



***District VI Softball
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TO: High School Principals/Athletic Directors
FR: David Caldwell, Softball Chairman
RE: PIAA District VI Softball Tournament

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A. GENERAL

District 6 will conduct an open, single elimination tournament for Class A, AA, AAA and AAAA teams. The Champion from each class: AAAA (plus District 9), AAA (plus District 5), AA and A will represent District VI in the state playoffs this year. Additionally the runner-up from Class AA and A will also represent District VI in the state tournament.

B. ENTRY

Each school desiring to enter the playoffs is responsible to:

1. Calculate the Power Rating after any games on Thursday, May 12, 2016 for Class “A” and “AA” team entry.
2. Calculate the Power Rating after any games on Wednesday, May 18, 2016 for Class “AAA” and “AAAA” team entry.
3. Email (preferred method) or fax the Softball Entry/Power Rating form by:
 - i. **Friday, 10:00am, on May 13, 2016 for Class “A” & “AA”.**
 - ii. **Thursday, 10:00am, on May 19, 2016 for Class “AAA” & “AAAA”.**
4. **Schools submitting their Entry Form and Power Rating after that date and time will not be entered into the playoffs.**

C. ENTRY FEE

A school, which has entered the playoffs, shall mail the \$100 entry fee payable to PIAA District VI to the Softball Chairman on/or before Friday, May 13, 2016 along with this Entry Fee Form.

D. SEEDING

1. Power rating – Four (4) points are received for each victory
2. Bonus points are calculated as follows:
 - i. One point for defeating an “A” team.
 - ii. Two points for defeating an “AA” team.
 - iii. Three points for defeating an “AAA” team.
 - iv. Four Points for defeating an “AAAA” team.
 - v. Two additional points are awarded for a victory over a team with a winning percentage of .700 or higher, using the school’s record as due date of application.
 - (A) It is the responsibility of the team claiming classification points from teams outside of Pennsylvania to provide to the Softball Chairman either:
 - a. Female 2014-15 enrollment number on school letterhead signed by opposing AD or Principal.
 - b. Email confirmation of female 2014-15 enrollment number from opposing AD or Principal.
 - (B) It is the responsibility of the team claiming bonus points from teams outside of PIAA District VI to provide to the Softball Chairman either:

- a. School record on school letterhead signed by opposing AD.
 - b. Email confirmation of team record from opposing AD.
3. Total points earned would be divided by the number of games played at the deadline date to determine the rating to be used for seeding. Schools with identical Power Ratings will be seeded by head to head record then a coin flip if needed.

E. PLAYING FIELD

Games, except the finals, (which are scheduled for Nittany Lion Softball Park, Penn State University) will be played on the softball field of the opponent that has the higher Power Rating.

F. HOME TEAM

The team with the higher Power Rating shall be the **home** team and **host** the game.

G. BRACKETS AND PLAYING DATES

Brackets will be emailed to each school entering the playoffs as soon as efficiently calculated.

Playing dates for Class A and AA are:

Thursday, May 19	First Round
Monday, May 23	Second Round
Thursday, May 26	Semi-Finals

Playing dates for Class AAA and AAAA are:

Monday, May 23	First Round
Wednesday, May 25	Semi-Finals

Playing dates for District Championships are:

Wednesday, June 1	All four (4) Championships A, AA, AAA, AAAA Times TBA
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It is the intent of the District 6 Committee to follow this schedule, but we understand that weather and other factors MAY necessitate flexibility. Actual play date and/or times may change based on school conflicts with the Baseball tournament.

H. GAME TIME

The time schedule is as follows. Schedule days and times are subject to change.

School Fields:

Higher Power Rating	2:50 – 3:20
Lower Power Rating	3:20 – 3:50
Game	4:00

Nittany Lion Softball Park:

Information packets will be given to teams with all the needed information upon making District Finals.

Note: District 6 reserves the right to change game times, dates and location due to weather, field availability and school end-of-year schedule issues.

I. POSTPONED GAME

A game, which is postponed, shall be played the next day – except on a Sunday. The only exception will be if a school has Graduation or another event approved by the Softball Chairman.

J. RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The school with the higher Power Rating will provide a game manager, the playing field (except for final game), at least three (3) new softballs, ball chasers, and the official scorekeeper.

NOTE: The District VI Committee will provide the softballs for the championship games.

2. District VI will hire and pay the umpires. Three (3) umpires will be assigned for all play-off games except the Championship game, which will have four (4) umpires.
3. District VI will award a trophy and 25 individual plaque awards to the champion of each classification.
4. District VI will secure and pay rental fees for Nittany Lion Softball Park.
5. The **home team's Athletic Director, Game Manager or Head Coach** will report the game score to the softball chairman **the day of the game. Call or text to 814-599-2507!**
6. Except for the final game, the host school will make the following phone calls when a game has to be postponed:
 - i. Opponent
 - ii. Umpire Contact Person
 - iii. Chairman
 - iv. News Media

K. ADMISSION PRICES

No admission is charged for games except for the final game. Student tickets are \$3 and adult tickets are \$6.