47th Girls’ and 87th Boys’ Annual PIAA Individual Golf Championships – FINALS MEMORANDUM

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY INTO PIAA CHAMPIONSHIPS
The 2020 PIAA Girls’ and Boys’ Team and Individual Golf Championships (“2020 PIAA Golf 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 girls’ and boys’ golf Coaches and all individuals that will participate in the 2020 PIAA Golf Championships and all persons who will have responsibilities involving these activities be 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. Failure to comply may result in removal from the 2020 PIAA Golf Championships.

PIAA member schools are not required to enter PIAA championship events. Entry and participation in the 2020 PIAA Golf Championships are voluntary. Entry into the 2020 PIAA Golf Championships signifies that the member school accepts the fact that the PIAA Executive Director, or the Executive Director’s designee, reserves the right to make changes in the management, operation, schedule and site of the 2020 PIAA Golf Championships if, in the judgment of the Executive Director, or the Executive Director’s designee, it becomes necessary to do so.

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PIAA Girls’ and Boys’ Golf Championships

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*Indicates Districts I & 12 are combined to form a Region in AA Girls; Districts II & IV are combined to form a Region in AAA Girls; Districts VIII & IX are combined to form a Region in AAA Boys; and Districts IX & X are combined to form a Region in AAA Girls.

NOTE: In individual stroke play, a qualifier must score 100 or less at the District qualifying tournament to advance to the PIAA Golf Championships.

CHAMPIONSHIPS DATES, SITE, AND START TIMES
The 2020 PIAA AA Girls’ and Boys’ Individual Golf Championships will be played on the Heritage Hills Golf Course, located along Mount Rose Avenue, York, PA. Final Round competition will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, October 19, 2020.

The 2020 PIAA AAA Girls’ and Boys’ Individual Golf Championships will be played on the Heritage Hills Golf Course, located along Mount Rose Avenue, York, PA. Final Round competition will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 20, 2020.
2020 PRACTICE ROUND PROCEDURES AND SCHEDULES
FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS QUALIFIERS

Practice or playing on the Championship course on the day of the competition prior to the starting time is prohibited; the penalty for doing so is disqualification (USGA Rule 7-1b). Teams desiring to arrange a Practice round prior to the day of competition at the Championship site may do so by calling the Heritage Hills Golf Course at (717) 755-0123. Tee times will be held for Sunday, October 18 and following Monday’s competition for 3A qualifiers. Schools are requested to call no later than Friday, October 16 to confirm practice times, if interested.

PIAA will not provide for a Practice round at the Championship site. It is the responsibility of the school to make the necessary arrangements if a Practice round is desired for their qualifiers. Heritage Hills Golf Course will accommodate Practice rounds after Individual Tournament play has been concluded on the starting holes on the afternoon of Monday, October 19. Practice rounds will be accommodated at the PIAA-negotiated discounted rate of $35.00 for each qualifier. Qualifying schools must provide payment for each Practice round to the Heritage Hills Pro Shop prior their participation.

DRIVING RANGE

The driving range will be made available to contestants. Range balls will be provided at no charge the morning of each day of competition. At all other times, including the Practice round, range balls may be rented at Heritage Hills Golf Resort.

LODGING AND MEALS

Lodging is available at Heritage Hills Golf Resort and Conference Center; however, it will NOT be provided by PIAA. If needed, a representative of each participating school must make arrangements for lodging and meals, as required, for the school’s qualifiers and Coaches. A listing of hotels and motels in the York area is available on the PIAA Web site at www.piaa.org/golf.

Lodging information and room availability can be accessed by contacting Heritage Hills Golf Resort and Conference Center at 877-STAY-PLAY and referring to booking ID PIA2020. In the event Heritage Hills no longer has lodging available, the Heritage Hills Front Desk Representative will advise of other properties to contact for lodging. Additional lodging information may be obtained through the York County Convention and Visitors Bureau Web site at www.yorkpa.org or by calling 1-888-858-YORK.

Additional information may be accessed on the PIAA Web site at www.piaa.org/golf.

REGISTRATION

Registration for the Individual Championships will be conducted adjacent to the tenth tee starting area of the Heritage Hills Golf Course from 7:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. for AA on Monday, October 19, 2020.

Registration for the Individual Championships will be conducted adjacent to the tenth tee starting area of the Heritage Hills Golf Course from 7:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. for AAA on Tuesday, October 20, 2020.

Coaches accompanying contestants will be required to serve as forecaddies and/or markers and marshals at the time they register their contestants.

Registration packets will include:

1. Complimentary 2020 PIAA Golf Championships Bag Tag;
2. One (1) PIAA Golf Championships souvenir program per qualifier and per Coach; and

Note: There will be no registration or coaches’ meeting held on Sunday, October 18, 2020.

ENTRY FEES

It is the responsibility of each PIAA-member school that has qualified an individual(s) to the 2020 PIAA Golf Championships to provide payment for the round of competition at the PIAA-negotiated discounted rate of $35 per player/per round. Qualifying schools will be invoiced from the PIAA Office for the appropriate number of rounds completed by golfers representing their school, following competition.
FORECADDIES, MARKERS, AND MARSHALS FOR INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENTS

Coaches accompanying contestants will be required to serve as forecaddies, markers, and/or marshals during the rounds of competition. One (1) Coach will be assigned to each foursome to:

1. Accompany, in a cart, an assigned group around the course;
2. Forecaddie each hole played by the assigned group;
3. Record on a worksheet all strokes for each competitor playing with the assigned group;
4. Marshal parents, spectators, and the media who choose to walk or who are permitted to ride the course BEHIND the contestants;
5. Submit a completed and signed score sheet at the conclusion of each round to the Tournament Scorer.

PIAA will provide a pad holder to each Coach for serving as a forecaddie, marker, and marshal. Coaches are advised to bring the following items to the PIAA Individual Golf Championships:

1. Plastic cover for pad holder.
2. Extra pencils with erasers.
3. Appropriate outerwear to protect against the elements (rain gear is required!).
4. Golf shoes with alternative spikes or walking shoes.

Refusal on the part of a Coach to forecaddie, mark, and/or marshal both days of the respective Tournaments shall subject the contestant(s) from the Coach's school to disqualification from the Tournament.

Marker assignments, by school, will be posted adjacent to first and final round starting assignments on the PIAA Website.

INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT FORMAT AND STARTING TIMES

United States Golf Association (USGA) Rules of Golf will govern all play with the exception of existing local golf course rules.

Contestants must report to the starter ten (10) minutes prior to their scheduled starting times. Contestants must be prepared to play in inclement weather. In case of inclement weather, the PIAA Golf Championships Tournament Director will decide to play, modify, postpone, or cancel the Tournament depending on the severity of the weather conditions and/or the condition of the golf course.

All contestants will play eighteen (18) holes of stroke play, keep the score of an opponent, verify their score and an opponent's score by signing their scorecard and the opponent's scorecard, and submit signed scorecards to the Tournament Scorer at the conclusion of each round.

Foursomes for the first round will be established, prior to the start of the Tournament, with the highest District place finishers, both girls and boys, scheduled to tee-off starting at 8:30 a.m., and continuing in descending order according to District finish.

Place winners for the AA and AAA individual Tournaments will be determined by stroke play through eighteen (18) holes of the Tournament.

If required, playoffs to determine a champion will be conducted immediately following the conclusion of the Championship round. A first place playoff, if necessary, will begin with an assigned hole, on a sudden victory basis, and will continue until a champion is determined. Ties for all other place finishers will remain as earned.

Medals for the top five (5) female place winners and top ten (10) male place winners, respectively, will be awarded, including any ties for second (2nd) through fifth (5th) or tenth (10th) place, respectively.

Final results from the Individual Tournament will be available on the PIAA Web site at www.piaa.org/golf.
CONTESTANTS' ATTIRE
All golf contestants are required to wear appropriate golf attire (i.e. school-issued golf shirt and golf slacks or golf shorts). No exceptions are permitted. T-shirts, altered apparel, jeans, and advertisements (other than one visible logo/trademark not exceeding 2¼ square inches and not exceeding 2½ inches in any dimension on a school-issued golf shirt, and golf slacks or golf shorts) will not be permitted. The contestants’ school name/nickname and/or school logo are permitted on the front and/or back of the school-issued golf shirt and/or cap or visor. Sweaters and/or jackets will be permitted when necessitated by weather conditions.

CONDUCT OF PLAYERS
A two-stroke penalty shall be assessed for conduct unbecoming an interscholastic golfer. Such conduct shall include, but is not limited to, club throwing, defined as releasing club in anger or in a manner to cause harm to any person or to the golf course; use of abusive language; willful acts which damage property or equipment of the golf course; or other unbecoming conduct, as determined by the Tournament Director.

USE OF A CADDIE OR MOTORIZED CART PROHIBITED
The use of a caddie or motorized cart during Practice or competition rounds WILL NOT be permitted. Contestants will be permitted the use of a non-motorized push cart, or to carry their clubs and will be required to walk the course during the competition round(s). Pull carts will not be available for rent from Heritage Hills Golf Resort and Conference Center.

USE OF RANGE FINDERS DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES
During Regular Season and Postseason golf Contests, players are authorized to use devices that measure or gauge distance only. The device must not be used for any purposes that are prohibited by Rule 14-3, including but not limited to:

- the gauging or measuring of slope;
- the gauging or measuring of other conditions that might affect play (e.g. wind speed or directions);
- recommendations that might assist the player in making a stroke in his play (e.g. club selection, type of shot to be played, green reading or any other advice related matter); or
- calculating the effective distance between two points based on the elevation changes or other conditions affecting shot distance.

A multifunctional device, such as a smartphone or PDA, may be used as a distance measuring-device, but it must not be used to gauge or measure other conditions where doing so would be a breach of Rule 14-3.

USE OF DRONES
For the purposes of this policy, a drone is any unmanned aerial device ("UAV").

Drones are not permitted above the competition surface or spectator areas during interscholastic Contests, Inter-school Practices or Scrimmages. Drones may not be used to scout opposing team Practices. Member schools may utilize drones for their own school team practice sessions based upon their local school policies.

Persons and/or schools violating this Policy shall be subject to sanctions which may be imposed under Sections 5, 6, 7 and/or 9 of ARTICLE XIII, PENALTIES, of the PIAA By-Laws.

Upon timely requests submitted to PIAA, the Executive Director is authorized to grant exceptions to this policy on a case-by-case basis for PIAA broadcast partners in conjunction with any host school/facility local policies.
DIRECTIONS TO HERITAGE HILLS GOLF RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER
FROM THE NORTHEAST: Follow I-81 South to I-83 South. Take I-83 South to Exit 18 (Mt. Rose Avenue). Off the exit, turn RIGHT. Follow Mt. Rose Avenue past the Burger King and Pizza Hut up the hill. Heritage Hills is on the RIGHT.

FROM THE EAST: Follow I-76 PA Turnpike (heading west) to Exit 286. Follow under the overpass and make a LEFT onto Rt. 222 South to Rt. 30 West. Take Rt. 30 West until you come to Mt. Zion Rd. Exit. Take Mt. Zion Rd. exit to light and turn LEFT. Follow Mt. Zion Rd. up the hill to Prospect St./Mt. Rose Avenue. Make a RIGHT turn and Heritage Hills is on the LEFT.

FROM THE WEST: Follow I-76 PA Turnpike (heading east) to exit 242, I-83 South. Take I-83 South to Exit 18 (Mt. Rose Avenue). Off the exit, turn RIGHT. Follow Mt. Rose Avenue past the Burger King and Pizza Hut up the hill. Heritage Hills is on the RIGHT.

FROM THE NORTHWEST: Follow I-79 South to I-76 PA Turnpike East. Follow I-76 PA Turnpike (heading east) to exit 247, I-83 South. Take I-83 South to Exit 18 (Mt. Rose Avenue). Off the exit, turn RIGHT. Follow Mt. Rose Avenue past the Burger King and Pizza Hut up the hill. Heritage Hills is on the RIGHT.

CHAMPIONSHIP MERCHANDISE AND PROGRAMS
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 Golf Championships on Monday, October 19 and Tuesday, and October 20, 2020. All items will be available adjacent to the Heritage Hills Golf Resort Pro Shop 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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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Mr. Mark E. Byers, PIAA Chief Operating Officer, and Mr. Patrick B. Gebhart, PIAA Assistant Executive Director, will serve as the 2020 PIAA Golf Championships Co-Tournament Directors.

Starting Times and marker assignments will be posted to the PIAA Website in advance of the championships.

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