

P.I.A.A. District 6  
Competitive Spirit Championships

Attention District 6 Principals and Athletic Directors:

As of last week, SOME of the rules for the proposed P.I.A.A. State Championship in Competitive Spirit are posted on the P.I.A.A. website ([www.piaa.org](http://www.piaa.org) under “Girls Competitive Spirit”).

The District 6 Committee of the P.I.A.A. has been wrestling with how best to make this opportunity available to interested member schools while at the same time preparing and managing a quality event for the student/athletes. With time running short to plan an event for this year, the time has come for interested member schools to declare their intention and interest in participating in either a District 6 event, and/ or the State Competition on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Therefore, we are asking that each school Principal/Athletic Director that may be interested in participating hold discussions with Superintendents and School Board. This discussion is necessary since all squads that participate MUST be recognized as a sport by School Boards, with all the monetary, liability and governance implications associated with such recognition.

As you will see by reading the posted rules on the P.I.A.A. website, District 6 is entitled to six spots in the State Championships. Should less than six District 6 schools indicate an interest, the District Committee may wish to skip a District qualifier FOR THIS YEAR. Should more than six schools indicate an interest in participating this year, the Committee will weigh several options including (but not limited to)...

1. Sponsoring a qualifying event, based on P.I.A.A. rules and regulations.
2. Using accredited and agreed upon existing competitions with accredited judges to discern the squads with the six highest scores.
3. Using videos of interested squads and a panel of accredited judges.

Before we can make ANY decision, we need to know with reasonable surety, how many District 6 schools are interested in participating in a District and/or State Spirit Competition event.

Any school with an interest should please return the following signature page to fax number (814)793- 4942 or [dcrumrine@scsd.k12.pa.us](mailto:dcrumrine@scsd.k12.pa.us) before September 28<sup>th</sup> .

Thank you for your interest in the continued promotion of quality events for the athletes of District. 6

The following individuals of the \_\_\_\_\_ School District have discussed the available rules of the P.I.A.A. Spirit Competition and would like to participate THIS YEAR (2012/13) in a District 6 Competition Qualifier/ State Championship should such an event could be put together.

We have discussed the legal and financial obligations of participation and of recognition of the squad as a sport with our School Board and Superintendent.

We have discussed the rules with our Coach and agree to participate under the P.I.A.A. interpretation of those rules. We are aware of the State Championship date, and have considered the impact of any possible Qualifier leading up to that date.

We have discussed the possible academic and attendance implications with our Principal.

\_\_\_\_\_ Athletic Director

\_\_\_\_\_ Date