

DISTRICT III BASEBALL TOURNAMENT
2012

**P.I.A.A.
DISTRICT III**

TO: All District III Principals and Athletic Directors

FROM: Patrick J. Tulley
Chairman, District III Baseball

DATE: March 13, 2012

RE: District III Baseball Tournament - 2012

Entry and participation in the District III playoffs, which qualifies teams for the State Tournament, is voluntary. Entry of a team into the District III Tournament signifies that the member school accepts the regulations and bracketing information that follow. Furthermore, a member school accepts that the baseball chairman reserves the right to make changes in the management and operation of the tournament if, in his judgment, it becomes necessary to do so.

Please note the District III Tournament will be seeded according to the approved District III Power Rating. The number of teams qualifying in each classification is as follows:

Class "A" - 10 teams – tournament will begin on **Friday May 18, 2012**

Class "AA" - 10 teams – tournament will begin on **Friday May 18, 2012**

Class "AAA" - 20 teams – tournament will begin on **Friday May 18, 2012**

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All games scheduled on Friday May 18, 2012 and Monday May 21, 2012 will be played at the higher seeds home field. Game times will be 4:30 PM. There will be no rental fee charged for the facility; however, District III will pay the cost of umpires and game help. The home team shall provide a minimum of six (6) new NFHS-approved game balls (Wilson A1010BPENN) to the umpire prior to the start of the game. Schools should make their best effort to sell tickets at each site (schools should use their own tickets for this purpose) to help off-set the cost of these games. If the higher seed's field is not available or doesn't meet PIAA or NFHS regulations, it is the responsibility of the host school to secure an acceptable facility and have the facility approved by the baseball chair.

Schools that desire to participate must forward the application form that is included in this packet. **The last playing date for games to count is Saturday May 12, 2012 and the application form must be received, no later than 5:00 pm on Saturday May 12, 2012** to the baseball chairman, Patrick Tulley, Governor Mifflin High School. **You must email to ptulley@gmsd.k12.pa.us.** In all classifications, a minimum of 10 games must be played against PIAA opponents.

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The only exception to the schedule of dates and playing times as per the attached bracketing information will be for conflicts with commencement exercises. If your team becomes part of the tournament, it will be your school's responsibility to notify the District baseball chairman promptly if a conflict exists. You may call the chairman at 610-775-9456 if you have additional questions pertaining to this year's tournament.

STATE QUALIFIERS

Three (3) AAAA teams from District III will enter the State Tournament.

Three (3) AAA teams from District III will enter the State Tournament.

One (1) AA team from District III will enter the State Tournament.

Two (2) A teams from District III will enter the State Tournament.

If, because of inclement weather, the tournament cannot be completed by the district deadline, co-champions will be declared and teams will be seeded into the state tournament on the basis of the approved District III power rating.

Best wishes for a successful baseball season.