

PIAA DISTRICT IV-FIELD HOCKEY COMMITTEE

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DISTRICT IV FIELD HOCKEY

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SELINGROVE and SHIKELLAMY

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BENTON, BLOOMSBURG, CENTRAL COLUMBIA, DANVILLE, EAST JUNIATA,
LEWISBURG, LINE MOUNTAIN, MIDD-WEST, MIFFLINBURG, MILLVILLE,
MILTON, MUNCY, SOUTHERN COLUMBIA, WARRIOR RUN

*****SCORE REPORTING & ROSTERS:**

2020 District IV PIAA Field Hockey Schedule

First Practice Date	August 24, 2020	Maximum Contests	18
First Scrimmage Date	August 29 , 2020	Maximum Scrimmages	2
First Play Date	September 11 , 2020		

REGULAR SEASON

1. Varsity games may be played prior to the JV game if a JV game is scheduled.
2. Substitutions must be made according to the National Federation Rule Book.
3. The spectator/fan area should be on the opposite side of the team bench area where possible.
4. Duration of the game shall be a maximum of sixty (60) minutes played four 15-minute quarters. There will be no timeouts, because there will be a break after each quarter.
5. All regular season games ending in a tie will be subject to the following Overtime Procedures:
 - a. Prior to the overtime period there shall be a 5-minute intermission.
 - b. The home team captain calls the coin toss and the winner chooses choice of goal or to take possession of the ball.
 - c. Teams will be limited to 6 (six) field players and a goalkeeper.
 - d. If a player was disqualified (red card) during the regulation game, that team must play short throughout the overtime. If a player

- was suspended (yellow card) the team shall play short until the suspension time is completed.
- e. Only four players, three defenders and a goalie will be allowed behind the end line on a penalty corner.
 - f. The overtime will be **15** minutes **“SUDDEN VICTORY”**.
 - g. Regular season games tied after the 15 minute overtime period are **recorded as a tie**.
 - h. There will be no team time-outs, even if a team has unused time outs.
 - i. There will be unlimited substitutions.
 - j. A player who received a red card in regulation play may not play in overtime.
 - k. If a player receives a red card in overtime, the team will play short.
 - l. If a player receives a yellow card in overtime, the team will play short until the 5 minutes expire.
6. Misconduct by coaches or team personnel will be addressed by game officials according to their severity or the number of occurrences in a game. The penalty may vary from a warning (given and recorded) to awarding a penalty stroke, removing the coach from the field, or forfeiting the game.
7. Only PIAA Field Hockey officials may officiate.

DISTRICT IV PLAYOFF GAMES

District Preliminaries, Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Finals

Game Site

Preliminaries will be played on the home field of the team with the best record.

Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Finals site will be at Central Columbia or Selinsgrove High School Field Hockey Fields. The facilities manager (schools AD or PIAA designee) and a District IV game manager will run the contest(s).

District IV chair will assign all competitions and notify teams

Criteria used to determine sites are:

1. Maximum playing dimensions
 2. Quality of the playing surface
 3. Neutral Site
 4. Provision to charge admission
1. Only official PIAA varsity games will be considered for your record. An official game is one with a PIAA contract (or league scheduled), and officials.

2. The district playoff games shall be conducted in accordance with the PIAA rules and regulations governing interscholastic sports competition. The National Federation Field Hockey Rules are the official PIAA rules.
3. Teams that enter the playoffs agree to all the regulations established by the district field hockey committee. In addition, an administrator from each participating school must be present for each of their respective games.
4. The district committee will determine the game site; assign officials, and a game manager for each game of the quarterfinals, semi-finals, and final games.
5. The district playoffs will be open to the "A" and "AA" first and second place teams in the league.
6. District IV teams that played 10 or more games with a winning percentage of 50% or more are eligible for the playoffs.

Seeding

Teams will be seeded by the District IV Field Hockey Committee based on winning percentage.

- a. Highest percentage of points earned under the qualifying point system.
- b. If a tie occurs, and teams played each other, head to head competition will be used.
- c. If a tie still occurs, the team with the best TWWP will be used.
- d. If there are teams that did not qualify for playoffs according to the power rating calculation but have a record of 500 or higher will be used to fill the bracket.

Schools that anticipate participating in the 2020 Field Hockey playoffs should complete the attached form. Notification must be faxed by 12:00 (Noon) **Friday, October 16, 2020 Fax # 570-946-8210** of a school's intention to compete in the district competition. The following information must be sent to the District IV Field Hockey Chairman: **eligibility list of players and the enclosed record sheet for each team**. Please make every attempt to have your games completed by **October 24**. If necessary, scores of games that must be played on October 23, 2020, are to be called in to Patti Cross by noon on the 24th, 2020. Home phone number is **570-490-2281**.

Calls on October 24 should be directed to the cell phone only.

Procedures Prior to Contest

When brackets are formed:

1. The top team in each bracket is the home team and wears light/white uniforms. The visiting team is responsible for having uniforms of a contrasting color with the home team.
2. Game manager assigns benches.
3. Each team furnishes (2) game hockey balls of each color.
4. No balloons, portable sound systems, noise makers or signs.
5. Teams may take the field 40 minutes prior to game time. At 10 minutes prior to game time, there will be a captains' meeting with the officials and teams must leave the field at that time. After the captains' meeting, player introductions will occur (teams should provide a list of the starting line-ups to the announcer), followed by the National Anthem.

Each school shall provide the following:

1. Two game hockey balls
2. One horn and time clock
3. Two ball chasers
4. One scorer

NOTE: Teams playing in the finals must bring along to the game a list of the 25 medal recipients which will be announced at the conclusion of the game.

Tickets

1. Admission prices are \$4.00 for the students and \$6.00 for adults for all games.

School passes will not be accepted, only District IV passes.

2. Each school may issue fifteen (15) complimentary tickets for use by school officials. These tickets should be dated for the designated game only.
3. Contestants, managers, coaches and cheerleaders in uniform will be admitted when identified by school officials.

PIAA

Return to Competition: General Considerations for Field Hockey

SPORT: Field Hockey

STAFF LIAISON: Melissa Mertz

The NFHS has determined that field hockey is a moderate risk sport (sports that involve close, sustained contact, but with protective equipment in place that may reduce the likelihood of respiratory particle transmission between participants OR intermittent close contact OR group sports OR sports that use equipment that can't be cleaned between participants).

***Field Hockey could potentially be considered "Lower Risk" with appropriate cleaning of equipment and use of masks by participants.**

FIELD HOCKEY RULES CONSIDERATIONS:

PREGAME CONFERENCE:

- ✓ Limit attendees to one official, the head coach from each team, and a single captain from each team.
- ✓ Move the location of the pregame conference to center of the field. All individuals should maintain a social distance of 6 feet during the conference.
- ✓ Suspend handshakes prior to and following the Pregame Conference.

TEAM BENCHES:

- ✓ Team areas may be expanded to promote social distancing.
- ✓ Encourage bench personnel to observe social distancing of 6 feet.

BALL INDIVIDUALS:

- ✓ Encourage social distancing of 6 feet. When possible, additional game balls may be placed around the outside of the field to limit contact with the ball. Ball holders are encouraged to use their feet or wear gloves to return balls to designated areas or field players.

SUBSTITUTION PROCEDURES:

- ✓ Maintain social distancing of 6 feet between the substitute, officials and/or teammate(s) by encouraging substitutions to occur closer to the center line.

OFFICIALS' TABLE:

- ✓ Limited to essential personnel which includes home team scorer and timer with a recommend distance of 6 feet between individuals. Visiting

team personnel (scorer, statisticians, etc.) are not deemed essential personnel and will need to find an alternative location.

- ✓ If a team member is carded, it is recommended to mark a location of where the individual is to stand that is socially distant from the officials' table.

OTHER:

- ✓ Players choosing to use a penalty corner mask should not share their mask with other individuals

PREGAME, QUARTER> HALF-TIME AND POSTGAME CEREMONY:

- ✓ No pregame introduction lines. Send players to their field positions for introductions.
- ✓ Water bottles should not be allowed on the field of play and should be used off the playing surface.
- ✓ Coaches are encouraged to hold pre-game, quarter, halftime and post-game meetings socially distant and off the playing surface, where possible.
- ✓ No shaking hands during introductions.
- ✓ Traditional pre-game introductions should be altered to ensure social distancing occurs.
- ✓ No postgame shaking hands.

FIELD HOCKEY RULES INTERPRETATIONS:

EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES:

- ✓ Face coverings are permitted.
- ✓ Gloves are permitted.
- ✓ Players' goggles are optional equipment.

LEGAL UNIFORM:

- ✓ Long sleeves are permitted.
- ✓ Long pants are permitted.
- ✓ Undergarments are permitted but must be of a similar length for the individual and a solid like color for team.

OFFICIALS UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT:

- ✓ Long-sleeved shirt/jackets are permitted.
- ✓ Electronic whistles are permitted.
- ✓ Face coverings are permitted.
- ✓ Gloves are permitted.

CONSIDERATION FOR FIELD HOCKEY OFFICIALS:

- ✓ Please review the General Considerations for Officials.
- ✓ Officials may use electronic whistles during contests but must be aware of the increased risk of inadvertent whistles.
- ✓ Social distancing guidelines should be employed during the contest for officials when interacting with coaches and student-athletes (ex. penalties or carding).

Please indicate below the officials that you would recommend working the District IV PIAA playoff games. Please be advised that this does not mean that

you will get these officials for your games. The purpose of this form is to advise the officials' representative of the officials you feel would help us to run a good tournament. **Return this form by October 23, 2020.**

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2. _____
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8. _____

School Name _____

Form completed by _____ Position _____

Signature of Athletic Director

Please return to: Patti Cross, District IV Field Hockey Chairman,
Sullivan County School District
Fax: 570-946-8210

DISTRICT IV PIAA FIELD HOCKEY ENTRY FORM

This form is due 12:00 (noon) **Friday, October 31, 2020** and its submission acknowledges agreement to abide by the playoff rules of District IV PIAA. District IV member schools are not required to enter District IV championship events. Entry and participation in the 2020 PIAA District IV Field Hockey Championships are voluntary. Entry into the 2020 PIAA District IV Field Hockey Championships signifies that the member school accepts the fact that the District IV Field Hockey Committee reserves the right to make changes in the date of contests, location of contests, management, operation, and schedule of the 2020 PIAA District IV Championships if, in the judgment of the Committee, it becomes necessary to do so. Please be sure to list all opponents even if not played at time of submission. **An eligibility sheet must also be submitted. Fax 570-946-8210.**

High School _____ School Phone _____

Principal _____ Phone _____

Athletic Director _____ Phone _____

Coach _____ Phone _____

Date	Opponent	Score	Your Score	Their "L" if loss	"W" if won "T" if tied
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
12. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
13. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
14. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
15. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
16. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
17. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	
18. _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	

Number of wins _____ Number of losses _____ Number of ties _____

Signature of Principal

Signature of Athletic Director

FAX TO: 570-946-8210

Patti Cross, Field Hockey Chairperson