CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

PIAA member schools are not required to enter PIAA championship events. Entry and participation in the 2019 PIAA Field Hockey Championships are voluntary. Entry into the 2019 PIAA Field Hockey 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 Field Hockey Championships if, in the judgment of the Executive Director, or the Executive Director’s designee, it becomes necessary to do so.

ENTRY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

PIAA has partnered with MaxPreps, the “Official Statistician of PIAA District and Inter-District Championships” to create a streamlined process for entering schedules, rosters, results, and statistics for all member senior high schools in the sport of field hockey. 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 Field Hockey Championships is requested to enter its Team’s information into MaxPreps using Coach Login, which, if not already established, may be obtained by e-mailing coachsupport@maxpreps.com or calling 800-329-7324 x1. Next, go to www.MaxPreps.com and click the Sign In button at the top of the page to login to your Team’s account. Once you are logged into your Team’s Account, 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. Next, click on the icon with your first name in the upper right portion of the page and drop down will appear. Click on “Update Coaches” to make sure your Team’s contact and title information are complete for your Team’s Coaching staff.

Member schools advancing a Team to a 2019 PIAA Field Hockey Championship semi-final Contest are requested to forward an appropriate Team picture, as follows:

1. Forward an appropriate Team picture, with a resolution of 266 dpi, or greater, in either Bitmap or JPEG format, to wmerlina@piaa.org.

THE DEADLINE FOR RESUBMISSION OF THE ELECTRONIC TEAM INFORMATION FORM AND FORWARDING AN APPROPRIATE TEAM PICTURE IS 4:30 P.M., TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2019. NO EXCEPTIONS!

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The 2019 PIAA Field Hockey Championships are scheduled on a regional basis for Tuesday, November 5, (first round); Saturday, November 9 (quarterfinals); and Tuesday, November 12 (semi-finals). The championship (final) Contests are scheduled to be played at Zephyr Sports Complex, Whitehall, PA on Saturday, November 16, 2019.

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 FIELD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR.

Principals or Athletic Directors of competing schools, upon notification of relevant information from their PIAA District Field Hockey 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.

**HOME TEAM/UNIFORMS**

The Team at the **TOP** of the pairing in the brackets (enclosed) shall be the HOME Team for all first round
through and including semi-final Contests and the Team at the **BOTTOM** of the pairing in the brackets
(enclosed) shall be the VISITING Team. It is required that participating member schools dress and equip
t heir Teams pursuant to National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Field Hockey
Rules 1-5; and Interpretations thereof. The Principal or the Athletic Director of the school that is the
visiting Team is responsible for contacting the Principal or Athletic Director of the school of the home
Team for the purpose of avoiding similarity of colors with the uniform tops and socks/sock guards of the
home Team.

**CONTEST BALLS, BALL RETRIEVERS, AND EQUIPMENT**

Schools are requested to bring 6 field hockey balls to each round of PIAA Championship Contests. In the
absence of a ball stopper system, EACH SCHOOL is responsible for providing two (2) BALL
RETRIEVERS for each field hockey Contest, first round to final, inclusive. Ball retrievers are under the
direct supervision of the official(s) whom they shall assist by carrying an extra field hockey ball and
retrieving balls which cross boundary lines. Additionally, EACH SCHOOL will be responsible for providing
one (1) working and accurate visible timing device AND one (1) audible device (horn), first round to semi-
final, inclusive.

**TEAM ADMISSION TO CONTEST**

Teams participating in the 2019 PIAA Field Hockey Championships are permitted a maximum of thirty
(30) persons admitted free-of-charge. This allotment includes players, Coaches, managers, ball holders
and all other non-playing persons. Cheerleaders, dressed in cheerleading uniforms, and accompanied by
ONE adult advisor, will be admitted FREE-OF-CHARGE, IN ONE GROUP.

**GENERAL ADMISSION TICKET PRICES**

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

| All Rounds: | $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.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER/POSTPONEMENTS**

Teams must be prepared to play in inclement weather. If at all possible, Contests will be played as
scheduled. It shall be the decision of the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager, in consultation with the PIAA
Field Hockey Championships Tournament Director, as to whether a Contest should be postponed
because of inclement weather, unplayable condition of the competition surface, and/or hazardous travel
conditions. Postponed Contests must be played later in the day or on the next playable day, at the
original Contest site and at the original starting time, if possible.

**PRACTICE/PRE-CONTEST WARM-UP**

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.

Weather permitting, a minimum of fifteen (15) minutes and a maximum of thirty (30) minutes of pre-
Contest warm-ups on the competition surface shall be provided prior to the start of each Contest. Practice
during the ten (10) minute halftime intermission, by Teams scheduled to play at a later starting
time that day, shall be PROHIBITED!
**SUSPENDED CONTEST**

Any PIAA Field Hockey Championship Contest interrupted due to events beyond the control of the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager, such as inclement weather, shall be continued from the point of suspension at a later time during the day of competition or the next playable day unless it is declared an official Contest because one (1) complete half or more of the Contest has been played and one (1) Team has scored the greater number of goals.

**CHAMPIONSHIPS (FINALS) STARTING TIMES**

Zephyr Sports Complex, Whitehall-Coplay SD, Whitehall, PA - Saturday, November 16, 2019

- 1A Championship - 10:00 a.m.
- 2A Championship – 12:00 pm
- 3A Championships – 2:00 pm

**OVERTIME PROCEDURE (REDUCED PLAYER [RP]) FOR PIAA DISTRICT AND INTER-DISTRICT FIELD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS**

1. For the PIAA District and Inter-District Field Hockey Championships there shall be two, 15 minute, RPSV overtime periods. Teams will change ends before the second 15 minute overtime, if needed. If the match is still tied after the second 15 minute, RPSV overtime one v. one shootouts will be administered.
2. There will be a 5 minute intermission between the game and the first overtime and between the first and second overtime.
3. One v. one shootouts will be taken if a tie still exists after the second, 15 minute, RPSV overtime period.
4. Each Coach shall present a list of 5 players and they will go in the order they listed (1 thru 5). The players must have played in the game (regulation or overtime).
5. The visiting captain calls the coin toss for the shootouts and chooses whether to defend or stroke.
6. If a tie still exists after the first set of shootouts, each coach will present a list of 5 players to the official and the shootouts will be taken by the players in the order they are listed to attempt “Sudden Victory” shots on an alternative basis. This procedure will continue until the tie is broken. The team not taking the first shot in the first set of shootouts will start the “Sudden Victory” shootouts.
7. The Team may substitute and change the stroking order during all intermissions.
8. If a green or yellow card is received in the second overtime period and the suspension time is not completed, that player may not participate in any one v. one shootouts.
9. The One v. One Shoot-Out shall be conducted with follow-up shots permitted.
10. To begin the One v. One Shoot-Out procedure the attacker stands on the 25-yard line and the goalkeeper stands on the goal line. (Both attacker and goalie may put both feet on line OR one foot on line to start).
11. The One v. One Shoot Out is completed under the following conditions:
   a. 10 Seconds has elapsed.
   b. A goal is scored.
   c. The attacker fouls or violates.
   d. The ball goes out of play over the end line or sideline. This includes the goalkeeper intentionally player the ball over the end line. (No Retake)
   e. The goalkeeper commits an unintentional foul within the circle, which does not prevent the probable scoring of a goal, the One-One One Shoot-Out is retaken.
   f. The goalkeeper commits a deliberate foul inside the 25 yard-line, but outside the circle, the One v. One Shootout is retaken. Example: Plays the ball outside the circle with her kicker.
   g. The ball becomes lodged in the goalkeeper’s protective equipment or clothing when she is in her own circle, the One v. one Shootout is retaken.
   h. A Penalty Stroke is awarded because:
      1) A goal probably would have been scored, if a foul by the goalkeeper had not occurred in the circle;
      2) Any deliberate foul committed by the goalkeeper inside the circle which stops a potential goal or deprives the attacker of actual or likely possession of the ball;
12. Any player eligible to participate in the One v. one Shootout may take a Penalty Stroke.
13. All the Penalty Stroke Provisions of Rule 11 apply in the taking of the Penalty Stroke
14. If during a One v. one Shoot-Out a player or goalkeeper is suspended (carded), the player or goalkeeper is prohibited from further participation in the One v. one Shoot-Out.