



***HANDBOOK***

***2020 - 2021***

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## Forms

These forms can be found on the PIAA website under “Forms”, [www.piaa.org](http://www.piaa.org).

- PIAA Foreign Exchange Student/International Agreement
- PIAA Athletic Transfer Waiver Request
- PIAA Comprehensive Initial Pre-participation Physical Evaluation
- PIAA Pole Vault Verification Form

Procedural Standards for District Committees can be found on the PIAA website under “Resources”, Handbook: Section II, PIAA Policies and Procedures, [www.piaa.org](http://www.piaa.org).

## **THE DISTRICT 6 COMMITTEE**

According to Article V, Section 1 of the PIAA Constitution, District 6 will encompass the member schools in the following counties: Blair, Cambria, Centre, Clearfield, Clinton, Huntingdon, Indiana, and Mifflin.

### **COMPOSITION**

#### **Voting Members of the District 6 Committee**

One (1) Superintendents Representative of a member School District  
Six (6) Representatives of member Senior High Schools (Grades 10-12)  
Two (2) Representatives of member Junior High Schools (Grades 7-9)  
One (1) School Board Representative appointed by the Board of Directors  
of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association  
Two (2) Athletic Director Representative  
One (1) Girls' Athletic Representative  
One (1) Private School Representative  
Two (2) Officials' Representative  
Two (2) Parent Advisory Members

#### **Executive Committee for the 2020-2021 School Year**

William Marshall, Chairman – Penn Cambria School District  
Ralph Cecere, Vice Chairman – Portage Area High School  
Michael Hudak, Secretary  
Sherry Montgomery, Treasurer – Non-voting  
Jacquelyn Mento, Recording Secretary – Non-voting

#### **Superintendent Representative 2020-2022**

William Marshall - Penn Cambria School District

#### **Senior High Representatives for 2020-2021**

Ralph Cecere - Portage Area High School  
Ken Kerchenske - Cambria Heights High School  
Matthew Jioio - Marion Center High School  
Jody Rainey - Homer-Center School District  
Curt Vasas - Forest Hills High School  
Stephen Shutters – West Shamokin Jr-Sr High School

#### **Junior High Representatives for 2020-2022**

Brandon Bailey - Richland School District  
Jarrod Lewis - Cambria Heights School District

#### **Representatives**

Molly Pomeroy-Hoover - Parent Advisory (2022)  
Michael Cacciotti - Private Schools' Representative  
Susan Kovensky - Women Officials' Representative (2022)  
Rudy McCarthy - Parent Advisory (2021)  
Charles Glasser - School Board Representative  
Lorie Ratchford - Girls' Athletic Representative (2021)  
Michael Hudak - Men Officials' Representative (2021)  
Gary Jubas - Legal Advisor  
Joe Gironda - Athletic Director Representative (2022)  
Phil Riccio - Athletic Director Representative (2021)

## **COMMITTEE SELECTION**

Member schools may send written nominations to the District 6 Secretary/Treasurer for the six senior high representatives, for the 2021-2022 school year from February 1<sup>st</sup> through March 15<sup>th</sup>. Nominees must be certified by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and must be professional employees of a District 6-member school.

### **The Election Procedure**

In the February or March minutes each year, the election procedures will be described and will include a deadline for the nomination of candidates to be placed on the election ballot. Candidates must hold an administrative position in the school district. Nominations must be forwarded to the Secretary/Treasurer on school letterhead prior to the deadline date that will be posted in the minutes. Ballots will be prepared with the names of the nominees' chosen in random order and will be mailed to each principal of a PIAA participating school. Completed ballots are to be signed by the principal and placed in a sealed envelope. Ballots will be mailed to the Secretary/Treasurer who will give them to the Election Committee. The Election Committee will consist of administrators from three schools, which do not have candidates from their schools on the ballot. The Election Committee will open the sealed ballots and tally the results at the Annual Meeting on **April 21, 2021**. The results will be announced at that meeting.

### **Representatives are Elected as Follows:**

**The Athletic Director Representative** serves a two-year term and is nominated and elected by the athletic directors of the District 6-member schools.

**The School Board Representative** serves a two-year term and is appointed by the Pennsylvania School Board Association.

**The Officials' Representative** serves a two-year term. PIAA District 6 registered official's elect one male representative and one female representative.

**The Private Schools' Representative** serves a one-year term and is elected by the private schools, which are members of District 6.

**The Girls' Athletic Representative** serves a two-year term and is elected by principals of member schools.

**The Parents Representative** serves a three-year term. A male and female parent representative will each serve a three-year term. Parents should have a son or daughter enrolled in a District 6 school during their tenure. Terms should be staggered so that both representatives are not going off the Board at the same time. Interested parents may apply or be recruited during the conclusion of the previous representative term, with final selection from all applications determined by majority vote of the District 6 Committee.

## **POWERS AND DUTIES**

The District Committee shall have the following powers and duties subject to exercise by the Board of Directors of its powers as provided in Article VII, Section 1 of the PIAA Constitution and By-Laws.

- A. To have general control within the District over all interscholastic athletic relations and athletic contest in which a member school participates, subject to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Board of Directors.
- B. To render, within the District, an opinion on the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association.
- C. To elect its own officers and establish rules of procedure.
- D. To administer the finances of the District Committee.
- E. To decide matters in dispute between member schools located within the District. No member of the District Committee shall be eligible to vote in case of a dispute involving such member's school.
- F. To receive, request, or require data on alleged violations of the Constitution and By-Laws by or from schools located within the District. In assuming this responsibility, the District Committee shall not be required to assume the position of investigator. Charges of violations against the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association by a member school shall be made to the Chair of the District Committee in writing, and if requested by the District Committee. Such evidence shall be presented in the form of affidavits.
- G. To fix and enforce penalties, within the District, for violation of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association, within the limits prescribed by the By-Laws.
- H. To have general control of District Championship Contests and District Interscholastic Meets.
- I. To act with the Board of Directors in the transfer of schools from one district to another.
- J. A District Committee shall have such other powers within the District as are in keeping with the growth and needs of the Association and which are consistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of the PIAA.
- K. A majority of its members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of the District Committee except in cases where a three-fourths or unanimous vote of the entire committee is required.

**MEETING DATES**  
**2020 - 2021**

**The District 6 Committee meets on the following dates:**

Wednesday, September 2	3:30 PM	Penn Cambria HS Cafeteria
Thursday, October 1	3:30 PM	Penn Cambria HS Cafeteria
Wednesday, November 4	3:30 PM	Penn Cambria HS Library
Thursday, December 10	TBD	
Wednesday, January 6	3:30 PM	Penn Cambria HS Library
Wednesday, February 3	3:30 PM	Penn Cambria HS Library
Wednesday, March 3	3:30 PM	Penn Cambria HS Library
*Wednesday, April 21	4 - 6 PM	Blair County Convention Center
Wednesday, May 5	3:30 PM	Penn Cambria HS Library
Wednesday, June 16	TBD	
Wednesday, August 4	9:00 AM	Ebensburg Country Club
*Annual Meeting		

## PIAA DISTRICT 6 COMMITTEE

Name	Office Address	Office/Home Phone	FAX Number
<b>William Marshall Chairman</b>	Penn Cambria School District 201 6 <sup>th</sup> Street Cresson, PA 16630	814-886-8121 Ext. 1003 marshaww@pcam.org	814-886-4809
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Lorie Ratchford	Bishop Carroll High School 728 Ben Franklin Highway Ebensburg, PA 15931	814-472-7500 Ext. 106 lratchford@bishopcarroll.org	814-472-8020
Phil Riccio	Altoona Area High School 1415 Sixth Avenue Altoona, PA 16602	814-946-8289 priccio@aasdcad.com	814-946-8578
Stephen Shutters	West Shamokin Jr-Sr High School 178 Wolf Drive Rural Valley, PA 16249	724-783-7040 sshutters@asd.k12.pa.us	724-783-6747
Curt Vasas	Forest Hills High School 535 Locust Street Sidman, PA 15955	814-487-7613 Ext. 3700 cvasas@fhrangers.org	814-487-4605
Curtis Whitesel	Homer-Center School District 65 Wildcat Lane Homer City, PA 15748	724-479-8080 cwhitesel@homercenter.org	724-479-3967



## **2020-2021 DISTRICT 6 COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

### **Basketball Officials Assignments**

Michael Hudak  
Susan Kovensky  
Evaluators

### **Finance Committee**

William Marshall  
Ralph Cecere  
Michael Hudak  
Phil Riccio

### **Football Officials Assignments**

Michael Hudak  
Evaluators

### **Official Assignments for All Other Sports**

Michael Hudak  
Susan Kovensky  
Sports Chairperson  
Evaluators

### **Sportsmanship Award**

Jody Rainey  
William Marshall

### **Dean Rossi Scholarship Coordinator**

Curtis Whitesel

## 2020-2021 DISTRICT 6 SPORTS COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

<b>Baseball</b> Curt Vasas	<b>Soccer</b> Michael Cacciotti Susan Kovensky
<b>Basketball</b> Michael Hudak William Marshall Ralph Cecere	<b>Softball</b> Brandon Bailey Robert Sauerwein
<b>Cheerleading</b> Ken Kerchenske	<b>Swimming and Diving</b> Curtis Whitesel
<b>Cross Country</b> Joe Gironda	<b>Tennis</b> Phil Riccio
<b>Field Hockey</b> Susan Kovensky	<b>Track and Field</b> Phil Riccio
<b>Football</b> Ralph Cecere Phil Riccio	<b>Trophies</b> Jody Rainey
<b>Golf</b> Michael Hudak	<b>Volleyball</b> Lorie Ratchford Joe Gironda
<b>Lacrosse</b> Susan Kovensky	<b>Wrestling</b> Phil Riccio
<b>Promotions</b> Jody Rainey	<b>Dean Rossi Scholarship Coordinator</b> Curtis Whitesel

## **PIAA CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT**

The Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc. (PIAA) requires that each person serving as a member of the Board of Directors, a District Committee, or an agent or employee of the PIAA, perform his or her duties without influence or the appearance of influence by any other business or financial interest of such person.

Potential conflicts of interest include, but are not limited to, a person's direct financial interest in a company or product which could be affected by a decision of the Board of Directors or a District Committee on which the person serves.

The PIAA is not critical of such interests. It merely requests that persons disqualify themselves from PIAA decisions on matters relating to such interests.

If a member of the Board of Directors, a District Committee, or an agent or employee of the PIAA, should have or develop a conflict of interest, such person shall:

- 1) Immediately identify the conflict in writing to the president and/or executive director, or the District Chairman, as applicable; and
- 2) Remove him or her from any discussion or decisions involving the matter in conflict.

In case of doubt about the existence of a conflict, a member should submit the question and the relevant facts to the president and/or executive director, or the District Chairman, as applicable, for a decision.

## **OPEN MEETING POLICY**

### **Purpose**

To increase member school and public awareness of and input to PIAA governance functions, by clarifying criteria and procedures for member school and public access to PIAA Board of Directors meetings.

### **Open Meetings**

Meetings of the PIAA Board of Directors and its committees shall be open, except where closed as set forth in this policy. "Meetings" as used in this policy includes prearranged gatherings of the Board of Directors or its committees, attended by a quorum of members, at which official action on PIAA business is to be considered or taken. "Meetings" does not include training sessions, ceremonial functions, or other informal gatherings not convened for the purpose of considering or taking official action on PIAA business.

### **Notice**

Notice of the date, time and place of all open meetings of the Board of Directors and its committees shall be made available through: The PIAA Calendar, the PIAA Quarterly, when timeliness permits, including publication of the approved regular yearly schedule of meetings, posting on the PIAA web site at [www.piaa.org](http://www.piaa.org)., and news releases to statewide electronic/print media outlets.

### **Regular Meetings**

Notice of all regularly scheduled meetings shall be provided at least three (3) calendar days prior to the time of the meeting. It is not necessary to provide additional separate notice for meetings taking place in accordance with a master schedule which has been publicized annually or at other intervals using the means listed above.

### **Special Meetings**

Notice of any special meetings shall be given at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time of the meeting, except that such notice shall not be necessary when a special meeting is called to deal with a real or potential emergency involving immediate risk to life, property, the legal or financial interests of PIAA, or other matters requiring immediate action by the Board of Directors or one of its committees.

Special meetings can be called by the president or by request of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors.

The committee chairperson or a majority of the designated committee members can call committee meetings.

## **Minutes**

The Board of Directors shall cause to be made and shall retain as a permanent record of the organization, minutes of all open meetings of the Board of Directors. The minutes shall summarize the substance of all official action taken by the Board of Directors and shall be approved at the next succeeding meeting of the Board of Directors.

The approved minutes shall be made available to the member schools upon request, and a list of the actions taken shall be published on the PIAA Web site at [www.piaa.org](http://www.piaa.org).

## **Publication of Minutes and Availability of PIAA Quarterly**

The official information publication of PIAA shall be known as the PIAA Quarterly. The PIAA Quarterly shall be posted on the PIAA Web site and made available to any person upon written request providing the address to which it is to be mailed.

## **Executive Session**

The Board of Directors and its committees may meet in executive session before, during, or at the conclusion of an open meeting, or at other times, at the call of the presiding officer or upon motion approved by a majority of the members. Executive sessions may be convened for the purpose of discussing or considering any of the following matters:

- a. labor relations and other employment issues relating to PIAA employees, officials or appointees, whether paid or unpaid; purchase or lease of real estate; pending or potential litigation and other legal issues; adjudicative functions, including hearings and appeals; other matters which should be discussed or conducted in private in order to protect individual privacy interests, to preserve a lawful privilege or confidentiality, or to avoid harm to the legal or financial interests of PIAA.

The presiding officer shall announce, at the open meeting preceding or following the executive session, which of the foregoing categories of matters was the reason for which the executive session was called.

Official action based on discussions held in executive session shall be taken at an open meeting, except with respect to situations in which taking action at an open meeting would result in the disclosure of information protected by individual privacy, lawful privilege or confidentiality, or would cause harm to PIAA legal or financial interests.

**Member School and Public Participation**

In recognition of the value to the organization of member school and public comment on issues affecting the Board of Director's responsibility for interscholastic athletic competition, the Board of Directors shall provide an opportunity for attendees to comment on matters before the Board of Directors, prior to official action by the Board of Directors. Member school representatives shall be given priority in the scheduling of open discussion time periods.

Comments by representatives of member schools and the public attending meetings shall be made at the beginning of each meeting and shall be limited in time to no more than three (3) minutes per individual, unless, upon advance written request the presiding officer permits a longer presentation in special circumstances. The individual time limit may be further shortened to accommodate larger numbers of persons wishing to speak.

The portion of the meeting devoted to comment shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes, unless extended by the Board of Directors for special reasons.

**Agenda**

Attendees at an open meeting shall have access to a copy of the meeting agenda and attachments, except agenda attachments relative to labor relations and other employment issues relating to PIAA employees, officials, or appointees, whether paid or unpaid; purchase or lease of real estate; pending or potential litigation and other legal issues; adjudicative functions, including hearings and appeals; and other matters which should be discussed or conducted in private to protect the individual privacy interests, to preserve a lawful privilege or confidentiality, or to avoid harm to the legal or financial interests of PIAA.

### **Recording Devices**

Persons attending open meetings may use audio and video recording devices so long as such use does not disrupt or interfere with the proceedings or the ability of any other attendee to observe, enter or exit the proceedings, and does not otherwise create a risk or injury to persons or property. Persons using such devices do so at their own risk and shall be solely responsible for the consequences of such use. PIAA has no responsibility for the content of any recording or the subsequent use of such contents.

### **Adjournment**

The Board of Directors may, at any time, recess or adjourn a meeting to a specified time, date or place upon the vote of a majority of those present.

Notice of a rescheduled meeting shall be given as provided in this policy.

## **ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY**

The basic responsibility for eligibility is in the hands of the principal. When the principal certifies the eligibility of an athlete by signing the eligibility list, the assumption is that all listed athletes have been thoroughly checked.

Violations of eligibility rules may cause an individual, a team or a school to suffer penalties.

Member schools are responsible for dissemination of information about athletic eligibility. The following recommendations provide a broad base of coverage for the member schools' students and staff.

1. School administrators should be sure that all coaches (including non-teaching coaches) know and implement the rules and pass them along to their athletes.
2. Publish the rules or at least a summary of the rules in:
  - a. The student handbook
  - b. The faculty manual
  - c. At least one communication to the parents - i.e. the parental slip for athletic participation
  - d. A communication to each athletic booster's organization
3. School administrators should be sure the following individuals are aware of the rules:
  - a. Guidance counselors
  - b. Junior high school personnel
  - c. Attendance officers
  - d. Pupil personnel workers
4. The eligibility rules should be posted in key locations such as:
  - a. The athletic office
  - b. Locker rooms

### **Eligibility Problems**

1. Students transferring from other schools.
2. Students repeating all or a portion of a school year.
3. Students with attendance and/or scholarship problems.

It is important that students whose status is questionable are identified. Once identified, their eligibility can usually be determined easily.



## Checking Student/Athlete Eligibility

Some suggestions for checking student eligibility:

1. Eligibility information should be kept in one place.
2. The principal or his designees (athletic director, faculty manager, etc.) should be in charge and should coordinate the process.
3. Rules should be up-to-date and changes noted each year.
4. Have the athlete and his/her parents(s) supply the following information in conjunction with the parental permission slip before the student tries out.
  - a. Name
  - b. Grade level
  - c. Age
  - d. Date of birth
  - e. Home Address
  - f. Parent(s) name
  - g. Semesters of attendance
  - h. Years of participation

This information can be checked against school records.

5. Verify that each athlete has a physical, insurance coverage and parental permission to participate.
6. Check grades and attendance from the previous semester.

## Foreign Exchange Students

Foreign exchange students are eligible to participate in interscholastic athletics at a PIAA member school for only one year.

For Students to be eligible, a designated representative of a member school must complete the Foreign Exchange Student Eligibility Agreement located in the PIAA Constitution and By-Laws and send the completed form and a copy of the J1 Visa and copy of Parent/Physical Certificate to:

**William Marshall  
Chairman, District 6 Committee  
Penn Cambria School District  
201 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Cresson, PA 16630**

If you have a student whose eligibility is questionable:

1. Gather all the facts and documentation
2. Check the PIAA By-Laws.
3. If a question arises, call **William Marshall, Chairman at 814-886-8121.**
4. In the event that the situation would require a District 6 committee decision, you will be asked to file the PIAA form, "Request for a Decision on Athletic Eligibility", located in the PIAA Constitution and By-Laws.
5. Complete the form thoroughly and attach supporting documentation.
6. Send the completed form to:  
**William Marshall  
District 6 PIAA Chairman  
Penn Cambria School District  
201 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Cresson, PA 16630**
7. The District 6 Committee will review the question and provide a decision at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

If documents are proper, the student will be declared eligible upon the review of the information by the executive committee and will officially be declared eligible at the next regular scheduled District 6 meeting.

## **POLICY CONCERNING BOYS AND GIRLS PARTICIPATING AND PRACTICING TOGETHER IN INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS**

This policy applies to PIAA responses to inquiries as to whether it is permissible or required for boys and girls to participate or practice together on the same interscholastic athletic team, or to be segregated on the basis of sex.

In 1975, the Commonwealth court of Pennsylvania permanently joined PIAA from establishing any rule or regulations that would prohibit boys from playing or practicing on girls' teams or girls playing or practicing on boys' teams. That permanent injunction remains in effect, and any attempt by PIAA to adopt such rules would constitute contempt of court.

In view of the presence of the issue and the existence of the injunction, the following is the response that shall be given by PIAA to such inquiries:

1. The PIAA Constitution and By-Laws apply equally to boys and girls participating in and practicing for interscholastic athletics.
2. PIAA has no rules that deal with the participation of boys and girls on the same athletic team or with boys and girls practicing together for interscholastic athletics. PIAA therefore does not prohibit such combined participation or practicing.
3. The specific inquiry should be referred to the solicitor for the school district involved.
4. In preparing his response to the inquiry, the school district solicitor should be referred to the following three sources of guidance:
  - a. The United States Department of Education Regulations under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which appear at 34 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 106, and cases decided under those regulations and under Title IX itself.
  - b. The Pennsylvania State Board of Education health and physical education regulations relative to interscholastic athletic programs, which appear at 22 Pa. Code Section 4.27 (d) - (f).
  - c. The opinion of the Commonwealth court in *Commonwealth of Pennsylvania v. Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association*, 18 Pa. Commonwealth Ct. 45, 334 A.2d 839 (1975).
5. The solicitor should be informed that these sources are only to provide a starting point for any independent analysis; they are not intended to be an exhaustive identification of all potentially relevant sources.

## **INCIDENT REPORTS**

1. A District 6 Incident Report should be filed under the following circumstances:
  - a. The suspension of a contest before its completion.
  - b. Any physical or verbal assault on an official.
  - c. Any physical altercation involving contestants, coaches, officials and/or spectators.
  - d. Any serious violation of PIAA rules and regulations.
2. Officials should report any incidents to the District 6 Officials' Representative within twelve (12) hours of the conclusion of the contest during which the incident occurred. If the officials' representative is not available, officials should report the incident to the District 6 chair or to the District 6 secretary/treasurer.
3. Officials will send a copy of their incident report to the principals of the involved schools. The involved schools must respond to the report in writing within two (2) days of its reception. A District 6 reporting form should be used. (see page 19).
4. The District 6 Executive Committee will review the submitted reports and determine what course of action should be taken. The District 6 chair will notify the involved schools of that course of action.
5. Schools involved in a reported incident are entitled to a hearing before the District 6 Committee. Hearings shall be held at the District 6 Committee's next regularly scheduled meeting unless the executive committee considers it necessary to schedule the hearing at a special meeting on an earlier date.
6. Any rulings or sanctions imposed by the District 6 Committee may be appealed to the PIAA Board of Directors by contacting the PIAA Executive Director at the PIAA Office in Mechanicsburg, PA.

**PIAA - DISTRICT 6 INCIDENT REPORT**

Sport \_\_\_\_\_

**Schools Involved**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home School

\_\_\_\_\_  
PIAA District

\_\_\_\_\_  
Visiting School

\_\_\_\_\_  
PIAA District

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of the incident

\_\_\_\_\_  
Time, inning or heat

\_\_\_\_\_  
Score during the incident

**Official's Report**

Who was involved in the incident? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did the incident occur? \_\_\_\_\_

What were the circumstances? \_\_\_\_\_

What action did the officials take? \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach any additional information

**Principal's Report**

Who was involved in the incident? \_\_\_\_\_

Where did the incident occur? \_\_\_\_\_

What were the circumstances? \_\_\_\_\_

What action did your school district take? \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach any additional information.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Official's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Principal's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **PROBLEM SOLVING PROCEDURE**

1. Investigate
  - a. Determine what happened.
  - b. Ask for statements from officials, persons of authority, coaches and security personnel who were witnesses to the event.
  - c. Find other witnesses to the event and ask them to document what they saw.
2. Involve school officials (administrators) from both schools in the investigation.
3. Let all parties concerned know you are interested in resolving the situation.
4. When appropriate, utilize school rules and community laws to prosecute the offenders.
5. Re-examine school policies and procedures to determine if the problem could have been avoided.
6. Submit a completed report on the incident to the District 6 Chair.
7. Should the incident require a hearing before the Committee, the principal will be made aware of the following:
  - a. Site, time, and date of hearing
  - b. Who should attend
  - c. Who will be attending
  - d. The basic procedure and format of the hearing
  - e. What documentation should be supported
  - f. What the consequences might be

## DEALING WITH INCLEMENT WEATHER

The PIAA District 6 is advising all schools of the following when inclement weather is a possibility:

1. It is recommended that principals, athletic directors, contest official, and coaches meet prior to the contest regarding the possibility of inclement weather for all sports to ensure that there are clear predetermined guidelines established to address any and all scenarios.
2. Do any and all things possible to ensure the safety of the participants, fans and others. Please reference the "Lightning Safety" guidelines below.
3. All PIAA District 6 section football games must be played in their entirety as they bear on post-season qualification.
4. The NFHS sport specific rulebooks identify criteria regarding potential termination of contests and the requirements that identify when games are considered official. These guidelines must be followed. If the specific sport rulebook does not specify termination guidelines, insofar as possible, all games should be played to conclusion.
5. It is recommended (**and it is only a recommendation**) of the PIAA District 6 that all non-section football games postponed before the conclusion of the first half, be concluded at a later date.
6. It is recommended that non-section football games interrupted in the second half or games that are being played under the "mercy-rule" be terminated with the existing score unless it is mutually decided that a game should be concluded at a later date.
7. Remember that if a non-section football game is not concluded, the existing score will stand. The National Federation Rule Book; Rule 3, Article 3 states: "**Games interrupted because of events beyond the control of the responsible administrative authority shall be continued from the point of interruption, unless the teams agree to terminate the game with the existing score or there are conference, league or state associations' rules, which apply.**"

## LIGHTNING SAFETY

Coaches, officials, Certified Athletic Trainers, and players must recognize the hazard posed by lightning and know what to do to minimize the risk of serious injury or death during outdoor activities.

Use the electronic devices to **determine** potential for lightning **injury and convey this risk** to game officials and coaching staffs. If you do not have lightning detector use the “Flash-to-bang” method for measuring lightning distance. As lightning approaches, the time in seconds from seeing the stroke to hearing the thunder decreases. For each 5-second count, lightning is 1 mile away. At a count of 15 seconds (3 miles) there is imminent danger! Seek shelter immediately. It is strongly recommended that you seek shelter at a count of 30 seconds (6 miles). Follow your institutions policy and go to a safe location, **(a completely enclosed area), staying away from open doors and windows.**

Turn off and stay away from electrical appliances. Avoid using a regular telephone (except in emergency situations).

A cellular or portable phone is safe if the person and the antenna are located within a safe location and if all other precautions are followed.

A car or bus can act as a “safe location” as long as the windows are closed completely and you stay away from the windows.

If no safe structure or location is within a reasonable distance, find a thick grove of small trees surrounded by taller trees or a dry ditch. Assume a crouch position on the ground with only the balls of the feet touching the ground, wrap your arms around your knees and lower your head. **DO NOT LIE ON THE GROUND.**

Wait a minimum of 30 minutes from the last lightning strike/visual/sound or until the lightning detector indicates that the storm is no longer a threat. Any subsequent lightning or 30-minute count should reset the clock and another count should begin.

## **TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS**

Name	Office Address	Office Phone	Fax Number	Sport
Curt Vasas	Forest Hills High School 535 Locust Street Sidman, PA 15955	814-487-7613	814-487-4605	Baseball
Michael Hudak William Marshall	232 Suie Street Johnstown, PA 15904	Hudak's cell 814-386-3252		Basketball
Ken Kerchenske	Cambria Heights High School 426 Glendale Lake Rd Patton, PA 16668	814-674-3601	814-674-5605	Cheerleading
Joe Gironda	Forest Hills High School 535 Locust Street Sidman, PA 15955	814-487-7613		Cross Country
Susan Kovensky	1400 Pine Street Hollidaysburg, PA 16648	814-931-0603		Field Hockey
Ralph Cecere	Portage Area High School 85 Mountain Avenue Portage, PA 15946	814-736-9636	814-736-9597	Football
Michael Hudak	232 Suie Street Johnstown, PA 15904	814-386-3252		Golf Boys & Girls
Susan Kovensky	1400 Pine Street Hollidaysburg, PA 16648	814-931-0603		Lacrosse
Phil Riccio Eric Hovan	Altoona Area High School 1415 Sixth Avenue Altoona, PA 16602	814-946-8289	814-946-8578	Tennis Boys & Girls
Phil Riccio	Altoona Area High School 1415 Sixth Avenue Altoona, PA 16602	814-946-8289	814-946-8578	Track & Field
Michael Cacciotti	Bishop Guilfoyle High School 2400 Pleasant Valley Blvd. Altoona, PA 16602	814-944-4014	814-944-8552	Soccer Boys & Girls
Brandon Bailey Robert Sauerwien	Richland School District 1 Academic Avenue Johnstown, PA 15904	814-269-2399		Softball
Curtis Whitesel Susan Werner	Homer-Center School District 65 Wildcat Lane Homer City, PA 15748	724-479-8080	724-479-3967	Swimming & Diving AA & AAA
Lorie Ratchford	Bishop Carroll High School 728 Ben Franklin Highway Ebensburg, PA 15931	814-472-7500 ext. 106	814-472-8020	Volleyball Boys
Joe Gironda	Forest Hills High School 535 Locust Street Sidman, PA 15955	814-487-7613		Volleyball Girls
Phil Riccio David Crumrine	Altoona Area High School 1415 Sixth Avenue Altoona, PA 16602	814-946-8289	814-946-8578	AA Wrestling & Dual Meet, AAA Wrestling Team Wrestling



## **DISTRICT 6 TOURNAMENTS**

### **1. Conditions for Entry**

Entry and participation in the 2020-2021 PIAA District 6 Tournaments are voluntary. District 6 member schools are not required to enter into tournaments sponsored by the District. Entry of a team into a tournament signifies that the member school accepts the conditions and provisions that are described here.

Further, a member school accepts the fact that the District 6 Committee reserves the right to make changes in the management, operation, and schedule of the 2020-2021 District 6 Tournaments if, in the committee's judgment, it becomes necessary.

### **2. No Protest Rule**

Under PIAA there can be no protest of contests as follows:

*The Board of Director and District Committees will not consider any protest in athletic contest 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 PIAA Executive Director.*

### **3. Officials**

All officials for the District 6 tournaments are assigned by the District 6 Officials' Assignment Committee. The officials are chosen from a pool of officials recommended by the participating schools and by the officials' chapter in District 6.

### **4. Photographing, Filming, and Videotaping**

PIAA rules and regulations do not prohibit schools, spectators, and/or media from photographing, filming, or videotaping at District 6 tournaments. However, photographing, filming, or videotaping at District 6 tournaments shall be subject to the following restrictions:

- a. Photographing, filming, and videotaping for the purpose of review before the completion of the filmed game will be prohibited.
- b. Two (2) persons from each school will be admitted free to photograph film or videotape these games. All others are required to purchase an admission ticket.
- c. Persons desiring to film or videotape must report to the game manager a minimum of 15 minutes prior to the start of the game/contests.
- d. Persons filming or videotaping must remain in the areas designated by the game manager for that purpose.
- e. Persons filming or videotaping shall not stand on any unsafe or potentially hazardous physical objects or facilities.
- f. Persons filming or videotaping shall not interfere with the visibility and comfort of other spectators, nor shall they present a safety hazard to other spectators.

## **5. Restriction of Use of Tobacco Products**

PIAA Board of Directors policy prohibits the use of tobacco products by participating and non-participating team personnel, including coaches, during any interscholastic athletic contest at any level of interscholastic athletic competition.

The use of tobacco products by team members/personnel and coaches is prohibited during pre-game, game, and post-game activities in the locker rooms and in the vicinity of the gymnasium/field.

## **6. Policy for Post-Game Interviews of Coaches and Team**

Following completion of the game, 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 ([final] contests only), gathered their personal and/or team belongings, departed the competition surface, and returned to the team locker room.

## **7. Policy Regarding Coaches Disqualified**

A coach(es) disqualified from a PIAA championship (final) contest in a sport for unsportsmanlike conduct or flagrant misconduct shall be prohibited from participating in the awards presentation ceremony which immediately follows that championship (final) contest.

## **8. Merchandise Sale**

District 6 Championship programs and T-shirts will be available for purchase by contestants, coaches, and spectators during the tournament. There is a limited supply of championship T-shirts, and they will not be available at all sites. If you have any questions on this matter, please contact **Mr. Jody Rainey, District 6 Program Chair, at 724-479-8026 or by email [jrainey@homercenter.org](mailto:jrainey@homercenter.org)** .

## **9. Restrictions on Cheerleading Activities**

The PIAA Board of Directors is most concerned with dangerous activities performed by cheerleaders in interscholastic events. In an effort to eliminate or minimize injury to cheerleaders, the following shall be in effect for all PIAA District 6 Championships:

- a. No cheerleader shall stand on another person unless that other person has at least one foot on the ground.
- b. No flips are permitted from another person unless that other person has both feet on the ground.
- c. Trampolines and/or mini tramps shall not be used.

**PRINCIPALS ARE REQUESTED TO REVIEW THESE POLICIES WITH THE COACH OR ADVISOR OF THE CHEERLEADING SQUAD AND THE MEMBERS OF THE CHEERLEADING SQUAD PRIOR TO THE START OF THE 2020-2021 PIAA PLAYOFFS/CHAMPIONSHIPS.**

**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-2021 TOURNAMENTS  
BASEBALL**

**Dates of Tournament:** TBA based on availability of Peoples Natural Gas Field  
**Rain Date:** TBA  
**Last Date to Enter:** May 18, 2021 **Time:** 9:00 AM  
**Method of Entry:** By Email or Registered Mail  
**Site:** Peoples Natural Gas Field in Altoona, PA

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Requirements:** Qualifying Tournament (Top Eight (8) teams for Class 1A, 2A and 3A. Top Four (4) teams for Class 4A, 5A and 6A)  
**Rating System:** Each team will be awarded four (4) points for each win and one (1) point for each classification of the team that was defeated.  
**Entry Fee:** \$100.00 per team  
**Radio Fee:** \$75.00  
**Postponement Procedure:** The host team determines if the games should be canceled because of inclement weather.  
**Time of Decision:** Three hours prior to game time

**Ticket Information**

Championship Games; Gate sales only

Adults and Students: \$5.00

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**District Committee Contact: Curt Vasas**

**Telephone: Work: 814-487-7613 Ext, 3700**

**FAX: 814-487-4605**

**Email: [cvasas@fhrangers.org](mailto:cvasas@fhrangers.org)**



**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-2021 TOURNAMENTS  
COMPETITIVE SPIRIT**

**Date of Competition:** Saturday, December 19, 2020

**Make-up Date:** Saturday, January 9, 2021

**Last Date to Enter:** November 16, 2020

**Time:** 10:30 AM

**Method of Entry:** By Fax or registered mail

**Site:** Altoona High School Fieldhouse

**Guidelines For Entry**

**Qualifying Specifications:** You must declare your classification on the entry from (small varsity, medium varsity, large varsity or co-ed). There will be no change in classification after entry.

**Entry Fee:** \$100.00/Team - Must be received by November 16, 2020. **No refunds will be issued.**

**Procedure for Postponement:** Decision to be made by the game manager and the tournament director by 7:00 AM.

**Ticket Information**

Prices will be set by the PIAA District 6 committee.

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**Tournament Director: Ken Kerchenske**

**Telephone: Work: 814-674-3601, ext 3007**

**FAX: 814-674-5605**

**Home: 814-201-0251**

**Email: [kkerchenske@chsdl.org](mailto:kkerchenske@chsdl.org)**

**Mailing Address: Kenneth Kerchenske, Principal**

**Cambria Heights High School**

**426 Glendale Lake Rd.**

**Patton, PA 16668**

**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020 TOURNAMENT  
CROSS COUNTRY**

**Date of Tournament:** Saturday, October 31, 2020

**Last Date to Enter:** Monday, October 26, 2020 at 11:59pm

**Method of Entry:** Paperless Meet – Team Registration at [www.milesplit.com](http://www.milesplit.com)

**Site:** Indian Valley Elementary Center – 125 Kish Road, Reedsville, PA 17084

**Qualifying Specifications:** Open Tournament for Class A, 2A, and 3A

**Rating System:** None

**Entry Fee = \$50 per school + \$10 per student-athlete**

Payable To: District VI

Mail To: *Forest Hills Athletics*

J.M. Gironda, D6 Cross Country

535 Locust Street

Sidman, PA 15955

**Procedure for Postponement:** Participating schools will be notified by email/phone call.

**Ticket Information**

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Tickets are not required for admission to the District VI Cross Country Championships Meet

**Tournament Director: J.M. Gironda**  
**(814) 487-7613 x3706**

**Email: [JGironda@FHRangers.org](mailto:JGironda@FHRangers.org)**

**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-2021 TOURNAMENTS  
FIELD HOCKEY**

**Dates of Tournament:** Class A/AAA Championships  
Saturday, October 17, 2020 **Time:** TBD

**Last Date to Enter:** Saturday October 3, 2020 **Time:** 3:00 PM

**Method of Entry:** By U.S. Mail or via email

**Site:** Tentatively set for Bald Eagle Area High School - Wingate, PA

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Specifications:** Open Tournament

**Rating System:** Teams are seeded by their win/loss record as well as the strength of schedule up to and including Thursday, October 1, 2020

**Entry Fee:** \$100.00/Team – Must be received by Saturday, October 3, 2020

**Procedure for Postponement:** Decision to be made by the Game Manager and the Tournament Director.

**Ticket Information**

Adults and Students: \$5.00

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**Tournament Director:** Susan Kovensky

**Telephone: Cell:** 814-931-0603

**Email:** [suekozeb1@icloud.com](mailto:suekozeb1@icloud.com)

# DISTRICT 6 PIAA 2020-2021 TOURNAMENTS FOOTBALL

August 10	Start of Heat Acclimatization Week/ First week of practice for “Week 0” starts
August 22	First Scrimmage Date for “Week 0” starts
August 28 & 29	“Week 0” 1 <sup>st</sup> play date for teams starting “Week 0”,
Sept. 4 & 5	“Week 1” 2 <sup>nd</sup> play date for “Week 0” starts
Sept. 11 & 12	“Week 2” 3 <sup>rd</sup> play date for “Week 0” starts
Sept. 18 & 19	“Week 3” 4 <sup>th</sup> play date for “Week 0” starts
Sept. 25 & 26	“Week 4” 5 <sup>th</sup> play date for “Week 0” starts
Oct. 2 & 3	“Week 5” 6 <sup>th</sup> play date for “Week 0” starts
Oct. 9 & 10	“Week 6” 7 <sup>th</sup> play date for “Week 0” starts
Oct. 16 & 17	“Week 7” 8 <sup>th</sup> play date for “Week 0” starts
Oct. 23 & 24	“Week 8” 9 <sup>th</sup> play date for “Week 0” starts
Oct. 30 & 31	“Week 9” 10 <sup>th</sup> play date for “Week 0” starts

# SUBJECT TO CHANGE

<b>November 1</b>		<b>Football Play-off Meeting - Altoona Fieldhouse 10:00am</b>
Nov. 6 & 7	“Week 10”	Round 1 District 6 Play-offs Class A, 2A, 3A (Semis), 6A (Finals)*
Nov. 13 & 14	“Week 11”	Round 2 District 6 Play-offs Class A, 2A (Semis) & 3A (Finals)
Nov. 20 & 21	“Week 12”	Round 3 District Play-offs Class A (Semis), 2A (Finals)
Nov. 27 & 28	“Week 13”	Round 4 District 6 Play-offs Class A (Finals)
Dec. 4 & 5	“Week 14”	PIAA Semi-Finals – All Classes
Dec. 10, 11 & 12	“Week 15”	PIAA Finals- All Classes @ Hersheypark Stadium

- Prior to the start of season schedules must be emailed to Tom Elling, [tom@pawrsl.com](mailto:tom@pawrsl.com)
- Attendance is mandatory at the 10/29/19 play-off meeting. Please bring \$100.00 entry fee to meeting.
- Game site will be the home field of team ranked highest in each pairing until finals.
- Finals – Location to be determined by District 6 Committee after consultation with Football chairman
- PIAA District 6 reserves the right to move any play-off contest for any reason the Committee deems relevant.
- Football is a qualifying tournament using the power rankings outlined on the District 6 website [www.piaad6.org](http://www.piaad6.org)
- Procedure for Postponement: In the event of severe weather conditions, the decision to postpone the game will be made by the assigned PIAA Officials in consultation with game manager and football chairman.
- Out-of-State Opponent – Secure a letter/email from principal/AD stating total male enrollment of students in grades 9-11 to equate to PIAA Classifications. No documentation - will result in out-of-state opponent being classified as a Class “A” school.

**Ticket Information:**

Online Pre-sales: Adult: \$6.00  
Student: \$3.00

Gate sales: Adult: \$6.00  
Student: \$6.00

**Tournament Director:** Ralph Cecere

Work: 814-736-9636      Email: [rcecere@mustangmail.org](mailto:rcecere@mustangmail.org)  
Home: 814-487-7317      Fax: 814-736-9597  
Mobile: 814-525-8532

**Tie Breakers:**

1. Head to Head
2. Record vs. Common Opponents
3. Opponents’ Winning Percentage
4. Coin Flip

\* Pending agreement with other PIAA Districts (8 & 10)



# **DISTRICT 6 PIAA 2020-21 TOURNAMENT GOLF – BOYS**

**Dates of Tournament:** AA Boys Sectionals – Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 10:00 AM  
AAA Boys Sectionals – Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 10:00 AM  
District Boys Championships- Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 10:00 AM  
PIAA Team Sub Regional  
    AA Boys Wednesday, October 14, 2020 10:00 AM  
    AAA Boys Thursday, October 22, 2020 10:00 AM  
PIAA Individual Regional – Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2020 at 9:00 AM

**Last Date to Enter:** Thursday, September 18, 2020

**Time:** 9:00AM

**Guidelines Individual:**

AA Boys - Sectional Field is limited to the top 80 players with lowest qualifying scores. (Must be 100 or less). Golf Coaches are responsible for the integrity of the scores submitted for each golfer. Golf Director will notify all schools of qualifying participants immediately after the deadline to enter.  
AAA Boys – Sectional Field is limited to maximum of 8 players per school with a qualifying score of 100 or less. Golf Coaches are responsible for the integrity of the scores submitted for each golfer.

**Guidelines Team:** AA Boys and AAA Boys – Teams may be comprised of five (5) individuals, (that have met the qualifying score of 100 or less), of which the lowest four (4) scores shall count for the Championship.

**Method of Entry:** By Email (Preferred) or US Mail

**Site:** AA Boys Sectional – Windber Country Club, Salix, PA  
AAA Boys Sectional – Sinking Valley Country Club, Tyrone, PA  
District Boys Championship – Scotch Valley Country Club, Hollidaysburg, PA  
PIAA AA Team Sub Regional – Ebensburg Country Club, Ebensburg, PA  
PIAA AAA Team Sub Regional – Treasure Lake, Dubois, PA  
PIAA Individual Regional – Toms Run, Blairsville, PA

## **Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Specifications:**

Player must demonstrate they consistently break a score of 100 for 18 holes or 50 for 9 holes. This is certified by the Coach on District 6 Entry Form.

**Entry Fee:** \$30.00/per Student Athlete

**Procedure for Postponement:** All schools will be contacted.

**Tournament Director:** Michael Hudak

**Telephone:** Cell: 814-386-3252

**Email:** MPH0413@ATLANTICBB.NET

**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-2021 TOURNAMENT  
GOLF – GIRLS**

**Dates of Tournament:** District Girls Championships - Thursday October 1, 2020 at 10:00 AM  
PIAA Team Sub Regionals  
AA Girls Wednesday, October 14, 2020 10:00 AM  
AAA Girls Thursday, October 22, 2020 10:00 AM  
PIAA Individual Regional – Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2020 at 9:00 AM

**Last Date to Enter:** Thursday, September 18, 2020

**Time:** 9:00AM

**Guidelines Individual:**

**AA Girls and AAA Girls** – There is no limit on the number of participants a school may enter if they all meet the qualifying score of 105 or less. Golf Coaches are responsible for the integrity of the scores submitted for each golfer.

**Guidelines Team:**

**AA Girls and AAA Girls** – Teams may be comprised of five (5) individuals, (that have met the qualifying score of 105 or less), of which the lowest three (3) scores shall count for the Championship.

**Method of Entry:** By Email (Preferred) or US Mail

**Site:** District Girls Championship – Windber Country Club, Salix, PA  
PIAA AA Team Sub Regionals – Ebensburg, Country Club, Ebensburg, PA  
PIAA AAA Team Sub Regional – Treasure Lake, Dubois, PA  
PIAA Individual Regional – Toms Run, Blairsville, PA

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Specifications:**

Player must demonstrate they consistently break a score of 105 for 18 holes or 53 for 9 holes. This is certified by the Coach on District 6 Entry Form.

**Entry Fee:** \$30.00/per Student Athlete

**Procedure for Postponement:** All schools will be contacted.

**Tournament Director:** Michael Hudak

**Telephone:** Cell: 814-386-3252

**Email:** MPH0413@ATLANTICBB.NET

**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-2021 TOURNAMENTS  
LACROSSE**

**Tentative date of District 6 Championship:** TBD

**Last Date to Enter:** Friday, April 9, 2021

**Method of Entry:** Email

**Site:** TBD

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Specifications:** None

**Rating System:** None

**Entry Fee:** \$100.00/Team

**Procedure for Postponement:** All schools will be contacted.

**Time of Decision:** Day of the contest

**Ticket Information**

Adults and Students: \$5.00

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**Tournament Director:** Susan Kovensky

**Telephone: Cell:** 814-931-0603

**Email:** [suekozeb1@icloud.com](mailto:suekozeb1@icloud.com)

**DISTRICT 6 PIAA SOCCER  
2020 TOURNAMENTS  
BOYS/GIRLS SOCCER 1A, 2A, 3A & 4A  
TOURNAMENT- SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

**Dates of Tournament:** First Round: October 26-30, 2020  
Quarterfinals: October 26-30, 2020  
Semi-Finals: October 28 - November 2, 2020  
Finals: November 2-6, 2020

**Last Date To Enter:** October 22, 2020      **Time:** 9:00 PM  
**Last Date to count games:** October 22, 2020

**Method of Entry:**

*Prior to the start of the season, schedules must be emailed to Tom Elling: [tom@pawrsl.com](mailto:tom@pawrsl.com)*

**Entry Fee: \$100.00/team, payable to District 6 PIAA-Soccer**  
**Mailed to Michael Cacciotti, Bishop Guilfoyle Catholic HS**  
2400 Pleasant Valley Blvd.  
Altoona, PA 16602  
Fax: (814) 944-8552  
Email: [mcacciotti@bguilfoyle.org](mailto:mcacciotti@bguilfoyle.org)

**Sites:** - Shall be approved by the soccer committee. *Games may be moved to turf facilities*

**Qualifying Specifications:** Closed Tournament \* **minimum 8 games played**

**Rating System:** Power rating – Four (4) points are received for a victory, Two (2) points for a Tie and bonus points are awarded for defeating:

- “1A” team – 1 point
- “2A” team – 2 points
- “3A” team – 3 points
- “4A” team – 4 points

Total points earned would be divided by the number of games played at the deadline date to determine the rating number to be used for seeding.

**Procedure for Postponement:** Decision to be made by game manager and tournament director.

**Ticket Information**

Gate sales only  
All tickets - \$5.00

**Tournament Director: Michael Cacciotti**  
**Telephone: Work: (814) 944-4014    FAX: (814) 944-8552**

DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-21 TOURNAMENTS  
SOFTBALL

**Dates of Tournament: Classes A and 2A**

Quarterfinals: May 24, 2021  
Semifinals: May 27, 2021  
Finals: June 2 or 3, 2021

**Dates of Tournament: Classes 3A and 4A**

Quarterfinals: May 24, 2021  
Semifinals: May 27, 2021  
Finals: June 2 or 3, 2021

**Dates of Tournament: Classes 5A and 6A**

Semifinals: May 20, 2021  
Finals: May 26, 2021  
Regional: June 3, 2021 (Class 5A in District 6, Class 6A in District 10)

Class 3A will include schools from District 5. Class 4A will include schools from District 5 and 6 and Class 5A will include schools from District 6 and 9. Class 5A and 6A will play a regional game with District 10.

**Last Day to Enter:** May 18, 2021 **Time:** 9:00 AM

**Method of Entry:** By E-mail or Registered Mail

**Site:** Red Flash Field, Saint Francis University

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Requirements:** Qualifying Tournament (Top Eight (8) teams for Class 1A, 2A and 3A. Top Four (4) teams for Class 4A, 5A and 6A)

**Rating System:** Each team will be awarded four (4) points for each win and one (1) point for each classification of the team that was defeated.

**Entry Fee:** \$100.00 per team

**Radio Fee:** \$75.00

**Ticket Information**

Gate Sales Only at Championship and Sub-Regional Games

Adults: \$6.00

Students: \$3:00

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Tournament Director:

Brandon Bailey

814-266-6081

[bbailey@richlandisd.com](mailto:bbailey@richlandisd.com)

Assistant:

Robert Sauerwein

814-880-7407

[robert.sauerwein@gmail.com](mailto:robert.sauerwein@gmail.com)

**DISTRICT 6  
2020-2021 SWIMMING & DIVING  
REGIONALS**

**Dates of Tournament:** Diving for AA and AAA: Saturday, March 6, 2021

Swimming AA and AAA: Friday, March 5, 2021 & Saturday, March 6, 2021

**Last Date to Enter:** Wednesday, February 24, 2021      **Time:** Noon

**Method of Entry:** Direct Athletics

**Site:** McCoy Natatorium, Penn State University

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Specifications:** Qualifying times.

**Rating System:** Team and individual entry according to PIAA regulations.

**Entry Fee:** No team Fee. \$10.00/Student Athlete, minimum \$30.00/school

**Procedure for Postponement:** Decision to be made by tournament director.

**Time of Decision:** 8:00 AM on the day of the meet.

**Ticket Information**

Adults and Students: \$5.00

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**District Committee Contact: Curtis Whitesel**

**Telephone: Work: 724-479-8080**

**FAX: 724-479-3967**

**Email: [cwhitesel@homercenter.org](mailto:cwhitesel@homercenter.org)**

**Tournament Director: Susan Werner**

**Telephone: Home: 814-234-5078**

**Email: [WERNERSC@AOL.COM](mailto:WERNERSC@AOL.COM)**

**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-2021 TOURNAMENT  
TENNIS - BOYS**

**Dates of Tournament:** AA Singles: April 26 and April 27, 2021  
AAA Singles: April 27 and April 28, 2021

AA Doubles: May 3 and May 4, 2021  
AAA Doubles: May 4 and May 5, 2021  
Team: May 10 and May 12, 2021

**Last Date to Enter:** Singles: April 23, 2020  
Doubles: April 30, 2020  
**Time:** Noon

**Method of Entry:** Regular mail, registered mail, or FAX.

**Site:** AA and AAA at Mansion Park Tennis Facility

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Specifications:** Open to any school in District 6.

**Rating System:** Players will be seeded based on their individual record during the season. 2 points will be awarded to a team for a win over an AA opponent and 4 points will be awarded to a team for a win over an AAA opponent. A total point count will be tallied at the seeding meeting for District VI doubles. The top point total quotient will receive the number 1 seeding for the event. Matches will be played at the highest seeded team. A team quotient will be determined by adding the total number of points divided by the total number of possible points.

**Entry Fee:** \$100.00/team or \$10.00/per Student Athlete

**Procedure for Postponement:** Report to site for determination.

**Time of Decision:** 9:00 AM on the day of the match.

**Ticket Information**

No tickets are required for attendance at District 6 Tennis Championships.

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**Tournament Director: Eric Hovan**

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**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-2021 TOURNAMENT  
TRACK AND FIELD**

**Dates of Tournament:** AA: May 18, 2021  
AAA: May 20, 2021

**Last Date to Enter:** Sunday, May 16, 2021

**Time:** None

**\*Dates are subject to change**

**Method of Entry:** PIAA Website

**Site:** Mansion Park, Altoona

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Specifications:** To be determined. Will be mailed with entry form.

**Rating System:** Qualifying times. Seeded by times/distance from 2018 PIAA sanctioned meets.

**Entry Fee:** \$10.00/per student athlete, minimum of \$30 entry fee from each school.

**Procedure for Postponement:** Determination is made by the game's committee.

**Time of Decision:** 11:00 AM on the day of the meet.

**Ticket Information**

Adults and Students: \$5.00

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**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-2021 TOURNAMENT  
VOLLEYBALL - BOYS**

**Dates of Tournament:** AAA - May 18, 2021 @ Tyrone  
AA - May 25, 2021 @ TBD

**Last Date to Enter:** May 14, 2021      **Time:** 10:00 AM

**Method of Entry:** By email

**Notes on Entry:** Final record faxed by May 17, 2021, 9:00 AM or sooner if season has ended earlier.

**Site:** First Rounds: States 6/1/2021 TBD  
Championship: TBA

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Specifications:** Open Tournament

**Rating System:** Power rating – Four (4) points are received for a victory and bonus points are awarded for defeating:

    "AA" team – 2 points  
    "AAA" team – 3 points

Two additional points are awarded for a victory over a team with a winning percentage of .700 or higher. Total points earned would be divided by the number of games played at the deadline date to determine the rating number to be used for seeding. Does not include tournament play.

**Entry Fee:** \$100.00/Team. Mail to: Lorie Ratchford, Bishop Carroll H. S.,  
728 Ben Franklin Hwy  
Ebensburg, PA 15931

**Procedure for Postponement:** Notified by phone, radio, and television.

**Time of Decision:** 3:00 PM the day before the tournament.

**Ticket Information**

Gate sales only

Adults and Students: \$5.00

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**District Committee Contact:** Lorie Ratchford

**Telephone: Work:** 814-472-7500, ext. 106

**FAX:** 814-472-8020

**Email:** [lratchford@bishopcarroll.org](mailto:lratchford@bishopcarroll.org)

**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020 TOURNAMENT  
GIRLS VOLLEYBALL**

**Dates of Tournament:** November 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 2020

- A Championship – Saturday, November 7, 2020 @ TBA
- 2A Championship – Tuesday, November 10, 2020 @ TBA
- 3A Championship – Wednesday, November 11, 2020 @ TBA
- 4A Championship – Wednesday, November 11, 2020 @ TBA

**Last Date to Count for D6 Rankings:**

- A & 2A = Thursday, October 29, 2020
- 3A & 4A = Thursday, November 5, 2020

**Method of Entry:** Prior to the start of the season, schedules must be emailed to Tom Elling at [tom@pawrsl.com](mailto:tom@pawrsl.com).

**Site:** First Round, Quarterfinals and Semifinals will be held at the higher-ranked school according to the official brackets.

**Qualifying Specifications:** Open Tournament for 3A and 4A

Closed tournament for Class A and 2A: Class A and 2A qualify by using the power rankings as outlined on the District 6 website at [www.piaad6.org](http://www.piaad6.org).

**Rating System:** Power rating – Four (4) points are awarded for a victory and bonus points are awarded for defeating:

- A opponent = 1 point
- 2A opponent = 2 points
- 3A opponent = 3 points
- 4A opponent = 4 points

Total points earned will be divided by the number of games played at the deadline date to determine the rating number to be used for seeding.

**Entry Fee = \$100 per school**

- Payable To: District VI
- Mail To: *Forest Hills Athletics*  
J.M. Gironda, D6 Girls Volleyball  
535 Locust Street  
Sidman, PA 15955

**Procedure for Postponement:** Participating schools will be notified by email/phone call.

**Ticket Information**

Gate sale only

Adults = \$6

Students = \$3

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**Tournament Director: Joe Gironda**  
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**Email: [JGironda@FHRangers.org](mailto:JGironda@FHRangers.org)**

**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-2021 TOURNAMENT  
WRESTLING CLASS AA & AAA  
DUAL MEET CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**Dates of Tournament:** 1<sup>st</sup> Round – February 1, 2021  
Semi and Finals – February 6, 2021 **Time** 9am

**Site:** 1<sup>st</sup> Round – At the schools with the highest seeds  
Semi and Finals – Altoona Area High School

**Entry Fee:** \$100.00/Team

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Entry Deadline: TBA.** All teams must send their results to Rich Vetock at Fax 814-472-2233 by 12:00 PM. On Friday, TBA, **please make sure you have the records of the teams you wrestled outside of District 6.** This is very important on your final power rating. The District Committee is not responsible for calling your opponents and getting their records. Teams making the tournament will be notified by Sunday evening. **There will be no weight allowance for the tournament.** This rule is the same as the State Meet.

**Method of Entry: Power Rating Systems:** Power Rating System – System set by the wrestling coaches and approved by the District 6 Committee

**Radio Fees:** \$75.00 per day

**Ticket Information**

Adults and Students: \$5.00

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**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-2021 TOURNAMENT  
WRESTLING CLASS AA**

**Dates of Tournament:** February 19 and 20, 2021

**Last Date to Enter:** February 16, 2021

**Time:** None

**Site:** Altoona Area High School

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Specifications:** Open Tournament

**Rating System:** District 6 Wrestling Coaches Rating Form and Criteria and approved by the District 6 Committee.

**Entry Fee:** \$50 per team plus \$10 per wrestler (ex. Team brings one wrestler fee is \$60, Team brings 15 wrestlers fee is \$200).

**Procedure for Postponement:** Television and Radio

**Radio Fee:** \$75.00

**Ticket Information**

Adults and Students: \$5.00

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**DISTRICT 6 PIAA  
2020-2021 TOURNAMENT  
WRESTLING CLASS AAA**

**Dates of Tournament:** February 27, 2021

**Last Date to Enter:** February 23, 2021

**Site:** Altoona Area High School

**Guidelines for Entry**

**Qualifying Specifications:** Open Tournament

**Rating System:** District 6 Wrestling Coaches Rating Form and Criteria and approved by the District 6 Committee.

**Entry Fee:** \$50 per team plus \$10 per wrestler (ex. Team brings one wrestler fee is \$60, Team brings 15 wrestlers fee is \$200).

**Procedure for Postponement:** Television and Radio

**Radio Fee:** \$75.00

**Ticket Information**

Adults and Students: \$5.00

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