



**Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association
District III M&T Bank Soccer Championships
2019-2020**

Conditions of Entry into District III Championship

Entry and participation in the 2019-2020 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 17, 2019**. 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 2019. Schools with a female enrollment of the following are:

- 165 or lower are Class 1A (10 team bracket from 21 eligible schools)**
- 166-269 are Class 2A (10 team bracket from 23 eligible schools)**
- 270-438 are 3A (16 team bracket from 31 eligible schools)**
- 439 and above are Class 4A (16 team bracket from 31 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 2019. Schools with a male enrollment of the following are:

- 163 or lower are Class 1A (10 team bracket from 24 eligible schools)**
- 164-270 are Class 2A (10 team bracket from 20 eligible schools)**
- 271-454 are Class 3A (16 team bracket from 35 eligible schools)**
- 455 and above are Class 4A (16 team bracket from 33 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 no later than Thursday, October 17, 2019. **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. 21:** First round for 1A Girls, 3A Girls, 1A Boys, 3A Boys
- Tuesday, Oct. 22:** First round for 2A Girls, 4A Girls, 2A Boys, 4A Boys
- Wednesday, Oct. 23:** Quarterfinals 1A Boys; 1A Girls
- Thursday, Oct. 24:** Quarterfinals 3A Girls, 3A Boys;
- Saturday, Oct. 26:** Quarterfinals 2A Girls, 4A Girls, 2A Boys, 4A Boys
Semifinals 1A Boys; 1A Girls

- Monday, Oct. 28:** Semifinals 3A Boys, 3A Girls
- Tuesday, Oct. 29:** Semifinals 2A Girls, 4A Girls, 2A Boys, 4A Boys
- Wednesday, Oct. 30:** *Championships 1A Girls, 1A Boys*
- Thursday, Oct. 31:** *Championships 3A Girls, 3A Boys*
- Saturday, Nov. 2:** *Championship 2A Girls and 4A Girls; 2A Boys and 4A Boys*
All PIAA qualifier games (see note below)

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.

Consolation Games

Third Place Games for 1A Boys and 3A Boys and 3A Girls and 4A Girls will be played on Saturday, November 2, 2019. There will not be a Third Place Game in 4A Boys. The Third Place Team will be the team that loses to the eventual Champion. All consolation games will be played at the home of the better seeded team.

School Conflict Statement

The District III Committee will alter established game times to avoid conflict with school graduation, baccalaureate, and State or Federal testing.

State Tournament Entries

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

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

The State Tournament Playing dates are November 5, 9, 12, 15, 16, 2019





Game Supervision / Pre-Game Meeting

The principal or designee **MUST** identify himself / 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

Game Sites

Games in the first round, quarterfinals, semifinals, and consolations will be played at the home of the better seeded team. (New this year).

All finals will be played at Hersheypark Stadium.

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.

All semifinal games must be played on turf. If the home team does not have a turf field, they must secure an acceptable site in consultation with 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 six (6) 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 higher seeded team. The home team will wear **DARK** 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 and second round games.

District III will provide the game balls for semi-finals, finals and consolations. 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 blue District III pass and a gold Lifetime District III pass.

Radio Fees

See the District III Website for details.

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Schools Listed by League and Boys Enrollment

4A (455 and above)

Berks

Reading – 1813
Wilson – 801
Governor Mifflin – 538
Exeter – 500
Muhlenberg – 458
Daniel Boone – 448

Lancaster-Lebanon

**J.P McCaskey – 1102
*(**Co-Op The New School of Lancaster)*
Hempfield -- 847
Manheim Township -- 725
Lebanon – 581
Cedar Crest -- 569
Penn Manor -- 644
**Warwick -- 547
*(**Co-Op Veritas)*
Conestoga Valley -- 542
Elizabethtown – 479
Ephrata -- 470

Mid-Penn

Cumberland Valley – 1004
Chambersburg -- 831
Harrisburg -- 670
CD East – 596
Central Dauphin -- 675
Carlisle -- 591
Waynesboro – 524
Cedar Cliff – 489
Palmyra -- 465

York-Adams

Central York – 725
Dallastown -- 714
Red Lion – 602
Southwestern – 485
Northeastern – 468
New Oxford – 460
William Penn -- 458

Independent

**York Country Day – 781*
*(**Co-Op York Vo Tech)*

Total: --33

3A (271 – 454)

Berks

Twin Valley – 407
Conrad Weiser – 340
Berks Catholic -- 282
Hamburg – 275

Lancaster-Lebanon

Solanco -- 430
Garden Spot – 428
Manheim Cent – 414
Cocalico – 389
Lampeter-Strasburg – 378
Donegal – 332
Octorara -- 296
ELCO -- 280
Northern Lebanon – 272

Mid-Penn

Mechanicsburg -- 454
Hershey – 440
Lower Dauphin – 427
Red Land – 427
Shippensburg – 407
Northern – 398
Milton Hershey – 367
Greencastle-Antrim – 343
Big Spring – 342
Susquehanna Twp – 299
East Pennsboro – 294
Bishop McDevitt – 290
**West Perry – 282
*(**Co-Op Heritage Chr Schl of West Perry)*
Boiling Springs 278

York-Adams

Dover – 424
Spring Grove – 412
Gettysburg – 379
York Suburban – 360
West York – 343
Susquehannock – 323
Kennard Dale – 298
Eastern York – 296

Total 35

2A (164 – 270)

Berks

Fleetwood – 370
Wyomissing – 256
Schuylkill Valley – 220
Oley Valley – 215
Brandywine Hgts – 184
Tulpehocken – 179

Lancaster-Lebanon

Lancaster Catholic - 216
**Pequea Valley – 196
*(**Co-Op Linville Hill Christian)*
Annville-Cleona – 194
Lanc Mennonite – 190

Mid Penn

James Buchanan – 267
Middletown – 266
Trinity – 178

York-Adams

Littlestown – 251
Bermudian – 238
Hanover – 210
Biglerville – 205

Tri-Valley

Susquenita – 193
**Greenwood – 166
*(**Co-Op Newport)*
Upper Dauphin – 164
**Halifax
*(**Co-Op Northern Dauphin Christian)*

Total – 20

1A (163 and below)

Berks

Kutztown – 159
Antietam – 108

Lancaster-Lebanon

Lebanon Catholic – 26

Mid Penn

Camp Hill – 155

York

York Catholic – 146
Delone Catholic -- 146
Fairfield – 124

Tri-Valley

Millersburg – 97
Halifax – 93
Lancaster Country Day – 83

Commonwealth-Christian

**Covenant Christian – 149
*(**Co-Op Steelton/Highspire)*
Conestoga Christian – 51
Lancaster Co Christian – 48
**Christian School of York – 43
*(**Co-Op Logos Academy)*
West Shore Christian Acad. – 43
High Point Baptist Academy – 39
Mount Calvary Christian – 39
Harrisburg Christian – 35
New Covenant Christian – 34
Dayspring Christian Acad. – 32
Lititz Christian – 26

Independent

Harrisburg Academy – 36

Total -- 24





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Wilson – 722

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*(**Coop Antietam)*

Governor Mifflin – 489

Muhlenburg – 449

Lancaster-Lebanon

**J.P McCaskey – 1083

*(**New School of Lancaster)*

Hempfield -- 808

Manheim Twp -- 594

Cedar Crest – 591

Penn Manor -- 576

Conestoga Valley -- 536

**Warwick – 528

*(**Co-Op Veritas)*

Lebanon – 509

Ephrata -- 482

Elizabethtown – 457

Mid-Penn

Cumberland Valley – 970

Chambersburg -- 827

Central Dauphin -- 640

Carlisle - 581

CD East – 554

Cedar Cliff – 476

Hershey – 455

Waynesboro – 448

York-Adams

Dallastown -- 743

Central York – 712

Red Lion – 574

William Penn – 461

Southwestern -- 445

Northeastern – 444

New Oxford – 439

Total – 30

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Greencastle – 350

East Pennsboro – 317

West Perry – 301

Susquehanna Twp – 282

Big Spring – 275

Bishop McDevitt – 272

York-Adams

Spring Grove – 426

Susquehannock – 387

Dover – 379

York Suburban – 348

Gettysburg – 343

West York – 326

Kennard Dale – 298

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Hamburg – 243

Wyomissing – 241

Schuylkill Valley – 222

Oley Valley – 215

Kutztown – 171

Tulpehocken -- 169

Lancaster-Lebanon

ELCO – 259

Northern Lebanon – 243

**Lancaster Cath – 252

*(**Co-op Janus School)*

Octorara – 238

**Pequea Valley – 212

*(**Co-Op Linville Hill Christian)*

Lancaster Mennonite – 193

Mid Penn

James Buchanan -- 269

Middletown - 237

Boiling Springs – 233

Trinity – 203

York

Eastern York – 264

Bermudian – 235

Littlestown – 229

Biglerville - 201

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Annville-Cleona – 157

Lebanon Catholic – 44

Mid Penn

Camp Hill – 148

York-Adams

Fairfield – 144

York Catholic – 142

Tri-Valley

Upper Dauphin – 127

Millersburg – 96

Lanc Country Day – 92

Halifax – 60

CCAC

West Shore Christian – 36

New Covenant -- 33

Lanc. Cnty Christian – 32

Mt. Calvary Christian – 31

Lancaster Mennonite

Hershey Campus - 31

High Point – 30

Hbg. Christian – 28

**Chr Schl of York – 21

*(**Co-Op Logos Academy)*

Independent

Linden Hall – 133

**Harrisburg Acad – 50

*(**Co-Op Covenant Christian Academy)*

Total - 2

