



## Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association 2017-2018 District III M&T Bank Soccer Championships

### Conditions of Entry into District III Championship

Entry and participation in the 2017 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 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 19, 2017**. 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 2017. 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 2017. Schools with a male 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](mailto:aisopi@aol.com).





### Playing Dates

<b>Monday, Oct. 23:</b>	First round for 1A Girls, 3A Girls, 1A Boys, 3A Boys
<b>Tuesday, Oct. 24:</b>	First round for 2A Girls, 4A Girls, 2A Boys, 4A Boys
<b>Wednesday, Oct. 25:</b>	Quarterfinals 1A Boys
<b>Thursday, Oct. 26:</b>	Quarterfinals 3A Girls, 3A Boys; Semifinals 1A Girls
<b>Saturday, Oct. 28:</b>	Quarterfinals 2A Girls, 4A Girls, 2A Boys, 4A Boys Semifinals 1A Boys
<b>Monday, Oct. 30:</b>	Semifinals 3A Boys, 3A Girls
<b>Wednesday, Nov. 1:</b>	<b><i>Championships 1A Girls, 1A Boys</i></b>
<b>Tuesday, Oct. 31:</b>	Semifinals 2A Girls, 4A Girls, 2A Boys, 4A Boys
<b>Thursday, Nov. 2:</b>	<b><i>Championships 3A Girls, 3A Boys</i></b>
<b>Saturday, Nov. 4:</b>	<b><i>Championship 2A Girls and 4A Girls; 2A Boys and 4A Boys</i></b>

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.*

### Consolation Games

Third Place Games for 4A-Boys and 4A Girls will be played on Saturday, November 4, 2017. 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:

1A-Girls	2	1A-Boys	2
2A-Girls	2	2A-Boys	2
3A-Girls	4	3A-Boys	4
4A Girls	3	4A Boys	3

The State Tournament Playing dates are November 7, 11, 14, 17, 18, 2017

### 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 higher 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 III 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

4A: 468 and above	3A: 283-467	2A: 171-282	1A: 170 and below
<b>Berks</b> Reading - 1770 Wilson – 795 Governor Mifflin – 530 Exeter – 496	<b>Berks</b> Muhlenberg – 461 Daniel Boone – 456 Twin Valley – 431 Fleetwood – 357 Conrad Weiser – 333 Hamburg – 305 Berks Catholic – 290	<b>Berks</b> Wyomissing – 251 Schuylkill Valley – 236 Oley Valley – 231 Brandywine Heights – 184 Tulpehocken - 172	<b>Berks</b> Kutztown – 166 Antietam – 127
<b>Lancaster-Lebanon</b> JP McCaskey – 1040 Hempfield – 906 Manheim Twp – 720 Penn Manor – 587 Warwick – 587 **Co-Op with Veritas Conestoga Valley - 563 Lebanon – 543 Cedar Crest – 523 Elizabethtown – 496 Ephrata – 476 Solanco – 476	<b>Lancaster-Lebanon</b> Garden Spot – 436 Manheim Central – 402 Cocalico – 400 Lampeter-Strasburg – 385 Donegal – 364 Northern Lebanon – 299	<b>Lancaster-Lebanon</b> ELCO – 282 Lancaster Catholic – 221 Pequea Valley – 208 Lancaster Mennonite - 205 Annville-Cleona – 192	<b>Lancaster-Lebanon</b> Lebanon Catholic - 30
<b>Mid-Penn</b> Cumberland Valley - 1021 Chambersburg – 844 Central Dauphin – 663 Carlisle – 601  CD East – 564 Harrisburg – 530 Cedar Cliff – 520 Mechanicsburg – 472 Waynesboro – 472	<b>Mid-Penn</b> Lower Dauphin – 467 Red Land – 444 Hershey – 434 Palmyra – 417 Northern – 384 Greencastle-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	<b>Mid-Penn</b> Middletown – 275 Boiling Springs – 239 Trinity - 192	<b>Mid-Penn</b> Camp Hill – 160
<b>York</b> Dallastown – 784 Central York – 725 Red Lion – 637 New Oxford – 481 Southwestern – 475	<b>York</b> Northeastern – 430 Spring Grove – 423 Dover – 398 Gettysburg – 378 Susquehannock – 352	<b>York</b> Eastern York – 282 Bermudian Springs – 250 Littlestown – 248 Biglerville – 223 Hanover – 184  Delone Catholic - 179	<b>York</b> York Catholic – 165 Fairfield - 129
<b>Independent</b> York Country Day - 771 **Co-Op with York Vo Tech	<b>Independent</b> West York – 336 York Suburban – 332 Kennard Dale – 301	<b>York</b> Eastern York – 282 Bermudian Springs – 250 Littlestown – 248 Biglerville – 223 Hanover – 184  Delone Catholic - 179	<b>York</b> York Catholic – 165 Fairfield - 129
<b>Total 4A Schools: 30</b>		<b>Total 2A Schools: 21</b>	<b>Total 1A Schools: 24</b>

**Total 3A Schools: 35**





## Schools Listed by League and Girls Enrollment

4A: 441 and above	3A: 271-440	2A: 173-270	1A: 172 and below
<b>Berks</b> Reading – 1593 Wilson – 673 **Exeter – 576 **Co-Op with Antietam Governor Mifflin – 469 Muhlenburg – 445 Daniel Boone – 443	<b>Berks</b> Twin Valley – 435 Conrad Weiser – 341 Fleetwood – 325 Berks Catholic – 309	<b>Berks</b> Hamburg – 256 Schuylkill Valley – 253 Wyomissing – 251 Oley Valley – 203 Brandywine Heights - 186 Kutztown - 183	<b>Berks</b> Tulpehocken – 169
<b>Lancaster-Lebanon</b> JP McCaskey – 1138 Hempfield – 820 Manheim Twp – 643 Penn Manor – 635 Cedar Crest – 561 Conestoga Valley – 501 Warwick – 496 Elizabethtown – 473 Ephrata – 469 Lebanon - 452	<b>Lancaster-Lebanon</b> Solanco – 432 Cocalico – 399 Garden Spot – 399 Donegal – 366 Lampeter-Strasburg – 362 Manheim Central – 332 ELCO – 271	<b>Lancaster-Lebanon</b> Northern Lebanon – 265 Lancaster Catholic - 258 Lancaster Mennonite - 219 Pequea Valley – 200 Annville-Cleona – 180	<b>Lancaster-Lebanon</b> Lebanon Catholic - 46
<b>Mid-Penn</b> Cumberland Valley – 992 Chambersburg – 805 Central Dauphin – 617 Carlisle – 593 Waynesboro – 502 CD East – 498 Cedar Cliff – 474 Mechanicsburg – 451	<b>Mid-Penn</b> Red Land – 438 Palmyra – 426 Hershey – 423 Lower Dauphin – 413 Milton Hershey – 358	<b>Mid-Penn</b> Boiling Springs – 242 Trinity – 215 Middletown – 210	<b>Mid-Penn</b> Camp Hill – 138
<b>York</b> Dallastown – 709 Central York – 689 Red Lion – 548 New Oxford – 466 South Western - 446	<b>York</b> Northeastern – 398 Spring Grove – 379 Dover – 371 Susquehannock – 356 Gettysburg – 352 West York – 318	<b>York</b> Eastern York – 240 Bermudian Springs – 238 Littlestown – 237 Hanover – 194 Biglerville – 179 Delone Catholic – 177	<b>York</b> York Catholic – 163 Fairfield – 147
<b>Independent</b> **York Country Day – 576 **Co-Op with York Vo Tech	York Suburban – 316 Kennard Dale - 289	<b>Tri-Valley</b> **Susquenita – 245 *Co-Op with Newport	<b>Tri-Valley</b> Upper Dauphin – 131 Millersburg – 95 Lancaster Country Day – 91 Halifax - 86
			<b>Commonwealth Christian</b> West Shore Christian Academy - 50 Lancaster County Christian - 49 Christian School of York - 39 High Point – 35 Mt. Calvary Christian - 30 Harrisburg Christian – 31 Covenant Christian – 20
			<b>Independent</b> Linden Hall - 90 Harrisburg Academy – 33
<b>Total 4A Schools: 30</b>	<b>Total 3A Schools: 33</b>	<b>Total 2A Schools: 21</b>	<b>Total 1A Schools: 18</b>

