

2024 DISTRICT IX BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

TO: Principals, Athletic Directors, and Coaches
FROM: Dave Osborne, District IX Baseball Chairman
DATE: April 24, 2024
RE: 2024 District IX Baseball Championships

Teams and Classifications:

AAAAA School	DuBois – Sub-regional tournament with Districts 6 & 8; one qualifier for the PIAA State AAAAA Tournament
AAAA Schools	Bradford, Clearfield, and St. Marys; Sub-Regional tournament with Districts 6 & 8. One qualifier for the PIAA AAAA Tournament
AAA School	Punxsy and Brookville; Sub Regional with Districts 5 and 8 One qualifier for the PIAA State AAA Tournament.
AA Schools	Brockway, Clarion Limestone, Coudersport, Cranberry, Curwensville, Johnsonburg, Kane, Karns City, Moniteau, Redbank, Port Allegany. District 9 will get two qualifiers for the PIAA State AA Tournament.
A Schools	AC Valley, Cameron County, Clarion, Dubois Central Catholic, Elk County Catholic, Keystone, North Clarion, Northern Potter, Oswayo Valley, Otto Eldred, Smethport, Union, 2 qualifiers for the PIAA A Tournament.

Information on this year's baseball tournaments:

1. There are five classes (District IX has no 6A baseball teams).
2. District IX will qualify two teams into the state playoffs in Class A and Class AA
3. Class AAA will be involved in Sub-Regional Tournament with Districts 5 and 8 to enter the PIAA state tournament. District 8/9 will play at a neutral site. Winner will host District 5.
4. Class AAAA will be involved in a Sub Regional Tournament with Districts 6 and 8. The District 9 champion will travel to either district 6 or 8 on May 29th.
5. Class AAAAA will play District 8 the week of May 22. Winner will play District 6 at a site in District 9 on May 29th.
6. Schools should make all possible attempts not to schedule events that may possibly affect the play dates. Please make note of any commencement activities.

The packet contains information and paperwork for entering the District IX Baseball Tournament. The tournament is open to all District IX P.I.A.A. schools. Please review the information for the required submission date and time. The power rating form will serve as the entry form.

Eligibility Open Tournament

Entry Deadline E-mail your entries. E-mails will be confirmed.

Deadline is Wednesday May 15 @ Noon
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Please email or call if you have a question or a concern.

Communications	All communications will be between the District IX Baseball Chairman and the principal or athletic director. <u>No coaches should be involved in the communications.</u>
Game Sites	A and AA – Opening round and Quarterfinals will be at the home site of the higher seed. Semi Finals and Finals will be played at a neutral site. AAA –Finals will be played at a neutral site in District 9 TBA. AAAA – Semi Final and Final will be played at neutral sites. AAAAA – Neutral Sites.
School Personnel	Principals or their designee should attempt to be present at all game sites.
Game Officials	P.I.A.A. registered umpires will be assigned to each game.
Game Manager	The District IX Baseball Chairman will assign a game manager for each game.
Pre-game Meeting	Game managers will hold a meeting 10 minutes before the game with the officials, coaches, and administrators
Rules	All current P.I.A.A. rules are in effect including the pitch count rules. Each team will be responsible for having a person tracking pitch counts. District 9 will also hire an official pitch counter.
Cancellation	In consultation with the game manager, site manager, and the school administration from the participating schools, the decision on a postponement will be made. The game will be rescheduled for the following day. The decision will be made as soon as possible to prevent unnecessary travel. Games will not be postponed due to reasons not related to weather, although times may be adjusted.
Tournament Dates	See attached schedule of games.
Game Balls	The District IX Committee will provide game balls on a limited basis. Participating schools need to be prepared to provide baseballs for each contest.
Awards	Individual medals, for the district or sub-regional champion and runner up, will be presented at the Championship game in each class.

- Radio Fees** Radio Fees will be \$75 per game up to the finals. Games in the finals will be \$100.00 per game. Streaming Fees will be \$100.00 per game up to the finals. Final games will be \$150.00 per game.
- Admission** Admission will be charged at all games. \$8.00 per adult and \$4.00 per student. Cash will be accepted at the door. One ticket will get entry into double headers.
- Complimentary District IX Passes will be accepted
Host schools will be responsible for the admission charge process.
- Seeding** All seeding will be done by committee with games considered through **Wednesday May 15**
- Brackets** The brackets will be released on May 16.

2024 P.I.A.A. District 9 Baseball Playoff Dates

Class A

Number of Schools	Round of Playoffs	Date of Game	Location
9 to 11 teams	First Round (Pigtails)	Monday May 20, 2024	At Higher Seed
	Quarterfinal Round	Tuesday May 21, 2024	At Higher Seed
	Semi-final Round	Thursday May 23, 2024	Nuetral Field
	Championship Game	Monday May 27. 2024	Showers
5 to 8 teams	Quarterfinal Round	Tuesday May 21, 2024	At Higher Seed
	Semi-final Round	Thursday May 23, 2024	Nuetral Field
	Championship Game	Monday May 27, 2024	Showers

Class AA

Number of Schools	Round of Playoffs	Date of Game	Location
9 to 12 teams	First Round (Pigtails)	Monday May 20, 2024	At Higher Seed
	Quarterfinal Round	Tuesday May 21, 2024	At Higher Seed
	Semi-final Round	Thursday May 23, 2024	At Nuetral Field
	Championship Game	Monday May 27, 2024	Showers Field
5 to 8 Teams	Quarterfinal Round	Tuesday May 21, 2024	At Higher Seed
	Semi-final Round	Thursday May 23, 2024	At Neutral Field
	Championship Game	Monday May 27, 2024	Showers Field

Class AAA

Number of Schools	Round of Playoffs	Date of Game	Location
2	Final	Wednesday May 22, 2024	Showers
	Sub Regional D5	Wednesday May 29, 2024	Showers

Class AAAA

Number of Schools	Round of Playoffs	Date of Game	Location
3 Teams	Semifinal Round	Tuesday May 21, 2024	at Neutral Field
	Final Round	Thursday May 23, 2024	Showers Field
	Sub Regional (D6 or D8)	Wednesday May 29, 2024	IN D6 or D8

Class AAAAA

Number of Schools	Round of Playoffs	Date of Game	Location
DuBois	Sub Regional game (D8)	Tuesday May 21, 2024	Greenway Field (8) 3:00
	Sub Regional game (D6)	Wednesday May 29, 2024	District 9 Site

Wednesday May 15th will be the last day to count games toward seeding.

Wednesday May 15th at noon will be the declaration day.

