



Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc.

33RD FIELD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

PIAA member schools are not required to enter PIAA championship events. Entry and participation in the 2006 PIAA Field Hockey Championships are voluntary. Entry into the 2006 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 2006 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

A representative of each school that qualifies a Team for the 2006 PIAA Field Hockey Championships must complete the electronic Team Information Form found on the PIAA Web site at [www.piaa.org \(sports-field hockey\)](http://www.piaa.org/sports-field-hockey); prior to participating in its first PIAA Field Hockey Championship Contest.

Member schools advancing a Team to a 2006 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 steve@hugginsprinting.com.
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 RESUBMISSION OF THE ELECTRONIC TEAM INFORMATION FORM AND FORWARDING AN APPROPRIATE TEAM PICTURE IS 4:30 P.M., MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2006. NO EXCEPTIONS!

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

The PIAA Field Hockey Championships are scheduled on a regional basis for Tuesday, November 7 (first round); Saturday, November 11 (quarterfinals); and Tuesday, November 14 (semi-finals). The championships (finals) are scheduled to be played at J. Birney Crum Stadium, Allentown, PA, on Saturday, November 18, 2006.

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

The Team listed at the TOP of the pairing in each of the brackets will be the HOME Team for the first round, quarterfinal, and semi-final Contests. It is required that participating member schools outfit their Teams, as set forth under National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Field Hockey Rules 1-5, 6, and 7; and Interpretations thereof. In the event of a similarity of color, the home Team shall be responsible for making the necessary change. For the Championship (Final) Contests, the Teams listed at the TOP of the bracket will be the HOME Team.

TEAM ADMISSION TO CONTEST

Teams participating in the 2006 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.

CONTEST BALLS, BALL HOLDERS, AND EQUIPMENT

EACH PIAA-APPOINTED CONTEST MANAGER has been provided with five (5) Longstreth Chingford field hockey balls, the "Official Ball" of the PIAA Field Hockey Championships, to distribute to advancing schools for use during the 2006 PIAA Field Hockey Championships, first round to final, inclusive.

EACH SCHOOL is responsible for providing two (2) BALL HOLDERS for each field hockey Contest, first round to final, inclusive. Ball holders 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.



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:

First Round through Semi-Final Round:	\$6.00 Adult	\$3.00 Student
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.

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!

PRE-CONTEST MEETING

The Principal, Athletic Director, head field hockey coach, and cheerleading advisor of each school participating in the 2006 PIAA Field Hockey Championships are required to meet with the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager and Contest officials fifteen (15) minutes prior to the starting time of each Contest in front of the officials' table. 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.

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.

CHAMPIONSHIP (FINAL) CONTESTS CONFERENCE CALL

Schools that advance to a PIAA Field Hockey Championship (Final) Contest will be invited to participate in the 2006 PIAA FIELD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS FINALISTS CONFERENCE CALL, which is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 15, 2006.

EACH FINALIST IS REQUIRED TO HAVE EITHER THE PRINCIPAL OR ATHLETIC DIRECTOR CALL THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AND ENTER THE ACCESS CODE, WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED TO A REPRESENTATIVE OF EACH FINALIST BY THE CONTEST MANAGER OF THE RESPECTIVE SEMI-FINAL CONTESTS, AND PARTICIPATE IN THE 2006 PIAA FIELD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS FINALISTS CONFERENCE CALL, AS SET FORTH ABOVE.

CHAMPIONSHIPS (FINALS) STARTING TIMES

J. Birney Crum Stadium, Allentown, PA - Saturday, November 18, 2006

AA Championship - 10:00 a.m.

AAA Championship - 12:00 p.m.

DIRECTIONS TO J. BIRNEY CRUM STADIUM, ALLENTOWN

FROM THE EAST: Use US 22 West to the 15th St. Exit. Veer left off of ramp to signal light. At signal light turn left onto 15th St. Proceed south on 15th St. to Linden St. (10th signal light). Turn right onto Linden St. and proceed past William Allen High School to J. Birney Crum Stadium.

FROM THE WEST: Points north should use either I-476 South (Northeast Extension) or PA 309 South to US 22 East to Cedar Crest Blvd. Exit 55. At the top of the ramp turn left onto Cedar Crest Blvd. and proceed to Parkway Blvd. (fourth signal light). Turn left onto Parkway Blvd. and proceed approximately 1.5 miles to J. Birney Crum Stadium. Points south should use I-476 North (Northeast Extension) to I-78 East to Cedar Crest Blvd. Exit 55. At the bottom of the ramp turn right onto Cedar Crest Blvd. and proceed to Parkway Blvd. (5th signal light). Turn right onto Parkway Blvd. and proceed approximately 1.5 miles to J. Birney Crum Stadium.

**POLICY REGARDING CRITERIA TO BE UTILIZED IN CONSIDERING
SELECTION OF SITES FOR DISTRICT AND/OR INTER-DISTRICT
CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS**

The following criteria are used by PIAA in assessing the suitability of sites to host PIAA District and/or Inter-District Championship Contests:

- Quality of the Contest site competition surface.
- Location of the Contest site.
- Accessibility to the Contest site.
- Contest site Emergency Response Plan (ERP).
- Contest site handicapped parking areas and handicapped accessibility to facility, spectator seating, and restrooms.
- Contest site parking areas.
- Contest site security.
- Contest site spectator seating.
- Contest site restroom facilities.
- Contest site locker room and athletic training facilities.
- Number of telephone lines available to the broadcasting and/or print media.
- Ability to properly display the American Flag and ability to play the National Anthem, prior to the start of each Contest.

If a site proposing to host a Contest, or being asked to host a Contest, is aware of a deficiency in any of the above criteria, such deficiency shall be disclosed to PIAA prior to the selection of the site to host a Contest.

Sport-specific and other relevant criteria may be considered as appropriate under the circumstances. A deficiency in one or more of the criteria shall not, in itself, disqualify a site but such deficiency shall be weighed against the other criteria and the availability of other qualified sites.

**POLICY REGARDING CRITERIA TO BE UTILIZED IN DETERMINING
ENTRY ROUND INTER-DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP
CONTEST SITES IN THE SPORT OF FIELD HOCKEY**

The following criteria are used by PIAA in determining entry round Inter-District Championship Contest sites in the sport of field hockey:

- Availability of Inter-District Championship Contest sites.
- Suitability of Contest sites, pursuant to the Policy Regarding Criteria To Be Utilized In Considering Selection Of Sites For District And/Or Inter-District Championship Contests.
- Suitability of Contest sites for hosting multiple Contests in a sport.
- Contest sites geographically located in the PIAA District of the member school listed at the top of the Inter-District Championship brackets (pairings).
- Contiguous nature of involved PIAA Districts.

Sport-specific and other relevant criteria may be considered as appropriate under the circumstances.

**POLICY REGARDING CRITERIA TO BE UTILIZED IN DETERMINING SECOND AND
SUBSEQUENT ROUND (OTHER THAN FINAL ROUND) INTER-DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP
CONTEST SITES IN THE SPORT OF FIELD HOCKEY**

The following criteria are used by PIAA in determining second and subsequent round (other than final round) Inter-District Championship Contest sites in the sport of field hockey:

- Availability of Inter-District Championship Contest sites.
- Suitability of Contest sites, pursuant to the Policy Regarding Criteria To Be Utilized In Considering Selection Of Sites For District And/Or Inter-District Championship Contests.
- Suitability of Contest sites for hosting multiple Contests in a sport.
- Contest sites geographically located as close to midway or an equal distance travel point between the competing member schools, as possible.

Sport-specific and other relevant criteria may be considered as appropriate under the circumstances.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Mrs. Melissa N. Mertz, PIAA Assistant Executive Director, will serve as the 2006 PIAA Field Hockey Championships Tournament Director.

Mr. Gregory G. Biller, PIAA Director of Business Affairs, will serve as the 2006 PIAA Field Hockey Championships Assistant Tournament Director.

For further championships information, access the PIAA Web site at www.piaa.org (sports-field hockey) or contact PIAA at (717) 697-0374 or (800) 382-1392.

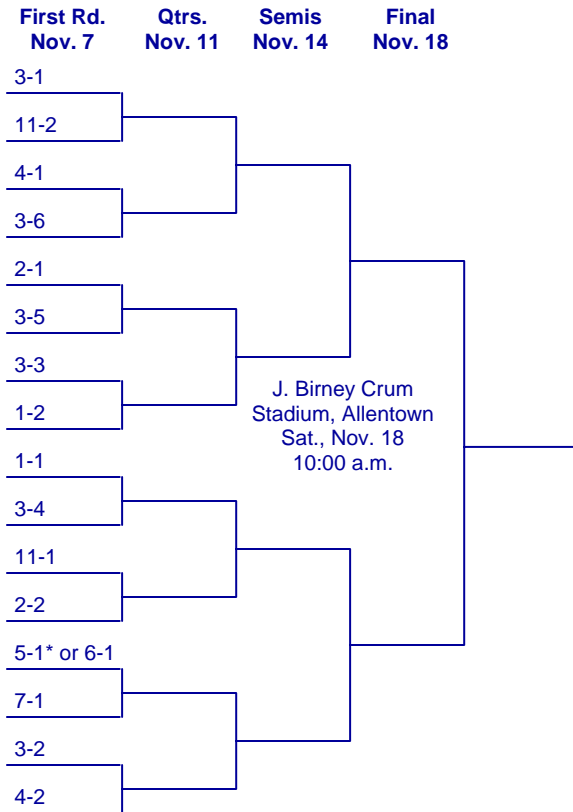
**OVERTIME PROCEDURE (REDUCED PLAYER [RP]) FOR
PIAA DISTRICT AND INTER-DISTRICT FIELD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS**

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 penalty strokes 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. Penalty strokes 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 stokers and the player must stroke in the order listed (1 thru 5).
5. The stokers must have played in the game (regulation or overtime).
6. The visiting captain calls the coin toss for the penalty strokes and chooses whether to defend or stroke.
7. If a tie still exists after the first set of penalty strokes, a second set will be taken. The team not stroking first in the first set of penalty strokes shall start the second set.
8. If no decision is reached after the second set of penalty strokes, a "sudden victory" shall be in effect. The team stroking first in the first set of strokes shall begin the "sudden victory".
9. The team may substitute and change the stroking order during all intermissions.
10. If a yellow card is received in the second, 15 minute overtime, that player may not participate in penalty strokes.

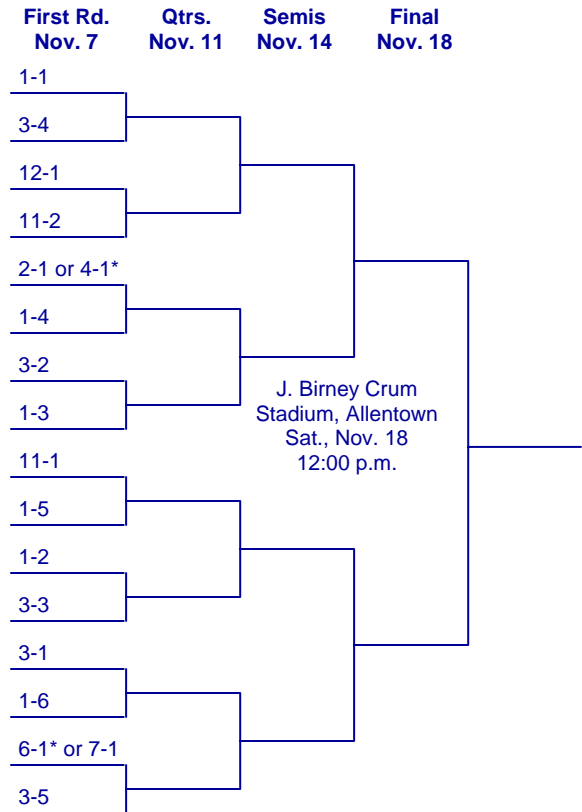
For the PIAA Field Hockey Championships (Finals) there shall be **two** 15 minute, RPSV overtime periods. Teams will change ends before the second 15 minute overtime, if necessary. If the match is still tied after the second 15 minute RPSV overtime, co-champions will be declared.

2006 PIAA FIELD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS BRACKETS

2006 PIAA AA Field Hockey Championship



2006 PIAA AAA Field Hockey Championship



*indicates District combined with another District to form a Region.