CONDIMENTS OF ENTRY
PIAA member schools are not required to enter PIAA championship events. Entry and participation in the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championships are voluntary. Entry into the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championships signifies that the member school accepts the fact that the Executive Director, or the Executive Director’s designee, reserves the right to make changes in the date of Contests, location of Contests, management, operation, and schedule of the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championships if, in the judgment of the Executive Director or the Executive Director’s designee, it becomes necessary to do so.

The 2019 PIAA Baseball Championships shall be conducted pursuant to all applicable By-Laws, Policies and Procedures, and Rules and Regulations of PIAA. Additionally, it is important that the Principal, Athletic Director, and head baseball Coach of all Teams that will participate in the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championships and all persons who will have responsibilities involving these activities, are fully informed of the policies and procedures described herein. It is also necessary that everyone associated with these championships comply with all policies and procedures without exception.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE
The 2019 PIAA Baseball Championships are scheduled for Monday, June 3 (first round); Thursday, June 6 (quarterfinals); and Monday, June 10 (semi-finals). The championship (final) Contests are scheduled to be played at Medlar Field at Lubrano Park, PSU, University Park, PA, on Thursday, June 13, and Friday, June 14, 2019.

ENTRY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
The PIAA has partnered with MaxPreps, the “Official Statistician of PIAA District and Inter-District Championships” for the purpose of soliciting schedules, rosters, results, and statistics of member senior high schools in the sport of baseball. That information will be utilized by both District and Inter-District Championship Tournament Directors to provide attending media with up-to-date results and statistical information on the competing schools and to produce souvenir programs.

Accordingly, a representative of each school that qualifies a Team for the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championships is requested to enter its Team’s information into MaxPreps using their Coach Login, which, if not already established, may be obtained by clicking here. Once registered, go to www.MaxPreps.com and click the Coach Login button at the top of the page to login to your Team’s admin account. Under the Main Menu click the Schedule and Roster links to make sure your Team’s schedule, scores, and roster are up-to-date and complete – please be sure to denote your Team captain(s) on your Team’s roster. Finally, under the Roster link, select the Staff link to confirm your Team’s Coaching staff. Questions can be directed to PIAA MaxPreps state rep Eric Frantz (efrantz@maxpreps.com or 937-554-0477).

In addition, member schools advancing a Team to a 2019 PIAA Baseball Championship semi-final Contest are requested to continually update its Team’s schedule, roster, results, and statistics and forward an appropriate Team picture to PIAA, as follows:

1. Electronically forward an appropriate Team picture, with a resolution of 266 dpi, or greater, in either Bitmap or JPEG format, to jsalvadia@piaa.org.
2. If electronically forwarding an appropriate Team picture is not possible, then courier or USPS Express Mail an appropriate Team picture to the PIAA Office.

PLEASE DO NOT FAX TEAM PICTURES. THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF THE ELECTRONIC TEAM INFORMATION FORM AND FORWARDING AN APPROPRIATE TEAM PICTURE IS 4:30 P.M., MONDAY, JUNE 10, 2019. NO EXCEPTIONS!
FIRST ROUND, QUARTERFINAL, AND SEMI-FINAL CONTESTS
Schools that qualify for the first round and schools that advance to the quarterfinals and semi-finals will be notified concerning their opponent, home/away Team, location of Contest, date of Contest, starting time of Contest, and name and telephone number of the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager BY THEIR PIAA DISTRICT BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR.

Principals or Athletic Directors of competing schools, upon notification of relevant information from their PIAA District Baseball Championships Tournament Director, should IMMEDIATELY contact the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager of their respective Contests and (1) confirm the opponent, home/away Team, location of Contest, date and starting time of Contest; (2) arrange for a locker room, if needed; (3) obtain directions to the Contest site; (4) state the departure time of the Team and the approximate time of arrival at the Contest site; (5) state the anticipated number of spectators from the school and community that will attend the Contest; and (6) state a telephone number at which the Principal or the Athletic Director will be available, up to the announced departure time of the Team.

TEAM ADMISSION TO CONTEST
Teams participating in the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championships are permitted a maximum of thirty (30) persons admitted free-of-charge. This allotment includes players, Coaches, managers, non-playing Team personnel, bus driver, and school personnel. If the Principal and/or Athletic Director travel to the Contest site separate from the Team party, they are required to notify the Contest Manager prior to their arrival in order to receive complimentary admission.

HOME TEAM AND BENCH / DUGOUT
For all first round PIAA Baseball Championship Contests the Teams listed at the TOP of the pairings in the brackets (enclosed) shall be the HOME Team and shall occupy the FIRST BASE BENCH/DUGOUT. For all quarterfinal and semi-final Contests, a coin flip will occur with the Coaches captains of both Teams, at the Contest site, no later than forty-five (45) minutes prior to the scheduled starting time of the Contest. The winner of the coin flip will have their choice of home or visitor. The Contest Manager may pre-determine dugouts in advance of the coin flip to assist with the organization of the event.

CONTEST BALLS AND SCOREKEEPERS
EACH PIAA-APPOINTED CONTEST MANAGER will be provided with twelve (12) SPALDING 41129HS baseballs, the “Official Baseball” of the PIAA Championships, for use during the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championships, first round through finals, inclusive. Advancing (winning) schools will be requested to forward (advance) any unused balls to the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager of their subsequent round Contest.

EACH SCHOOL is responsible for providing a competent, responsible adult scorekeeper for each Contest. The scorekeeper of the home Team shall be the official scorekeeper. In the event an adult representative is not available from either Team, the Contest manager may appoint an individual to serve in this capacity.

PRE-CONTEST MEETING
The Principal, Athletic Director, head baseball Coach, and Team captains of each school participating in the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championships are required to meet with the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager and Contest umpires ten (10) minutes prior to the starting time of each Contest at home plate. The Principal and Athletic Director must remain in the Team area throughout the Contest and remain in the Team area until the Contest is concluded and their Team has entered the locker room.

BASEBALL CONTEST TIMES
All single Contests, with the exception of Championship (Final) Contests, will be attempted to be scheduled to begin at 4:00 p.m. or later. Doubleheaders will be attempted to be scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. or 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m., or later where lights are available. An exception to this schedule will occur if a competing school has commencement scheduled on the day of the Contest. In this case, the Contest shall be scheduled at a time that will allow senior Team members to attend their commencement. In all other cases, the PIAA District Baseball Chairmen, in consultation with Mr. Mark E. Byers, PIAA Chief Operating Officer, have the final decision concerning the time of the Contest.
**ENDING A REGULATION CONTEST**

A PIAA District or Inter-District Baseball Championship Contest ends when the Team behind in score has completed its turn at bat in the seventh inning, or any inning thereafter if extra innings are necessary. If the home Team scores a go-ahead run in the bottom of the seventh inning, or in any extra inning, the Contest is terminated at that point.

If weather or darkness interferes with play so that the Contest is called (ended) by the umpire, it is a regulation Contest:

   a. if five full innings have been played, or if the home Team has scored an equal or greater number of runs in four or four and a fraction turns at bat than the visiting Team has scored in five turns at bat; or
   b. if play has gone beyond five full innings.

If the Contest is called when the Teams have not had an equal number of completed terms at bat, the score shall be the same as it was at the end of the last completed inning; except that if the home Team in its half of the incomplete inning, scores a run (or runs) which equals or exceeds the opponent’s score, the final score shall be as recorded when the Contest is called.

A PIAA District or Inter-District Baseball Championship Contest shall also end when the losing Team is behind fifteen (15) or more runs and has had at least three (3) turns at bat OR ten (10) or more runs and has had at least five (5) turns at bat.

**SUSPENDED CONTEST**

A PIAA DISTRICT OR INTER-DISTRICT BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST CALLED (ENDED) BY THE UMPIRE BEFORE IT IS A REGULATION CONTEST, OR A REGULATION CONTEST CALLED FOR ANY REASON, WHERE A WINNER CANNOT BE DETERMINED, SHALL BE TREATED AS A SUSPENDED CONTEST! The suspended Contest must be resumed later that same day or on the next playable day, and it must be continued from the point of suspension with the lineup and batting order of each Team exactly the same as the lineup and batting order at the moment of suspension. **NOTE: A player eligible at the time of suspension, present or not, may participate in the continued game, subject to the rules of the game.**

**GENERAL ADMISSION TICKET PRICES**

General admission tickets, both adult and student, will be on sale at the gate at all Inter-District Baseball Championship Contest sites. General admission ticket prices are as follows:

- First Round and Quarterfinals: $6.00 Adult $3.00 Student
- Semi-Finals and Championships (Finals): $8.00 Adult $4.00 Student

The price of a student ticket includes any K-12 grade student. Pre-kindergarten children are admitted free-of-charge.

**PRACTICE/PRE-CONTEST WARM-UPS**

Teams ARE NOT PERMITTED to Practice on the competition surface except for pre-Contest warm-ups unless one (1) of the participating Teams has played a Contest on the competition surface during the Postseason. If one (1) Team has played on the competition surface during the Postseason, the opponent Team may request use of the competition surface for one (1) Practice by contacting the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager no later than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the scheduled Contest. A request to Practice on the competition surface will be accommodated, if possible to do so.

Teams ARE NOT PERMITTED to take batting Practice on the competition surface prior to the Contest. However, and if authorized to do so, Teams are permitted to take batting Practice in batting cages that are located within the confines of the Contest facility. When possible, Teams will be permitted to take ten (10) minutes of infield and outfield Practice on the competition surface prior to the Contest. When infield Practice and outfield Practice on the competition surface are possible, the home Team will conduct its pre-Contest Practice on the competition surface first, thirty (30) minutes prior to the start of the Contest. The visiting Team will conduct its pre-Contest Practice on the competition surface, twenty (20) minutes prior to the start of the Contest.
EMERGENCY MEDICAL/HEALTH CARE
A physician and an ambulance will be "on call" for emergency medical care. A PIAA-appointed certified athletic trainer will be available for emergency health care. The PIAA-appointed certified athletic trainer reserves the right to charge a school for any training supplies that are supplied by the trainer and/or that are requested or used by the school. Competing schools are encouraged to bring their own trainer and training supplies.

BASEBALL PITCHING RESTRICTION FOR DISTRICT AND INTER-DISTRICT CONTESTS

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For District and Inter-District (state) contests, a pitcher may throw 105 pitches in a calendar day and throw no more than 210 pitches in a Calendar week. A pitcher reaching the maximum pitch count for any level of rest during an at bat may continue to pitch to that batter, or any substitute for that batter, until such batter is put out or reaches first base, or until a third out has been made prior to the end of that at bat. The pitcher will be credited with the maximum number of pitches for that level.

In addition, an official pitch counter, separate from each team, will be designated by the Contest Manager for the purpose of recording the pitch count. No pitcher may appear on more than 2 consecutive days of competition. Team scorekeepers are requested to frequently confer with the official pitch counter and one another to confirm pitch counts (no less than once per inning).

A representative of the school is required to record pitch counts for their players in MaxPreps, no later than 12:00 pm (noon) the day following a contest. Note: PIAA recommends using GameChanger, as it is a free app for Apple products, and can be easily synced with MaxPreps.

If a baseball player pitches more pitches than are permitted under the "restriction" the school is using an ineligible player (pitcher) and shall forfeit the Contest. Violations of the “restriction” subject the school to other penalties under ARTICLE XIII, PENALTIES, of the PIAA By-Laws. As is the case with all PIAA rules and regulations, it is the responsibility of the Principal to make sure that the school’s baseball Coaches and players comply with the PIAA baseball pitching restriction (6-2-6).

INTER-DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP POST-CONTEST INTERVIEWS OF COACHES AND TEAM PERSONNEL
Following completion of the Contest, Coaches, other school personnel, and persons affiliated with the Team shall not allow or participate in any interviews with the electronic and/or print media or other persons until both Teams have completed the congratulatory handshake ceremony, completed the awards presentation ceremony (applies to Championship [Final] Contests only), gathered their personal and/or Team belongings, departed the competition surface, and returned to the Team locker room.

BASEBALL UMPIRES
Four (4) PIAA-registered baseball umpires will be assigned to each Contest by the PIAA Executive Director, or the Executive Director’s designee. The PIAA Executive Director, or the Executive Director’s designee, will designate the umpire-in-chief and the position of the three (3) field umpires.
NO PROTEST RULE
Under PIAA there can be no protest of Contests as follows:

"The Board of Directors and District Committees will not consider any protest in athletic Contests which are based on play situations or officials' decisions involving interpretation or judgment of plays."

"In no case will the results of a Contest be reversed nor will a Contest be ordered or permitted to be replayed."

"Questions regarding interpretation of rules or judgment of officials should be submitted, in writing, to the Executive Director."

2019 PIAA BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP (FINAL) CONTESTS TIMES, DATE, AND SITE
The site of the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championship (Final) Contests is Medlar Field at Lubrano Park, PSU, University Park, PA. The schedule for the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championship (Final) Contests are as follows:

1A Championship (Final) (Game 141) 1:00 p.m. Thursday, June 13, 2019 Lubrano Park, PSU
3A Championship (Final) (Game 341) 4:00 p.m. Thursday, June 13, 2019 Lubrano Park, PSU
5A Championship (Final) (Game 541) 7:00 p.m. Thursday, June 13, 2019 Lubrano Park, PSU
2A Championship (Final) (Game 241) 10:30 a.m. Friday, June 14, 2019 Lubrano Park, PSU
4A Championship (Final) (Game 441) 1:30 p.m. Friday, June 14, 2019 Lubrano Park, PSU
6A Championship (Final) (Game 641) 4:30 p.m. Friday, June 14, 2019 Lubrano Park, PSU

INCLEMENT WEATHER DATE:
SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2019

For the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championship (Final) Contests, the Team at the Top-of-the-Bracket will be the HOME TEAM and, therefore, shall occupy the first base bench/dugout. The designation of home and visiting Team will be alternated each year.

LOCKERS AND LOCKER ROOM FACILITIES
Locker rooms will not be available to Teams the day of the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championship (Final) Contests. It is requested that all articles of value such as money, rings, watches, etc., are collected by and remain in the possession of a responsible adult designated by each participating school. PIAA and/or the host facility are not responsible for any lost or stolen articles.

REGISTRATION
The head baseball Coach of each Team that advances to the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championship (Final) Contests is required to register his Team with Mark E. Byers, PIAA Chief Operating Officer. The site and time of registration will be announced during the telephone conference call.

Team registration packets will include:

1. General Information for Coaches and Team Members
2. One (1) Baseball Official Line-up Card
3. Individual Medals and Team Trophy Presentation Form
4. Twenty-five (25) Complimentary Programs

PRE-CONTEST BATTLING PRACTICE
Pre-Contest batting Practice is not permitted on Medlar Field; however, the batting cages located at Lubrano Park will be available. Thirty minutes in the batting cage, per Team, will be scheduled on game day. Pre-game batting Practice may also be arranged on a field of one of the local high schools. Schools desiring use of a local high school are requested to please contact the Athletic Director of a local high school, as listed on the PIAA web site www.piaa.org.

PARKING
Parking for competing schools and spectators is restricted to the parking lots and parking areas at the Contest sites that are not marked reserved or that are not posted as "no parking" or restricted areas.
LODGING AND MEALS

Housing is not available at Pennsylvania State University and housing will not be provided by PIAA. If needed a representative of each participating school must make arrangements for housing and for meals, as required, for the Team members and Coaches. An abbreviated listing of hotels and motels in the State College area is enclosed.

CHAMPIONSHIPS MERCHANDISE

CR&A Designs is the official exclusive merchandise representative of PIAA. CR&A Designs will offer official PIAA merchandise, novelties and souvenir programs at the PIAA Baseball Championships on Thursday, June 13, and Friday, June 14, 2019. All items will be available at Medlar Field at Lubrano Park, PSU as well as the CR&A Designs online store. Anyone that would like to receive PIAA Championships merchandise after the event can visit the CR&A Designs online store by clicking “Store” at www.piaa.org.

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MEDALS AND TROPHIES

A maximum of twenty-five (25) medals will be awarded to the members of the championship Team and the members of the second place Team at the conclusion of each championship game. A Team trophy will be awarded to both the championship Team and the runner-up Team at the conclusion of the championship game.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Mr. Mark E. Byers, PIAA Chief Operating Officer, will serve as the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championship (Final) Contests Manager.

Mr. Andrew Keteles, PIAA Statewide Baseball Rules Interpreter, will serve as the 2019 PIAA Baseball Championship (Final) Contests Supervisor of Officials.

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