM IN EACH CLASSIFICATION, BY A TEAM THAT SHOOTS A QUALIFYING SCORE OR INDIVIDUALS WHO SHOOT A QUALIFYING SCORE AND RANK IN THE TOP 1/8 OF THEIR DISTRICT. PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BLANK:

_____Our team finished first in our classification at the district tournament with an aggregate score of 350 or less.

_____Our team shot the qualifying score at the district tournament.

_____Our school is entering individual golfers(s) who shot a qualifying score in the district tournament.

I hereby submit the above-listed entries in the district golf tournament to the state golf director. I certify our acceptance of the general regulations governing the tournament and attest to the individual eligibility of our representatives under current MPSSAA regulations.

COACH’S SIGNATURE __________________________________________DATE ____________________

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR’S SIGNATURE __________________________________________DATE ____________________

PRINCIPAL’S SIGNATURE __________________________________________DATE ____________________

HEAD COACH __________________________________SCHOOL PHONE __________________________________

CELL PHONE __________________________________EMAIL ADDRESS __________________________________

To comply with the MPSSAA Bulletin, the Head Coach must be onsite and help with general supervision or tournament management as directed. If the Head Coach is not onsite, an Assistant Coach or school designated representative must be available.

Head Coach/School Representative________________________ PHONE________________
Coaches Responsibilities:
1. Knowing and following all AACPS policies, procedures, rules and regulations as described throughout the AACPS Athletic Handbook.
2. Knowing and following the sport bulletins of the specific sport.
3. Knowing and following the “Bylaws” and “Rules and Interpretation” sections of the MPSSAA handbook.
4. Following the procedures in the MPSSAA tournament bulletins for his/her specific sport.
5. Following rules described in the appropriate rule book applicable to that sport.

Contact Information:
1. Questions should be directed to the local school athletic directors.
2. Then questions should be addressed to:
   Sport Commissioner Kim Collins, Chesapeake, kacollins@aacps.org, 443-928-9006
3. District V Representative/4A East Regional Tournament Director:
   Sean Tettemer (boys), Broadneck, stettemer@aacps.org, 410-292-9856,  
   Kim Collins (girls), Chesapeake, kacollins@aacps.org, 443-928-9006

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2019-20 Important Athletic/Academic Dates and Restrictions:

August
- Monday, August 12th - 3:00 pm - Fall Coaches Meeting, South River High School
- Wednesday August 14th - First day of tryouts
- Tuesday August 20th - First scrimmage day
- Saturday, August 24th - SAT testing- No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Thursday, August 22nd - Thursday, August 29th - With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours. No double session practices during teacher work hours.
September
- Wednesday, September 4th - Academic Probation Begins
- Friday September 6th - First play date
- Saturday, September 7th - Testing date - nothing mandatory before 2pm
- Wednesday, September 25th - Academic probation ends
- Monday, September 30th - Rosh Hashanah - All schools closed - No practices or contests

October
- Saturday, October 5th - SAT testing - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
- Tuesday, October 8th - Professional Development for teachers - Two-hour early dismissal for all students, No athletics after sundown - Yom Kippur
- Wednesday, October 9th - Yom Kippur - All schools closed - No practices or contests
- Tuesday, October 15th - School closed for students. P/T Conferences With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Saturday, October 26th - ACT Testing date - No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm

November
- Saturday, November 2nd - SAT testing - No mandatory practices or contests before 2pm
- Thursday, November 7th - Friday, November 8th - End of 1st MP 2hr early dismissal. With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Wednesday, November 20th - Check Ineligibility Lists

Contests:
- 12 contests (9-11 county games, possibility 1-3 out of county games) or 14 with designatedoptional 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 post season scrimmage (in between last game and first playoff game). No officials, no score keeping, and no bus transportation (no added costs).
County Championship and Awards:

- The top team from each county division will play for the County Championship (based on AACPS Handbook guidelines). The top team will be based only on games played against teams in that division. See divisions below:

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- Schedule for Monday October 21st Northeast HS
  - Boys Junior Varsity: 4pm
  - Girls Junior Varsity: 4pm
  - Girls Varsity: 5pm
  - Boys Varsity: 7pm

- If tied at the end of regulation, play two 10 minute golden goal overtime period and then penalty kicks

- JV County Championship criteria: A JV player is eligible to participate as long as they have not entered a regular season varsity contest (excluding tournaments – they may play in varsity tournaments).

- Awards:
  - Varsity: 25 medals for both participating teams (gold and silver); team and head coach plaques
  - JV: team plaque

Rule Changes:


JV Regular Season Contests:

- JV contests that end in a tie after regulation will end in a tie

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.
- http://www.mpssaa.org/state-championships/soccer/
Regional Tournament Information:
- October 19th: Last playable date for seeding
- October 21st: Tournament Seeding
- October 22nd: Last play date
- October 23rd: Region Quarterfinals
- October 25th/26th: Region Semifinals
- October 29th: Region Finals

State Tournament Information:
- November 1st/2nd: State Quarterfinals
- November 8th/9th: State Semifinals
- November 14th/15th/16th: State Finals
I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. The Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association is the official governing body for the Soccer tournament. Plans for the tournament were formulated by the State Soccer Committee and approved by the Board of Control.

B. Schools choosing to enter the tournament have the responsibility for reading and adhering to the rules and regulations stated in the front section of this publication as well as those appearing within this Soccer Bulletin. Unless specifically stated, all rules and regulations stipulated in the NFHS Soccer Rule Book will be followed.

C. Eligibility rules for all participants are defined in MPSSAA Bylaw .02, found in the current MPSSAA Handbook.

D. General regulations for all state tournaments are contained in MPSSAA Bylaw .07, found in both the current Handbook and in the front section of this publication.

E. During the regular season, a player disqualified under National Federation (NF) Rule 12-8-2 can be permitted to play in the next game, depending on the ejection policies of the local school system or conference. Starting with the first region contest and continuing throughout the tournament, a player who is disqualified under NFHS Rule 12-8 (Article 2, 3) shall be barred from participating in the team’s next game. For interpretation refer to Misconduct Detrimental to a Tournament, see Rule .07C(11) in the MPSSAA Handbook.

F. All region games must be played on the designated date shown below unless there is a facility conflict.

G. Games postponed during the regular season shall be made up on the first available date and in the order originally scheduled. Subsequent games shall not be moved. Local Supervisor(s) of Athletics shall be consulted and will make final decisions on postponed games.

H. Ties and suspended games (regular season)

1. A game ending in a tie shall be resolved by two (if necessary) sudden-victory overtime periods of 10 minutes each. The game shall end with the first overtime goal. If two overtime periods are played without a goal being scored, the game shall be declared a tie. A coin shall be flipped prior to the first overtime period. The coin flip procedure is the same as used to start a game. The interval between the second half and the first overtime period shall be five minutes. The interval between the first overtime period and a second overtime period (if necessary) shall be two minutes.

2. A game suspended prior to the completion of the first half shall be continued from the point of suspension (see NFHS Rule 7-1-3).


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3. A game suspended after the completion of the first half shall be considered an official game unless the local supervisor(s) gives permission to complete the game from the point of suspension.

II. REGION AND STATE TOURNAMENTS

A. Tournament Organization

1. Every team is automatically entered into the region tournament unless the MPSSAA office receives written notification to the contrary prior to the seeding meeting. Request for withdrawal shall be by letter, signed by the school principal.

2. A TEAM ENTRY FORM utilized for State Semifinals and Finals must be filled out by teams winning their Region Final. Instructions on filling out the TEAM ENTRY FORM are available on mpssaa.org.

3. Each region will conduct a single elimination tournament, with the champion advancing to state play.

4. Doubleheaders will be played where boys and girls matchups exist for both schools, unless the draw or facility prohibits it. For the 2019 tournament, the Girls game will be the early game. Each subsequent year, the order will be reversed.

5. A suspended tournament game shall be continued from the point of suspension unless the game is declared complete by mutual agreement between the two schools.

B. Playing Rules

1. The State Soccer Committee has adopted the National Federation recommendation that a player or coach disqualified from a region or state tournament game under NFHS Rule 12-8 (Articles 2, 3) shall be barred from participating in the team’s next game. For interpretation, refer to “Misconduct Detrimental to a Tournament”, Rule .07C(11) in the MPSSAA Handbook.

2. The overtime procedure for tournament progression is the same as used during the regular season (refer to the preceding section I.H.1). In the event the match remains tied after two sudden victory overtime periods, there will be a penalty kick tiebreaker to determine a winner. The following Penalty Kick Procedure shall be used.

   a. This procedure will be used for all region and state tournament contests.

   b. Organization mechanics: The designated home team or tournament committee, (if the game is being managed by the committee), shall:

      (1) supply sufficient ball persons to enable the procedure to operate efficiently.

      (2) be responsible for providing sufficient security for the penalty kick procedure so that it may be conducted without interference to those involved.

3. The officials will:

   a. gather all eligible field players in the center circle who completed the second overtime period.

   b. designate the goal at which the penalty kicks will be taken.

   c. choose three game balls for use.

   d. begin the penalty kick procedure after a three-minute intermission period. The following procedures shall apply:

      (1) A coin toss shall occur, with the visiting team calling the toss. The winner of the toss will have the choice of shooting first or defending first.
The penalty kick tiebreaker will initially be based on the performance of five kickers designated by the coach from each team. Coaches should identify one kicker at a time. Attempts shall be made in alternating order until one team has an insurmountable advantage.

(a) If the score is tied after the five designated players have taken their shots, then a sudden-victory round begins which includes the remaining eligible players for each team who were not part of the initial penalty kicking phase.

(b) If the score remains tied after the completion of (a) above, then the sudden-victory round continues with all eligible players from each team becoming eligible for a second shot. A coach may change the order from the initial round. No player can take a third shot until all eligible players from both teams have taken their second shot, and so on.

4. Coaches’ responsibilities:

a. Each coach shall be solely responsible for utilizing only eligible players as the team’s participants. Participation by an ineligible player will result in forfeiture of the game by the offending team. Ineligible participation would include, but not be limited to: a field player who was not in the game at the end of the second overtime or a shooter taking a second attempt in a cycle before all of the shooter’s eligible teammates have taken their first attempts in the same cycle.

b. Only the head coach and one assistant will be permitted to join the players in the center circle. Remaining players, coaches, and team attendants shall be completely off the field of play and in their team bench areas.

5. Kicking Procedure

a. Participants

(1) Only those players on the field at the end of the second 10-minute sudden-victory overtime period, including the goalkeeper, are eligible for the penalty kick tiebreaker.

(2) If the goalkeeper is injured during the penalty kicks and must be removed, the goalkeeper may be replaced by a substitute. This substitute may be selected from any players on the team. However, a goalkeeper, once substituted for, may NOT be reinstated. The substitute for the goalkeeper will take part in the penalty kicks. If a player already on the field replaces the goalkeeper, an additional kicker may be brought in from the bench, but cannot kick until all of the players from that team have kicked. This substitute must be the team’s final kicker in each cycle.

b. The eligible shooters for each team shall take scoring attempts in any sequence the head coach desires. The head coach shall direct each shooter to report to the official at the penalty kick stripe immediately after the completion of the previous shooter's attempt. A shooter may not be changed after reporting to the official. The shooting order need not be the same in the subsequent cycle.

c. The official shall record the player’s name, number, the order in the team’s cycle in which the attempt was made, and the result of the kick.

d. A goalkeeper who is to defend against the next penalty kick attempt shall be stationed outside the field of play at the intersection of the goal line and the penalty area boundary to the side designated by the officials.

e. If a player who is participating in the tiebreaker is issued a caution, then that player becomes the last player to kick in their next eligible round of kicks. For instance if a player has not kicked in the round of kicks in which the player is cautioned, then that player must be the last kicker in that round. If a cautioned player has already kicked in the round of kicks in which the player is cautioned, then the player may not kick again until the end of their next eligible round of 11 kicks.

f. If a goalkeeper is cautioned, then rule II.B.5.e. above applies. In addition the cautioned goalkeeper
may not defend the next opponent’s kick but may return to goal on the subsequent kick. The player replacing the goalkeeper in this situation must be from the players already participating in the tiebreaker.

g. Any player, including the goalkeeper, who is disqualified may not participate any further and may not be replaced. Any player disqualified who has not kicked in the cycle of 11 becomes the last kicker and the kick is considered a miss. The same applies to subsequent cycles of 11.

6. The game shall end and the team declared the winner which has:

   a. attained an insurmountable lead over its opponent before the initial phase of five penalty kickers is completed; or

   b. scored more goals than its opponent upon completion of the initial phase of five penalty kickers; or

   c. scored one more goal than its opponent at any point after each has taken an equal number of shots during the “sudden victory” phase of the penalty kick tiebreaker.

III. REGION TOURNAMENT

A. Tournament Organization

1. The region director is responsible for the assignment of officials and the notification of schools as to the tournament bracket, site, and starting times.

   a. The region director is responsible for the employment of local officials for region games plus qualified adults as scorers and timers. Two- or three-person crews will be used based upon the wishes of the local jurisdiction of the designated home team.

   b. The region director shall inform the State Committee Director and the MPSSAA Office of the schedule established for competition.

2. The seeding meeting for bracket positions (including the breaking of ties) will take place Monday, October 21 in the MPSSAA office via conference call with the state tournament chair. Tournament pairings will appear on the MPSSAA web site <mpssaa.org> the same day.

   a. Region directors will verify and submit the official records of all teams through October 19 to the respective state director by noon on October 20.

   b. All teams in each region will be seeded as determined by regular season winning percentage, excluding the one additional tournament and any city, county, or conference championship.

   c. Teams with less than nine varsity games played will be seeded based on a regular season winning percentage using a divisor of nine games.

   d. Ties among teams in a region will be first broken by head-to-head competition to determine the higher seed. This applies if all tied teams meet the criteria. If head-to-head does not break the tie, a coin toss will be used to determine the order of seeding.

   e. The higher-placed team is defined as one who occupies the lower-numbered line position (the favored position), on the bracket in any given round.

3. Unless a specific alternative plan has been approved, all teams in regional play will abide by the following guidelines.

   a. All region games will be played at the site of the higher seed throughout the tournament.

   b. When setting game times hosting sites must be mindful of other school activities and provide ap-
appropriate travel time for any schools with students taking the ACT on Saturday, October 26. Local Supervisors of Athletics shall be contacted and make the final decision when conflicts occur.

c. If circumstances render a home site unplayable and the game is scheduled at any alternate site, the designated home team will remain unchanged.

d. A site suitable for a regular season game may be unsuitable for a playoff game. Region directors should work with local supervisors to assure that region sites meet field and safety criteria.

4. Uniforms shall comply with current NFHS rules. The designated home team will wear the dark jersey and dark socks. The designated visiting team will wear solid white jersey and solid white socks.

5. The Soccer Committee will approve for use only those sites that meet the following field criteria:

   a. The field shall be a minimum size of 110 yds. x 55 yds.

   b. The field of play shall conform to current NF Rule 1-2, (Articles 1-11).

   c. It is the responsibility of the host school to provide and enforce crowd control measures.

   d. There must be a qualified game manager other than the participating coach.

6. When a school cannot meet the game site criteria above, the region director shall designate an alternative site, after consultation with the local supervisor(s) of athletics.

7. When a school cannot meet the NFHS uniform specifications, the region director in consultation with local supervisor(s) of athletics may assign the designation of home team (including site of contest) to the opposing school without change of tournament seeding.

8. Local MPSSAA districts will collect all revenue and pay all expenses. Site directors shall pay officials and required workers. When funds are not available, fees should be referred to the host district.

B. General Policies

1. Individuals 7 years of age and older will be charged an admission of $6.

2. Region champions will receive a team plaque and 25 individual certificates.

IV. STATE TOURNAMENT

A. State Quarterfinals

1. The region champions from each classification shall advance to a State Quarterfinal round.

2. The eight region champions will be seeded 1-8 based on their regular season winning percentage used to seed each region. Ties among teams in the State Quarterfinals will be first broken by head-to-head competition to determine the higher seed. This applies if all tied teams meet the criteria. If head-to-head does not break the tie, a coin toss will be used to determine the order of seeding.

3. Unless a specific alternate plan has been approved, all State Quarterfinal games will be played at the site of the higher seed.

4. Schools hosting a State Quarterfinal game may schedule the contest on Friday, November 1 or Saturday, November 2. When setting game times hosting sites must be mindful of other school activities and provide appropriate travel time for any schools with students taking the SAT on Saturday, November 2. Local Supervisors of Athletics shall be contacted and make the final decision when conflicts occur.

5. A three-person officiating crew from the association local to the higher seeded team will be assigned to the State Quarterfinal contest.
6. Local MPSSAA districts will collect all revenue and pay all expenses. Site directors shall pay officials and required workers. When funds are not available, fees should be referred to the host district.

B. State Semifinals

1. The winners of the State Quarterfinal round shall advance to the State Semifinals.
   a. The winners of the No. 1 versus No. 8 seeded game will play the winners of the No. 4 versus No. 5 seeded game.
   b. The winners of the No. 2 versus No. 7 seeded game will play the winners of the No. 3 versus No. 6 seeded game.

2. Both the Boys and the Girls Semifinals will be played at 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, and 7:30 p.m. on November 9th except Class 1A. Class 1A will play two games on November 8th at 5:00 and 7:30 p.m. and two games on November 9th at 12 and 2:30 p.m. Schedules and times will be set after teams have advanced out of the State Quarterfinals. Locations for each boys and girls classification are as follows:

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3. A three-person officiating crew will be assigned by the MPSSAA Office.

4. The Soccer Committee shall appoint a Game Manager for each Semifinal game. The Game Manager is responsible for the field preparation, finances, the safe conduct of the game, and should be in contact with both teams as to time, uniforms, and game procedures. The manager is responsible for tickets received, monies collected, monies paid out, and shall submit a financial report to the Association following the games.

C. State Championships

1. The winners of the State Semifinal round shall advance to the State Championships.

2. Both the Boys and the Girls Tournament Finals will be held at Loyola University’s Ridley Athletic Complex on November 14th-16th, with times and pairings to be determined. Check MPSSAA.org for the “Fan Focus” with details on directions and parking information.

3. For the Finals, two games will be played on Thursday, November 14th at 5:00 and 7:30 p.m. and two games will be played on Friday, November 15th at 5:00 and 7:30 p.m. Four games will be played on Saturday, November 16th at 12:00, 2:30, 5:00, and 7:30 p.m.

4. Member schools shall not schedule practice or scrimmage sessions at the site of the final championship games.

5. A three-person officiating crew will be assigned by the MPSSAA Office.

6. If a final game is tied at the end of the overtime periods, the penalty kick procedure will be used to determine a State Champion.

D. General Policies

1. Individuals 7 years of age and older will be charged the following admission:
   a. State Quarterfinals - $6.

c. State Finals - $10.

2. Region champions will complete the Media Information Form (found on the Soccer page of mpssaa.org) and bring the requested copies to the State Quarterfinals. This form shall be revised following each successful round and new requested copies brought to each game site through the State Final game.

3. The team champion in each classification will receive a plaque, 25 individual awards, and the game ball. The finalist team will receive a plaque, 25 individual awards, and a game ball.

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Email addresses for committee members and regional directors can be found on the Soccer page of mpsaa.org.
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Coaches Responsibilities:
1. Knowing and following all AACPS policies, procedures, rules and regulations as described throughout the AACPS Athletic Handbook.
2. Knowing and following the sport bulletins of the specific sport.
3. Knowing and following the “Bylaws” and “Rules and Interpretation” sections of the MPSSAA handbook.
4. Following the procedures in the MPSSAA tournament bulletins for his/her specific sport.
5. Following rules described in the appropriate rule book applicable to that sport.

Contact Information:
1. Questions should be directed to the local school athletic directors.
2. Then you should contact the Unified Tennis Sports Commissioner - Tim Stedman, Northeast High School, 410-271-5580, tstedman@aacps.org.
3. Special Olympics Regional Sports Director – Cara Maronek, 303-883-1173, cmaronek@somd.org
   Melissa Kelly 410-979-5830, mkelly@somd.org

Divisions: Not Applicable

2019-2020 Important Athletic/Academic Dates and Restrictions:

August
• Monday, August 12th - 4:00 pm - Fall Coaches Meeting, South River High School
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• Saturday, August 24th - SAT testing- No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
• Thursday, August 22nd - Thursday, August 29th - With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours. No double session practices during teacher work hours.
• Tuesday, August 27th - 4:30 pm – Unified Tennis Coaches Training, Northeast High School

September
• Wednesday, September 4th - Academic Probation Begins
• Friday, September 6th – First Play Day
• Saturday, September 7th - ACT testing- No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
• Tuesday – Thursday, Sept. 17 – 19th – player ratings (see schedule for locations)
• Friday, September 20th – Spec. Olympics Player Apps & Affirmations due to Commissioner.
• Wednesday, September 25th – Special Olympics Post Season Rosters due to Commissioner.
• Wednesday, September 25th - Academic Probation ends
• Wednesday, September 30th - Religious observance of Rosh Hashanah - No School and no practices or contests.

October
• Saturday, October 5th- SAT testing- No mandatory practice or contests before 2pm
• Tuesday, October 8th – 2 Hour Early Dismissal/ Teacher Workday.
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- Tuesday, October 8th - Professional Development for teachers-Two-hour early dismissal for all students, No athletics after sundown- Yom Kippur
- Wednesday, October 9th – Yom Kippur - All schools closed- No practices or contests
- **Monday, October 14th – Unified Tennis County Championships Day 1 at Annapolis HS.**
- Tuesday, October 15th - Professional Development for teachers- With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours.
- **Wednesday, October 16th – Unified Tennis County Championships Day 2 at Annapolis HS.**
- Tuesday, October 23rd - School closed for students. P/T Conferences With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
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**November**

- Saturday, November 2nd - SAT testing - No mandatory practices or contests before 2pm
- **Tuesday, November 5th – Unified Tennis State Championships at Loyola.**
- **Wednesday, November 6th – RAIN DATE Unified Tennis State Championships at Loyola.**
- Thursday, November 7th - Friday, November 8th - End of 1st MP 2hr early dismissal. With approval from the AD and principal, school teams with paid, non-AACPS employee coaches may practice during established teacher work hours
- Tuesday, November 19th - Check Ineligibility Lists

**Paperwork:**
- Pre-participation Physical Form
- Guide for Student Athletes & Parents
- Concussion Awareness
- Application for Special Olympics Maryland

**Definitions:**
- Athlete- A student athlete with a disability.
- Unified Partner- A student athletes without a disability.
- Non-declared member- A member on the team that has scored slightly higher than any athletes, or currently does not have a declared double partner on the roster.

**Team Makeup:**
- All players will be rated using USTA rating system a minimum of once at the beginning and once at the end of the season.
- All matches played will be doubles.
- Only individual match scores will be kept.
- Ideally, one student with disability (the athlete) and one student without a disability (unified partner).
- Coaches should take into consideration peer dynamics, gender, need of the students, and ability levels in making decision on partners.
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- Doubles partners must be paired within one rating point of each other on the USTA rating system.
- Eligibility-Spring tennis players that represented a high school in an official match are not eligible for this program. Other spring tennis players may join the unified team if their rating is within one rating point of their declared partners rating.

**Tennis Options:**
- Unified tennis provides three court options to accommodate a wide range of ability levels.
  - Service Box Tennis
    - Use just the service box of a regular court
  - Full Court Tennis
    - Regulation tennis court

**Scoring for Full and Service Box Tennis:**
- **Game** - the first team to reach four points wins the game.
  - No-Advantage scoring is a scoring method in which the first player to reach four points wins the game. No-Ad scoring eliminates the requirement that a player must win by two points. Therefore, if the game is tied at deuce or 3, the next player to win a point wins the game.
- **Set** - the first team to reach four games wins the set, provided a team wins by two.
  - Games tied at 4-4 will play a 7 point tiebreak.
- **Match** - consists of the best two out of three sets.
  - If a 3rd set is needed, the match will be decided by a tiebreak.
- **Tiebreak**
  - First team to 7 points
  - Must win by two points

**Coaches Training:** Tuesday, August 27th - 4:30 at Northeast HS.

Tuesday, September 17, 2019  3-5 pm Unified Tennis  **Playday/Rating**  at South River
Southern, South River, Annapolis, Broadneck, and Central Special

Tuesday, September 17, 2019  3-5 pm Unified Tennis  **Playday/Rating**  at North County
Chesapeake, Northeast, North County, and Glen Burnie

Thursday, September 19, 2019  3-5pm Unified Tennis  **Playday/Rating**  at Old Mill
Arundel, Meade, Old Mill, Severna Park and Ruth Eason

**County Championship and Awards:**
- Monday, October 14th and Tuesday, October 16th 3:30 pm at Annapolis High School
- Special Olympics will provide medals
- County Championship Plaque/Head Coach Plaque

**State Tournament Information:**
Special Olympics States - Tuesday, November 5, 2019 – Loyola.
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   Ray Bowen, Southern, rbowen@aacps.org, 443-995-5315
3. District V representative
   Ashley Yuscavage, Arundel High School, ayuscavage@aacps.org, 724-822-3662
4. 4A East Regional Tournament Director
   Mike Gimon, Chesapeake, mgimon@aacps.org, 443-469-5590

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- Wednesday, November 20th - Check Ineligibility Lists
Contests:
- 2 scrimmages (play dates are considered one scrimmage)
- 15 matches or 14 matches plus one multi-team tournament
- No more than two matches per week; three matches in one week may be scheduled twice during the season
- A team may elect to play tri-matches provided the total number of opponents does not exceed 15 during the season

County Championship and Awards:
- The top two teams from the regular season as defined by AACPS Athletic Handbook guidelines will play for the County Championship.
- Monday, October 28, 2019 at 5 and 7pm, Southern High School
- JV County Championship criteria: A JV player is eligible to participate as long as they have not entered a regular season varsity contest (excluding tournaments – they may play in varsity tournaments).
- Awards:
  - Varsity: 20 medals for both participating teams (gold and silver); team and head coach plaques
  - JV: team plaque

Rule Changes:

JV Contests:
- Best of three sets, no ties possible

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 Regional quarterfinal round are required to submit the tournament entry form and team photo.
- http://www.mpssaa.org/state-championships/volleyball/

Regional and State Tournament Information:
- October 26th Last play date for seeding
- October 28th Seeding Meeting
- October 30th Last play date
- October 31st Region Quarterfinals
- November 4th Region Semifinals
- November 6th Region Finals
- November 8th/9th State Quarterfinals
- November 11th-14th State Semifinals
- November 16th State Finals
I. GENERAL INFORMATION

A. The Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association is the official governing body for the Volleyball tournament. Plans for the tournament were formulated by the State Volleyball Committee and approved by the Board of Control.

B. Schools choosing to enter the tournament have the responsibility for reading and adhering to the rules and regulations stated in the front section of this publication as well as those appearing within this Volleyball Bulletin. Unless specifically stated, all rules and regulations stipulated in the NFHS Volleyball Rule Book will be followed.

C. Eligibility rules for all participants are defined in MPSSAA Bylaw .02, found in the current MPSSAA Handbook.

D. General regulations for all state tournaments are contained in MPSSAA Bylaw .07, found in both the current Handbook and in the front section of this publication.

E. As allowed in National Federation rule 1-7-1, note 1, by state adoption, schools may play a five-game match in which a team is considered the winner of the match when it wins three games.

F. Games postponed during the regular season shall be made up on the first available date and in the order originally scheduled. Subsequent games shall not be moved. Local supervisor(s) of athletics shall be consulted and will make final decisions on postponed games.

G. The Girls State Volleyball Committee is requiring the use of the Spalding VB5 three-panel colored ball with white, red and black solid panels and the NFHS authenticating mark during the region and state tournament. It is highly recommended the Spalding VB5 three-panel colored ball with white, red and black solid panels and the NFHS authenticating mark be used during the regular season.

II. REGION AND STATE TOURNAMENTS

A. Tournament Organization

1. Every school is automatically entered into the region tournament unless the MPSSAA office receives written notification to the contrary. Request for withdrawal shall be by letter, signed by the school principal. It is the responsibility of schools to work with region directors to accurately report schedules, results and records. (Refer to page 3, Section II, B of this Bulletin)

2. A TEAM ENTRY FORM utilized for State Semifinals and Finals must be filled out by teams winning their Region Final. Instructions on filling out the TEAM ENTRY FORM are available on mpssaa.org.

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B. Playing Rules

1. All games will be played under the current National Federation rules, with the addition of the official game ball being the Spalding VB5 three-panel colored ball with white, red and black solid panels and the NFHS authenticating mark.

2. Ball handling is permitted prior to the official warm-up. Use of 1/2 court only is permitted with no over-the-net play when both teams are present.

3. Official warm-ups shall consist of:
   a. Only the official team party’s uniformed members, managers, and coaches shall assist with warm-ups in any manner, including tossing, feeding, and retrieving volleyballs.
   b. 15 minutes of shared-court time (use of 1/2 court only, no over-the-net play).
   c. The use of the game net shall be six minutes for the Home Team first, followed by six minutes for the Visiting Team. Teams may use their six minutes in any way they want, including serving.

C. General Policies

1. The official representatives of a school team, as listed on the online team entry form (20 total - players, managers, and coaches), shall be admitted free at a designated entrance door. Each team will also be responsible for supplying two ball retrievers of high school age, who will be admitted free of charge and not included in the school’s allotted 20 representatives.

2. Each school should feel a responsibility for its athletes and team followers to exhibit good sportsmanship. For purposes of crowd control, the principal and school personnel should be alert to detect and correct or discipline any unsafe or unruly behavior. Refer to page 4, Section II.D, in the front section of this publication.
   a. Upon arrival, each school should identify its security person (administrator).
   b. Noisemakers and other distractions, i.e., sirens, whistles, horns, bells, etc., are prohibited.
   c. Balloons, large hats, mascots, etc. must not visually obstruct teams, officials, or spectators.
   d. Signs are permitted which display a positive support of the school. Derogatory or obscene signs will be confiscated. Signs may not be carried through the stands as a means of taunting other spectators. Principals and faculty members of participating schools are expected to enforce this regulation.

3. When local jurisdictions allow and can accommodate pep bands, 15 band members, accompanied by a faculty sponsor, will be admitted free. Pep bands will alternate playing time and, once a contest begins, will play only when time is out. Bands will coordinate their playing with the cheerleaders from their school.

4. A maximum of 20 cheerleaders from each of the participating schools will be admitted free of charge only if they are in complete uniform and accompanied by a coach. Cheerleaders should get together before the contest to work out arrangements for each school to cheer, unopposed by the other. Cheerleaders should use their megaphones only for addressing their own student body.

III. REGION TOURNAMENT

A. Tournament Organization

1. The region director (listing of directors found on page 55) is responsible for the assignment of officials and the notification of schools as to the tournament bracket, site, and starting times.
a. The region director shall employ local officials who service the designated home team, plus qualified individuals as scorers and linesmen.

b. The region director shall inform the state committee director and the MPSSAA of the schedule established for competition.

2. The tournament seeding meeting will take place Monday, October 28 in the MPSSAA office via conference call with the state tournament chair. Tournament pairings will appear on the MPSSAA web site <mpssaa.org> later that day.

a. Region directors will verify and submit to the state tournament chair by 9 a.m., October 27, the official records of all teams for regular season games played through October 26.

b. All teams in each region will be seeded as determined by regular season winning percentage, excluding the one additional tournament and any city, county, or conference championship.

c. Teams with less than 12 varsity games played will be seeded based on a regular season winning percentage using a divisor of 12 games.

d. Ties among teams in a region will be first broken by head-to-head competition to determine the higher seed. This applies if all tied teams meet the criteria. If head-to-head does not break the tie, a coin toss will be used to determine the order of seeding.

e. The higher-placed team is defined as one who occupies the lower-numbered position (the favored position), on the bracket in any given round.

3. Unless a specific alternative plan has been approved, all teams region play will abide by the following guidelines.

a. All region games will be played at the site of the higher seed throughout the tournament.

b. The Region Quarterfinals may be played on either Thursday, October 31st or Friday, November 1st. The higher-placed team will determine the date of the contest in consultation with the opposing school. Every effort should be made to avoid conflicts and local supervisors of athletics shall be consulted and make the final decision when conflicts occur.

c. If circumstances render a home site unplayable and the game is scheduled at any alternate site, the designated home team will remain unchanged.

d. Region contests will begin no earlier than 5 p.m. unless agreed upon by the two schools involved. Region directors MUST be notified of all starting times.

4. Local MPSSAA districts will collect all revenue and pay all expenses. Site directors shall pay officials and required workers. When funds are not available, fees should be referred to the host district.

B. General Policies

1. Individuals 7 years of age and older will be charged an admission of $6.

2. Teams will provide their own balls for warm-ups.

3. The host school will provide the official Spalding VB5 three-panel colored ball with white, red and black solid panels and the NFHS authenticating mark.

4. Team champions will receive a region plaque plus individual certificates.
IV. STATE TOURNAMENT

A. State Quarterfinals

1. The region champions from each classification shall advance to a State Quarterfinal round.

2. The eight region champions will be seeded 1-8 based on their regular season winning percentage used to seed each region. Ties among teams in the State Quarterfinals will be first broken by head-to-head competition to determine the higher seed. This applies if all tied teams meet the criteria. If head-to-head does not break the tie, a coin toss will be used to determine the order of seeding.

3. Unless a specific alternate plan has been approved, all State Quarterfinal games will be played at the site of the higher seed.

4. Schools hosting a State Quarterfinal game may schedule the contest on Friday, November 8 or Saturday, November 9. When setting game times hosting sites must be mindful of other school activities and provide appropriate travel time for any schools. Local Supervisors of Athletics shall be contacted and make the final decision when conflicts occur.

5. Officiating crews (R1, R2, and Line Judges) from the association local to the higher seeded team will be assigned to the State Quarterfinal contest.

6. An experienced Scorer and Libero Tracker shall also be assigned to the State Quarterfinal contest. In lieu of an experienced Scorer and Libero Tracker, the host school may request officials to serve in these roles.

7. Local MPSSAA districts will collect all revenue and pay all expenses. Site directors shall pay officials and required workers. When funds are not available, fees should be referred to the host district.

8. Admission charge for State Quarterfinals will be $6.00 for individuals 7 years of age and older.

B. State Semifinals and Finals

1. The winners of the State Quarterfinal round shall advance to the State Semifinals.

   a. The winner in each classification of the No. 1 versus No. 8 seeded game will play the winners of the No. 4 versus No. 5 seeded game.

   b. The winner in each classification of the No. 2 versus No. 7 seeded game will play the winners of the No. 3 versus No. 6 seeded game.

2. The State Semifinals will be held at Ritchie Coliseum on the campus of the University of Maryland.

3. Semifinals will be held November 11-14 at the University of Maryland College Park’s Ritchie Coliseum with two matches each night at 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
   (Class 1A-Nov. 11, Class 4A-Nov. 12, Class 2A-Nov. 13, Class 3A-Nov. 14).

4. The Championship Finals will be held at Ritchie Coliseum on Saturday, November 16 as follows:
   12:00 p.m. – Class 2A    2:30 p.m. – Class 4A    5:00 p.m. – Class 1A    7:30 p.m. – Class 3A.

5. The official representatives of a school (20 total - players, managers, and coaches) shall be admitted free at a designated entrance door after being identified by the coach. Each team will be responsible for supplying two ball retrievers of high school age, who will be admitted free of charge.

6. Directions to Ritchie Coliseum — University of Maryland College Park from I-95/I-495: Exit MD-1 South 2 miles to UMCP. Continue past Campus Drive. Parking is available at Visitor Center on right. Ritchie Coliseum is directly across Route 1 on left. (Map available at mpssaa.org)

7. There will be an admission charge of $10 for individuals 7 years of age and older. Presale tickets are also available online by going to www.mpssaa.org.
8. For additional information, consult the State Tournament “Fan Focus” on the MPSSAA web site <mpssaa.org>.

C. General Policies

1. Official game balls, practice balls and water for team benches will be provided by the MPSSAA.

2. Region Champions will complete the Media Information Form (found on the Volleyball page of mpssaa.org) and bring the requested copies to the State Quarterfinals. This form shall be revised following each successive round and new requested copies brought to each game site through the State Final match.

3. The team champion in each classification shall receive a trophy, 20 individual awards, and a game ball. The finalist team shall receive a trophy and 20 individual awards.

4. The State Volleyball Committee will recognize the school which displays the best overall sportsmanship while participating in the tournament with the Lesley W. Cooke Sportsmanship Award. Appointed judges will observe each school’s coaches, players, spectators, cheerleaders, and pep bands, rating them on a scale of 1-10. The award will be presented to the school achieving the highest average score.

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