

**PIAA  
DISTRICT IV**

FROM: Jim Zack  
TO: PRINCIPALS, ATHLETIC DIRECTORS, AND COACHES  
DATE: September 6, 2019  
RE: Football Playoffs

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Enclosed, you will find a copy of the 2019 PIAA District IV football playoff regulations. Please share this with your principal and football coach. **You must notify Mr. Jim Zack by Friday, October 4, 2019, if your school does not wish to be considered for post-season football competition.** Those schools not notifying the District IV Committee will be expected to participate in the District IV tournament. Failure to do so could bring disciplinary action from the committee.

The inter-district playoff format will be used to determine which teams will advance to the state finals. The District IV playoffs will begin the weekend of November 1 and 2 with the district championship game for AA and AAA scheduled the weekend of November 15 and 16. For A, and AAAA, the championship game will be held the weekend of November 8 and 9. The first inter-district game will be played the weekend of November 15 and 16. **Due to the increased number of playoff teams, games will be scheduled for Saturday.**

All teams participating in the District IV playoffs will be invited to a luncheon meeting at the Villa in Williamsport on Monday, October 28, 2019 at 11AM. The purpose of the meeting is to go over final details for the playoffs and provide items for hosting or participating in the tournament. **This meeting is for the AD and Principal only.**

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## DISTRICT IV FOOTBALL PLAY-OFF FORMAT

Football play-offs will be conducted in District IV senior high schools in four classifications for the 2019-2020 school year. Williamsport is a 6A school and will participate in the District II tournament if it qualifies. Placement of schools has been decided by enrollment figures from the PIAA.

### ***DATES:***

2019 Quarter finals – 10<sup>th</sup> playing weekend November 1 and 2  
AAA and AA #1 team plays #8 team, #2 team plays #7 team  
#3 team plays #6 team, #4 team plays #5 team

2019 Semi-finals – 11<sup>th</sup> playing weekend November 8 and 9  
Winner #1 and #8 plays winner of #4 and #5  
Winner #2 and #7 plays winner of #3 and #6

2019 Finals – 12<sup>th</sup> playing date November 15 and 16

2019 Semi-finals  
A and AAAA #1 team plays #4 team, #2 team plays #3 team November 1 and 2

2019 Finals November 8 and 9

## **SCORE REPORTING: ENTERING YOUR RESULTS IN GIMPWARE**

1. Once a contest has been completed, you may enter a result for that contest.
2. Access the Schedule Page for a fall sport.
3. Once the Schedule Page is shown, move the cursor to the W/L/T blue link for that contest. Click on the W/L/T link.
4. A white box will pop up with W/L/T in the middle. W stands for Win, L for Loss and T for Tie.
5. There is no default in the box below. Type in the appropriate letter – W for Win, L for Loss or T for Tie – into that box. Click OK.
6. Another white box will pop up with Score: in the middle. Type the score of the contest into the box. Example: 22-14 Click OK.
7. The Scheduler will immediately update the result. The W/L/T will be replaced by the contest result (a W, L or a T with a blue link) followed by the score in the next box in black type.

**NOTE: Schools must list the winning score first regardless of whether your school was the winner or the loser.**

In addition, please double-check the accuracy of the contest score itself. Remember, the results do show up on the Fan Page and our fans - and media - notice if one result is marked 22-14 and the other is marked 21-14.

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All teams are also required to submit scores to MaxPreps after each game in order to confirm regular season records and manage postseason qualification. All Teams must also maintain a completed roster in MaxPreps to participate in the playoffs.

## **LOGIN INFORMATION**

Visit [www.MaxPreps.com/AD](http://www.MaxPreps.com/AD) and enter your email address to sign in, if needed. If you are not a member on MaxPreps, click on “Create an Account” under AD/Coach Account on the right and register to access your team information.

- Select “Set up Admin Accounts” and enter your team’s access code to link your account.
- You are done! You will not need the access code to login in the future. You will enter your email and password to access your team information moving forward.
- If you need your access code, please reach out to the MaxPreps Coach Support team at [coachsupport@maxpreps.com](mailto:coachsupport@maxpreps.com) or 800-329-7324 x1.

## **ONCE YOU LOGIN, WHAT DO WE NEED FROM YOU?**

1. UPDATE the coaches at your school
2. CHECK to make sure all of your team's schedule/scores are up-to-date throughout the season

If you have any questions at all about MaxPreps or how to get started, please reach out MaxPreps Coach Support at 800-329-7324 x1 or email [coachsupport@maxpreps.com](mailto:coachsupport@maxpreps.com). You can also reach out to Eric Frantz, PIAA District IV representative, at [eric.frantz@cbsinteractive.com](mailto:eric.frantz@cbsinteractive.com) or 916.397.8600.

***GAME TIMES:***

Starting time for a single game played at night is 7:00 p.m. A single game played in the afternoon will begin at 1:00 p.m. All teams will be expected to play on the date and time established by District IV. Changes will only be granted for unplayable fields, mechanical failure or fields without lights. In such case, the Football Chairman reserves the right to move the contest to a neutral site, to the lower seeded team's field for an alternative date.

***GAME SITES:***

The game site for each game will be at the home of the highest ranked team provided facilities are adequate (weather permitting) as determined by District IV. The District Committee will determine all game managers. The selected site will provide the following personnel and equipment:

- Facilities manager
- Security police
- Ticket takers and sellers
- P.A. system and announcer
- Ambulance service and physician
- Lockers and dressing rooms
- Scoreboard operator
- Clock operator
- Field markers and chains
- Other required facilities

***CANCELLATION AND/OR POSTPONEMENT:***

The cancellation, postponement and/or rescheduling of a playoff game will be at the discretion of the district chairman and the football committee.

***CONCESSIONS:***

The host school or organization shall be responsible for the operation of the concession stand and shall retain all profits.

District IV shall assume the responsibility of preparing a program. The host school shall arrange for the sale of and retain any profits from the programs.

***DISTRIBUTION OF RECEIPTS:***

The existing formula established by the District IV Committee will apply to the football play-offs. After expenses, the participating schools will share 50% of the net receipts and the district will retain 50%. All team or school expenses will be absorbed from their respective shares.

***GAME BALLS:***

The District IV Committee will provide National Federation approved **Wilson GST 1003** footballs that must be used for all games.

***UNIFORMS:***

The home team will wear a dark colored jersey. The visiting team will wear a light colored jersey.

**RANKING**

The rankings (ratings) shall be used to determine the first round host district in any region or sub-region contest involving member school teams under the jurisdiction of different district committees.

Subsequent round contests involving member school teams under the jurisdiction of different district committees shall be played at a site approved by the Executive Director or his designee.

Contest officials assigned to any region or sub-region contest involving member school teams under the jurisdiction of different district committees shall be approved by the Executive Director or his designee.

***CHANGES OF SCHEDULE:***

Games scheduled by PIAA member schools after the first official playing date shall not be considered for championship honors for that season. Except in the event of a jointure or other reorganization of schools, consummated before opening of the regular school year. A school or schools so involved will be given time up to and including the second playing week of the season to readjust its schedule. Any schedule adjustments must meet the approval of the PIAA District IV Committee before the games shall be considered for play-off ratings.

Cancellation of a bonafide game contract shall not jeopardize or affect the championship eligibility of the offended team or any other team.

When a regular season game is postponed, the home school shall notify the District IV Football Chairman within the week of postponement when the postponed game is to be played. If the chairman of football is not notified or if the game is not played, the Football Chairman shall notify the District IV Chairman who will notify the said schools to schedule a meeting of the District IV Committee with the schools and after such hearing the decision of the District IV Committee shall be final

When a PIAA District IV member school or member schools cancel a scheduled game, except with the approval of the District IV Committee, such member school or schools shall be subject to suspension from all PIAA play-offs in all sports for a period of one year.

***BANDS:***

All band members in uniform of both participants will be admitted free and will be designated an area by the facilities manager. Only that number of members in each band who participate throughout the season will be allowed. No joint junior high/middle school and senior high bands will be permitted. With the exception of the band directors, all non-uniformed band personnel must

have tickets. Prior arrangements as to the number of members in the band must be mad with the game manager to reserve sufficient space.

The designated home team band will occupy the field prior to game time for a maximum of 20 minutes and must be off the field no later than 10 minutes prior to the start of the game: 6:50 for a 7:00 game, or 12:50 for a 1:00 game. The visitors team band will occupy the field during half-time of the game and will arrange its program not to exceed 10 minutes, which will include being completely off the field.

The home team band will be responsible for the playing of the National Anthem. School bands are encouraged to perform unless weather conditions are such that they will damage the field.

***INTRODUCTION OF PLAYERS:***

Eleven (11) players from each school will be introduced. Schools have the option of either introducing the starting offensive or defensive team. Team spotters should have this information and give it to the announcer 10 minutes prior to game time. Each school will designate a spotter to work in conjunction with the game manager.

***BANNERS, SIGNS, LISTENING DEVICES, AND TEAM BOX DECORUM:***

Both the presence and use of balloons, towels, siren, whistles, and portable listening devices (without earphones) are prohibited. The Principal and athletic Director of each school will be requested to confiscate these items from the spectators from their school and community. Small portable listening devices with earphones and stationery banners and signs, which are sportsmanship in their messages are permitted. Principals and Athletic Directors of competing schools shall announce and publicize these regulations.

The Principal, Athletic Director, coaches, team physician, team trainers, players in uniform, managers, ball holders, and statisticians will be the only persons permitted in the team box.

***MEDIA:***

All media with proper identification will be admitted free. It will be the media's responsibility to contact the facilities manager for any arrangements.

***RADIO/TV:***

Radio – A & AA games - \$100	AAA & AAAA games - \$150
TV (Delayed broadcast) - A & AA games \$200	AAA & AAAA games - \$300
TV Live – A & AA games - \$1,500.00	AAA & AAAA games - \$2,000

***TICKETS:***

Players, coaches, trainers, equipment managers, etc. will be admitted without tickets. All must be identified by the coach.

Varsity football cheerleaders in uniform will be admitted free of charge. Chaperone/coach will be admitted with the cheerleaders.

Each participating school will be given 10 complimentary tickets.

Participating schools will be given tickets for pre-game sale at their respective schools on as needed basis. Money and unsold tickets are to be checked with the game manager one (1) hour prior to the start of the game. Pre-game ticket prices are as follows:

All Games:     Students \$4.00  
                         Adults     \$6.00

**Admission Price at the Gate:**

All Games:     Students \$4.00  
                         Adults     \$6.00

***VIDEO:***

Each school participating will be allowed to tape its play-off games, making prior arrangements with the facilities manager.

***TEAM WARM-UP:***

Practice sessions at the designated game site will not be permitted prior to the date of the game. Warm-up period prior to the game shall be limited to (1) hour. Teams may be on the field no sooner than 1 ½ hours prior to the start of the game. All teams must leave the field 30 minutes prior to the game and return 10 minutes before the game.

***COIN TOSS:***

Thirty minutes before game time the officials will call the team captains together at one end of the field for the coin toss. The visiting team will call the toss. Three minutes before game time the officials and captains will meet at mid-field to reenact the coin toss.

***TIES – ACCORDING TO NATIONAL FEDERATION RULES:***

If the score is tied at the end of the regulation play, overtime shall be used until a winner is declared. After a three-minute rest period each team will put the ball in play from the 10-yard line with four downs to score. This procedure continues until one team out scores the other after each team had an opportunity to score.

***OFFICIALS:***

The District IV Committee will assign game officials. There will be seven (7) officials for each game.

***INSURANCE:***

Each school is responsible for providing their individual student participants with accident and/or other coverage for injuries.

***PROPERTY DAMAGE:***

If property damage is done at a play-off site by competing schools, student body or spectator, to the physical facilities and/or equipment, the school itself (that caused the damage) shall be liable and pay the cost of repair or replacement. Other damages to facilities not attributed to competing schools could be legitimate play-off expense and deducted from play-off receipts.

***AWARDS:***

Fifth (50) medals will be presented to the championship team.



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Name of school \_\_\_\_\_

Classification (Circle One)    A    2A    3A    5A

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Principal \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone    Office \_\_\_\_\_    Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Head Coach \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone    Office \_\_\_\_\_    Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic \_\_\_\_\_

Director \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone    Office \_\_\_\_\_    Cell \_\_\_\_\_

**PIAA DISTRICT IV FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS**

	<u>AAA</u>		<u>AA</u>		<u>A</u>
		<b>1986</b>			
Champion	Montoursville		Athens		Muncy
Runner-up	Towanda		Line Mountain		S. Williamsport
		<b>1987</b>			
Champion	Milton		Montoursville		Canton
Runner-up	Selinsgrove		Athens		Montgomery
		<b>1988</b>			
Champion	Selinsgrove		Troy		Loyalsock
Runner-up	Montoursville		Wyalusing		Muncy
		<b>1989</b>			
Champion	Shamokin		Montoursville		S. Williamsport
Runner-up	Selinsgrove		Central Columbia		Canton
		<b>1990</b>			
Champion	Montoursville		Wyalusing		Canton
Runner-up	Mifflinburg		Troy		Southern Columbia
		<b>1991</b>			
Champion	Shamokin		Danville		S. Columbia
Runner-up	Montoursville		Wyalusing		Canton
		<b>1992</b>			
Champion	Selinsgrove		Central Columbia		S. Columbia
Runner-up	Mifflinburg		Line Mountain		Canton
		<b>1993</b>			
Champion	Selinsgrove		Central Columbia		S. Columbia
Runner-up	Athens		Wyalusing		Bloomsburg
	<u>AAAA</u>		<u>AAA</u>		<u>AA</u>
					<u>A</u>
		<b>1994</b>			
Champion	Williamsport		Montoursville		Central Columbia
Runner-up			Athens		Wyalusing
					S. Columbia
					S. Wmsport
		<b>1995</b>			
Champion	Williamsport		Shamokin		Line Mountain
Runner-up			Montoursville		Wyalusing
					S. Columbia
					Loyalsock

	<u>AAAA</u>	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>
		<b>1996</b>		
Champion	Williamsport	Shamokin	Mt. Carmel	S. Columbia
Runner-up		Montoursville	Central Columbia	Muncy
		<b>1997</b>		
Champion	Williamsport	Jersey Shore	S. Williamsport	S. Columbia
Runner-up			Mt. Carmel	Canton
		<b>1998</b>		
Champion	Williamsport	Danville	Mt. Carmel	S. Columbia
Runner-up			Hughesville	Montgomery
		<b>1999</b>		
Champion		Danville	Mt. Carmel	S. Columbia
Runner-up			Wyalusing	Montgomery
		<b>2000</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	Mt. Carmel	S. Columbia
Runner-up			Wyalusing	Montgomery
		<b>2001</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	Wyalusing	S. Columbia
Runner-up				Muncy
		<b>2002</b>		
Champion			Mt. Carmel	S. Columbia
Runner-up			Hughesville	Muncy
		<b>2003</b>		
Champion		Shamokin	Line Mountain	S. Columbia
Runner-up		Selinsgrove	Mt. Carmel	Bloomsburg
		<b>2004</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	Athens	S. Columbia
Runner-up		Shikellamy	Shamokin	Lourdes
		<b>2005</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	Montoursville	S. Columbia
Runner-up		Mifflinburg	Towanda	Muncy
		<b>2006</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	Montoursville	S. Columbia
Runner-up		Milton	Athens	Muncy

	<u>AAAA</u>	<u>AAA</u>	<u>AA</u>	<u>A</u>
		<b>2007</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	Montoursville	Bloomsburg
		Jersey Shore	Towanda	L. Mountain
		<b>2008</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	Mt. Carmel	S. Columbia
Runner-up		Jersey Shore	Montoursville	L. Mountain
		<b>2009</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	Loyalsock	S. Columbia
Runner-up		Shikellamy	Lewisburg	L. Mountain
		<b>2010</b>		
Champion		Shikellamy	Lewisburg	S. Columbia
Runner-up		Selinsgrove	Danville	L. Mountain
		<b>2011</b>		
Champion		Shamokin	Mt. Carmel	S. Columbia
Runner-up		Milton	Bloomsburg	L. Mountain
		<b>2012</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	Danville	S. Columbia
Runner-up		Milton	Mt. Carmel	S Williamsport
		<b>2013</b>		
Champion		Jersey Shore	Troy	S. Columbia
Runner-up		Selinsgrove	Danville	S Williamsport
		<b>2014</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	Montoursville	S. Williamsport
Runner-up		Jersey Shore	S. Columbia	N. P-Mansfield
		<b>2015</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	S Columbia	Wellsboro
Runner-up		Jersey Shore	Montoursville	N. P- Mansfield
		<b>2016</b>		
Champion	Williamsport	Jersey Shore	Montoursville	S Columbia
Runner-up		Selinsgrove	Danville	S Williamsport
		<b>2017</b>		
Champion		Selinsgrove	Loyalsock	S Columbia
Runner-up		Jersey Shore	Danville	MCA
		<b>2018</b>		
Champion		Jersey Shore	Montoursville	S Columbia
Runner-up		Selinsgrove	Danville	MCA
				Muncy
				Canton

## FOOTBALL CLASIFICATIONS

### A

Muncy High School	131
South Williamsport	130
Sayre Area High School	118
Canton Area High School	111
Montgomery Area High School	104
Bucktail Area High School	47

### AA

Hughesville High School	187
Wellsboro Area High School	182
Troy Junior / Senior High School	180
Southern Columbia	173
Mount Carmel Area	173
Towanda Area High School	173
North Penn-Mansfield	151
Line Mountain Sr High School	147
Wyalusing Valley High School	145
Bloomsburg High School	142

### AAA

Shamokin Area High School	264
Danville Area High School	262
Mifflinburg Area High School	261
Milton Area High School	254
Lewisburg Area High School	250
Athens Area High School	226
Montoursville Area High School	225
Central Columbia High School	216
Loyalsock Township High School	200
Warrior Run High School	200
Cowanesque Valley High School	119

### AAAA

Shikellamy High School	338
Selinsgrove Area High School	336
Jersey Shore Area High School	289
Columbia Montour Area Vo Tech	269
Midd-West High School	254

### AAAAAA

Williamsport High School	564
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