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**COMPETITION FORMULA**

MECHANICSBURG – The Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc. (PIAA) releases results from the Winter Sports Season Competition Formula.

Since the Competition Formula’s adoption by the PIAA Board of Directors in 2018, 166 teams have been identified. This is the third classification cycle the Competition Formula has been in effect. In 2023, the Board of Directors expanded the Competition Formula to include all team sports. Currently, 17-PIAA sports are governed by the Formula.

This winter, 46 PIAA Member Schools were identified by the Competition Formula. Of those 46 schools, 27 schools provided documentation to support staying in their current classification or drop back down in classification. Seventeen schools, however, are slated to go up in classification, with one school of those 17 schools appealing to the Board of Directors.

By way of explanation, the Competition Formula identifies potential transfers by comparing school submitted eligibility lists for each respective sport from in the two-year cycle. Each school provides source documentation to determine the potential transfers and success of that sport, which, in turn, determines the classification of the sport.

To move up a classification under the Competition Formula, PIAA Member Schools must have the following:

- Sport (Enrollment) Classification + Success Factor + Athletic Transfer(s) = Competition Classification.
- 6 or more success points and 1 or more athletic transfers are needed to move up a classification.

Appeals to the Board of Directors are limited to a mathematical error in the assignment of Success Points or asserted errors in the assignment of the number of transfers<sup>1</sup>. With the success factor and transfers, it is presumed that the team will be competitive at the next classification level for at least the next two-year cycle<sup>2</sup>.

One school appealed to the PIAA Board of Directors. The Board denied the appeal and the school will stay in their current classification.

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<sup>1</sup> PIAA Handbook, Policies and Procedures page 108

<sup>2</sup> PIAA Handbook, Policies and Procedures page 108



### Boys Basketball Classifications for the 2024-25 & 2025-26 sports seasons

- Aliquippa
  - Will be classified as 3A
- Archbishop Ryan
  - Will be classified as 6A
- Berlin Brothersvalley
  - Will be classified as 2A
- Deer Lakes
  - Will be classified as 4A
- Devon Prep
  - Will be classified as 4A
- Holy Cross
  - Will be classified as 3A
- Imani Christian\*
  - Will be classified as 6A
- Imhotep Charter
  - Will be classified as 6A
- Lancaster Mennonite
  - Will be classified as 3A
- Lincoln Park
  - Will be classified as 5A
- Linville Hill
  - Will be classified as 2A
- Math, Civics & Science
  - Will be classified as 4A
- Neumann Goretti
  - Will be classified as 5A

### Girls Basketball Classifications for the 2024-25 & 2025-26 sports seasons

- Greensburg CC
  - Will be classified as 3A
- Lancaster Catholic
  - Will be classified as 4A
- Westmont Hilltop
  - Will be classified as 4A



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Wrestling Classifications for the 2024-25 & 2025-26 sports seasons

- Notre Dame Green Pond
  - Will be classified as 3A

\*Denotes voluntary upgrade to the classification