Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association
District III M&T Bank Soccer Championships

2016

Conditions of Entry into District III Championship

Entry and participation in the 2016 PIAA District III Soccer Championships is voluntary. Entry of a team signifies that the member school accepts the conditions and provisions that are described below. Furthermore, a member school accepts the fact that the soccer chairman reserves the right to make changes in the management and operation of the championships if, in his judgment, it becomes necessary to do so.

General Instructions

The cutoff date for games to count in the power rankings is Thursday, October 20, 2016. Games played on that date will count. No League Playoff games count in the power rankings.

Girls’ Soccer

There will be four classes in girls’ soccer for 2016. Schools with a female enrollment of the following are:

172 or lower are 1A (8 team bracket from 18 eligible schools)
173-270 are 2A (10 team bracket from 21 eligible schools)
271-440 are 3A (16 team bracket from 33 eligible schools)
441 and above are 4A (16 team bracket from 30 eligible schools)

A minimum of 9 games must be played against PIAA opponents. Games against non PIAA opponents will not count. The teams will be seeded using the District III power ranking system.

Boys’ Soccer

There will be four classes in boys soccer for 2016. Schools with a female enrollment of the following are:

170 or lower are 1A (10 team bracket from 24 eligible schools)
171-282 are 2A (10 team bracket from 21 eligible schools)
283-467 are 3A (16 team bracket from 35 eligible schools)
468 and above are 4A (16 team bracket from 30 eligible schools)

A minimum of 9 games must be played against PIAA opponents. Games against non PIAA opponents will not count. The teams will be seeded using the District III power ranking system.

Teams that wish to enter the tournament must inform the Soccer Chairman via e-mail of their intention to participate in the tournament. An entry form is not required this year. If you have questions, concerns or problems, phone 717-737-6608 or 717-215-3136 (cell), or e-mail aisopi@aol.com.
Playing Dates

Monday, Oct. 24: First round for 1A Girls, 3A Girls, 1A Boys, 3A Boys
Tuesday, Oct. 25: First round for 2A Girls, 4A Girls, 2A Boys, 4A Boys
Wednesday, Oct. 26: Quarterfinals 1A Boys
Thursday, Oct. 27: Quarterfinals 3A Girls, 3A Boys; Semifinals 1A Girls
Saturday, Oct. 29: Quarterfinals 2A Girls, 4A Girls, 2A Boys, 4A Boys
Semifinals 1A Boys
Monday, Oct. 31: Semifinals 3A Boys, 3A Girls
Wednesday, Nov. 2: Championships 1A Girls, 1A Boys
Tuesday, Nov. 1: Semifinals 2A Girls, 4A Girls, 2A Boys, 4A Boys
Thursday, Nov. 3: Championships 3A Girls, 3A Boys
Saturday, Nov. 5: Championship 2A Girls and 4A Girls; 2A Boys and 4A Boys

We will attempt to play all games on the scheduled dates. In case of inclement weather, the game manager and soccer chairman will make the final decision to play or postpone the games.

School Conflict Statement

The District III Committee will alter established game times to avoid conflict with school graduation, baccalaureate, and State or Federal testing. For all other school conflicts such as dances, homecoming, banquets, et al, the District III Committee will only alter times if facilities and game workers are available and all schools involved mutually agree to the time adjustment.

Consolation Games

Third Place Games for 4A-Boys and 4A Girls will be played on Saturday, November 5, 2016. There will not be a Third Place Game in 3A-Girls or 3A Boys. The Third Place Team will be the team that loses to the eventual Champion.
State Tournament Entries

District III will send the following number of teams to States:

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The State Tournament Playing dates are November 8, 12, 15, 18, 19, 2016

Game Supervision/Pre-Game Meeting

The principal or designee MUST identify him/herself to the game manager on the field thirty(30) minutes prior to the start of the game and is required to participate in the pre-game meeting conducted by the game manager 10 minutes prior to game time. He/she must remain within the team or spectator area during the game, and report to the playing area after the game, remaining until the teams have left the playing area.

First Round Sites

All first round games will be played at the home of the better seeded teams. Teams that have a bye in the first round will host a game in the second round.

If a hosting site is not available, or the site cannot charge admission, or doesn’t meet regulations, the school is responsible to secure an acceptable site and notify the Soccer Chairman.

In subsequent rounds, we will attempt to play games at neutral sites that are available and geographically convenient for teams involved.

Final decisions will be the responsibility of the Soccer Chairman.

Afternoon games should begin at 4:00 and evening games at 7:00 pm. Game managers at hosting sites will be in contact with teams playing at their site to confirm details. There is no rental fee charged for the facility.

Officials and game help will be paid by the District.

Officials

District III is required to use the double dual system. There will be three (3) officials, each having a whistle and rotating positions each third of the game. Officials will be a neutral crew, all from the same chapter and assigned by the chapter assigner under the direction of the soccer chairman.
Mercy Rule

When one team gains a seven (7) goal differential over its opponent, the clock will continue to run after goals.

Tie Games

National Federation Soccer Rules will be used. In all District 3 playoff games, tie games will be decided by the following method:

1. Two (2) fifteen (15) minute “sudden victory” overtime periods
2. Penalty kicks

Home Team and Game Balls

Throughout the tournament the home team is the one appearing on the top half of the bracket, regardless of the seed. The home team will wear white uniforms.

It is the visiting team's responsibility to be in contact with the home team to make sure that the uniforms are different.

The home team will provide the game balls for the first round games.

District III will provide the game balls for subsequent rounds. Each school is responsible to provide two (2) ball persons to run the sidelines.

Lightning Policy

Proactive Planning

1. Assign staff to monitor local weather conditions before and during events.
2. Develop an evacuation plan, including identification of appropriate nearby shelters.
3. Develop criteria for suspension and resumption of play.
   a. When thunder is heard, or a cloud-to-ground lightning bolt is seen, the thunderstorm is close enough to strike your location with lightning. Suspend play and take shelter immediately.
   b. Thirty-minute rule. Once play has been suspended, wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder is heard or flash of lightning is witnessed prior to resuming play.
   c. Any subsequent thunder or lightning after the beginning of the 30-minute count, reset the clock and another 30-minute count should begin.
   d. No game should be restarted after 90 minutes past the scheduled ending time of the game. For a 7:00 PM game, 10:00 PM is the latest that a game may be restarted.
4. Hold periodic reviews for appropriate personnel.
Team Personnel and Cheerleaders

Twenty-eight (28) persons including players, coaches and other non-playing personnel will be admitted, as a group, without a ticket. Cheerleaders, in uniform, and accompanied by their advisor will be admitted free. Each school will receive five complimentary tickets. The form to be completed and returned to the Game Manager can be found on the District III web site.

Banners and Noise Makers

Hand-held signs are not permitted at District III events. Stationary banners and signs with sportsmanlike messages are permitted with the approval of the game manager.

Crowd Control

The principal, along with the game manager and event security, is responsible for crowd control as it pertains to members of his/her school and other spectators from his/her school community.

Ticket Prices

Ticket prices for all rounds of the tournament are $6 for adults and $4 for students. The only passes accepted are a white District III pass and a gold Lifetime District III pass.

Radio Fees

See the District III Website for details.
Schools Listed by League and Boys Enrollment

### 3A  283 - 467

**Bucks**
- Muhlenberg – 461
- Daniel Boone – 456
- Twin Valley – 431
- Fleetwood – 357
- Conrad Weiser – 333
- Hamburg – 305
- Berks Catholic – 290

**Lancaster-Lebanon**
- Garden Spot – 436
- Manheim Cent – 402
- Cocalico – 400
- Lampeter-Strasburg – 385
- Donegal – 364
- N. Lebanon – 299

**Mid-Penn**
- Lower Dauphin – 467
- Red Land – 444
- Hershey – 434
- Palmyra – 417
- Northern – 384
- Greensville/Antrim – 380
- Milton Hershey – 359
- Shippensburg – 353
- Big Spring – 347
- West Perry – 328
- East Pennsboro – 323
- Susquehanna Twp – 301
- James Buchanan – 300
- Bishop McDevitt – 291

### 2A  171 – 282

**Bucks**
- Wyomissing – 251
- Schuykill Valley – 236
- Oley Valley – 231
- Brandyswine Hghts – 184
- Tulpehocken – 172

**Lancaster-Lebanon**
- Elco – 282
- Lancaster Catholic – 221
- Pequea Valley – 208
- Lanc Mennonite – 205
- Anville-Cleona – 192

**Mid Penn**
- Middletown – 275
- Boiling Springs – 239
- Trinity – 192

**York**
- Eastern York – 282
- Bermudian – 250
- Littlestown – 248
- Biglerville – 223
- Hanover – 184
- Delone Catholic – 179

**Tri-Valley**
- Susquenita – 222
- Upper Dauphin – 173

**Total – 21**

### 1A  170 and below

**Bucks**
- Kutztown – 166
- Antietam – 127

**Lancaster-Lebanon**
- Lebanon Catholic – 30

**Mid Penn**
- Camp Hill – 160

**York**
- York Catholic – 165
- Fairfield – 129

**Tri-Valley**
- **Greenwood – 167**
- **Co-Op Newport**
- Halifax – 127
- Millersburg – 104
- Lanc. Cnry Day – 70

**Commonwealth-Christian**
- Lanc Co Chrstn – 61
- Chrstn Schl of York – 42
- WS Chrstn Acad – 41
- Hbg Christian – 37
- High Point – 37
- Conestoga Chrstn – 36
- Mt. Calvary Chrstn – 33
- Lititz Christian – 32
- DaySpring Chrstn – 24
- New Covenant – 22
- Hershey Chrstn – 19
- Covenant – Chrstn – 14

**Independent**
- Carson Long – 53
- Hbg Academy – 37

**Total -- 24**

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**4A  468 and above**

**Bucks**
- Reading – 1770
- Wilson – 795
- Governor Mifflin – 530
- Exeter – 496

**Lancaster-Lebanon**
- J.P McCaskey – 1040
- Hempfield – 906
- Manheim Township – 720
- Penn Manor – 663
- **Warwick – 587**
- **Co-Op Veritas**
- Conestoga Valley – 563
- Lebanon – 543
- Cedar Crest – 523
- Elizabethtown – 496
- Ephrata – 476
- Solanco – 476

**Mid-Penn**
- Cumberland Valley – 1021
- Chambersburg – 844
- Central Dauphin – 663
- Carlisle – 601
- CD East – 564
- Harrisburg – 530
- Cedar Cliff – 520
- Mechanicsburg – 472
- Waynesboro – 472

**York**
- Dallastown – 784
- Central York – 725
- Red Lion – 637
- New Oxford – 481
- Southwestern – 475

**Independent**
- York Country Day – 771*
- Co-Op York Vo Tech

**Total: --30**
### Schools Listed by League and Girls Enrollment

#### 4A – 441 and above

**Berk**
- Reading – 1593
- Wilson – 673
- **Exeter – 576**
- Governor Mifflin – 469
- Muhlenburg – 445
- Daniel Boone - 443

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- Wilson – 673
- **Exeter – 576**
- Governor Mifflin – 469
- Muhlenburg – 445
- Daniel Boone - 443

**Lancaster-Lebanon**
- J.P McCaskey -- 1138
- Hempfield -- 820
- Manheim Twp -- 643
- Penn Manor -- 635
- Cedar Crest -- 561
- Conestoga Valley -- 501
- Warwick -- 496
- Elizabethtown -- 473
- Ephrata -- 469
- Lebanon -- 452

**Mid-Penn**
- Cumberland Valley -- 992
- Chambersburg -- 805
- Central Dauphin -- 617
- Carlisle -- 593
- Waynesboro -- 502
- CD East -- 498
- Cedar Cliff -- 474
- Mechanicsburg -- 451

**York**
- Dallastown -- 709
- Central York -- 689
- Red Lion -- 548
- New Oxford -- 466
- Southwestern -- 446

**Independent**
- **York Country Day – 576**
- Co-Op York Vo Tech – 576

Total: --30

#### 3A 271 - 440

**Berk**
- Twin Valley – 435
- Conrad Weiser – 341
- Fleetwood - 325
- Berks Catholic -- 309

**Lancaster-Lebanon**
- Solanco – 432
- Cocalico – 399
- Garden Spot – 399
- Donegal – 366
- Lampeter-Strasburg – 362
- Manheim Central – 332
- Elco – 271

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- Red Land – 438
- Palmyra – 426
- Hershey – 423
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- Milton Hershey – 358
- Northern – 356
- Greencastle – 348
- Big Spring – 345
- Shippensburg – 337
- East Pennsboro –314
- James Buchanan – 314
- West Perry – 306
- Bishop McDevitt – 289
- Susquehanna Twp – 273

**York**
- Northeastern – 398
- Spring Grove – 379
- Dover – 371
- Susquehannock – 356
- Gettysburg – 352
- West York – 318
- York Suburban – 316
- Kennard Dale – 289

Total – 33

#### 2A 173 – 270

**Berk**
- Hamburg – 256
- Schuylkill Valley – 253
- Wyomissing – 251
- Oley Valley – 203
- Brandywine Hgts – 386
- Kutztown – 183

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- Northern Lebanon – 265
- Lancaster Catholic – 258
- Lanc Mennonite – 219
- Pequea Valley – 200
- Anville-Cleona – 180

**Mid Penn**
- Boiling Springs – 242
- Trinity – 215
- Middletown - 210

**Commonwealth-Christian**
- WS Chrstn Acad – 50
- Lanc. Cnty Christian – 49
- Christian Schl of York – 39
- High Point – 35
- Mt. Calvary Chrstn – 30
- Hbg. Christian – 31
- Covenant Christian – 20

**Independent**
- Linden Hall – 90
- Hbg Academy – 33

Total - 18

#### 1A 172 and below

**Berk**
- Tulpehocken – 169

**Lancaster-Lebanon**
- Lebanon Catholic – 46

**Mid Penn**
- Camp Hill – 138

**York**
- York Catholic – 163
- Fairfield – 147

**Tri-Valley**
- Upper Dauphin – 131
- Millersburg – 95
- Lancaster Cntry Day – 91
- Halifax – 86

Total – 21