## P.I.A.A. DISTRICT IX SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

To: Principals, Athletic Directors, and Coaches
From: Peter Grecco, District IX Softball Chairman
April 15 ${ }^{\text {th }}, 2024$
Re: 2024 District IX Softball Championships
The following are in effect for this year's softball tournaments.
(1) There are six classes.
(2) The District Softball committee will use a seeding committee to seed all the District IX teams.

Teams and Classifications
AAAAAA Schools: None in District IX
AAAAA Schools: Dubois - with Districts VI and VIII
AAAA School: Bradford, Clearfield, St. Marys. Sub Regional with D VI and D VIII

AAA Schools: $\quad$ Punxsutawney - With District V
AA Schools: Brockway, Brookville, Coudersport, Clarion Limestone, Cranberry, Curwensville, Johnsonburg, Kane, Karns City, Keystone, Moniteau.

A Schools: A-C Valley, Cameron County, Dubois Central Catholic, East Forest, Elk County Catholic, Northern Potter, Oswayo Valley, Otto Eldred, Port Allegany, Redbank Valley, Sheffield, Smethport, Union, West Forest.
*** This packet contains information, rules and necessary paperwork for entering the District IX Softball Tournament. The tournament is open to any District IX P.I.A.A. school. Please check the application for the required submission date and time.

Copies should be made for Principals, Athletic Directors and Coaches because this information contains the answers to many of the questions that they may ask.

## Helpful Information

$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\text { Tournament Type } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Three classes- } \begin{array}{l}\text { AAAA AA A } \\ \text { AAA Punxsutawney will qualify through the DV } \\ \text { tournament } \\ \text { AAAAA Dubois will compete with D-VI \& D-VIII for a } \\ \text { slot in the state tournament. }\end{array} \\ \text { Eligibility }\end{array} \\ \hline \text { Entries } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Open tournament }\end{array} \\ & \begin{array}{l}\text { All entry forms must be in the tournament director's } \\ \text { hands by Wednesday MAY 15TH at NOON but your } \\ \text { games on Wednesday will count. Call the results of } \\ \text { Wednesday's game into me after your game. Absolutely }\end{array} \\ & \begin{array}{l}\text { no entries will be accepted after the above date and }\end{array} \\ \text { time. PLEASE BE AWARE THAT ENTRIES CAN BE }\end{array}\right\}$

## Pete Grecco

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The above contacts make me available at anytime. Please call if you have a question or a concern.

Roster THE DISTRICT COMMITTEE IS CREATING A PROGRAM FOR ALL GAMES AND IS IN NEED OF A ROSTER OF YOUR PLAYERS. IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY DONE SO, PLEASE FILL IN THE ATTACHED ROSTER FORM WITH PLAYERS LISTED IN NUMERICAL ORDER AND SEND IT TO: pgrecco@brockway.k12.pa.us

They can be found on the D-9 website piaad9.org or in your e-mail at the addresses provided.

| Communications | All communications will be between the District IX Softball Chairman and the school's Principal or Athletic Director. No coaches should enter into any communications. |
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| Game Sites | The higher seeded team will be the home team throughout the tournament. |
| School Personnel | Principals or their designee should 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 Softball Committee will assign a game manager for each game. Game manager forms will be provided. |
| Pre-game meeting | The game manager will hold a meeting 15 minutes before the game with the officials, coaches, administrators, and AD's. |
| Rules | All current P.I.A.A. rules are in effect. |
| Cancellation | The tournament director in consultation with the game manager, site manager, and the school administration from the participating schools will make the decision on a postponement. The game should be rescheduled for the following day. The decision should be made as soon as possible to prevent unnecessary travel. |
| Tournament Dates | The tournament will start the week of MAY 20, 2024. Schedules will be sent out when all entries are known. |
| Game Ball | Game balls will be provided by the District IX Committee on a limited basis. Host schools should be prepared to provide softballs. |
| Awards | Individual plaques, for the district 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. Final Game will be $\mathbf{\$ 1 0 0 . 0 0}$ per game. Streaming Fees will be $\mathbf{\$ 1 0 0 . 0 0}$ per game up to the finals. Final games will be $\mathbf{\$ 1 5 0 . 0 0}$ per game. |

Seeding

## Brackets:

Brackets will be sent out on May 16th

Admission
All seeding will be done by the seeding committee

There will be an admission charge for all games
(1) Tickets for the games are $\$ 8$ for adults and $\$ 4$ for students. ALL TICKETS AT GATE
(2) District passes will be accepted

| Class A (2 Qualify to States) |  |  |  |
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| Amount of Schools | Round of Playoffs | Date of Game | Location |
| 9 to 16 teams | First Round (Pigtails) | Monday May 20, 2024 | At Higher Seed |
|  | Quarter Finals | Wednesday May 22, 2024 | At Higher Seed |
|  | Semi Finals | Friday May 24, 2024 | Neutral Site |
|  | Finals | Monday May 27, 2024 | DuBois Heindl Field |
|  | Consi Game | Monday May 27, 2024 | Higher seed |
|  | True second game | Tuesday May 28, 2024 | TBA |
| 5 to 8 teams | Round of Playoffs | Date of Game | Location |
|  | Quarterfinals | Monday May 20, 2024 | Higher Seed |
|  | Semifinals | Wednesday May 22, 2024 | Neutral Site |
|  | Finals | Monday May 27, 2024 | DuBois Heindl Field |
|  | Consi Game | Monday May 27, 2024 | Higher Seed |
|  | True second game | Tuesday May 28, 2024 | TBA |
| Class AA (2 teams qualify) | Round of Playoffs | Date of Game | Location |
| 9-10 Teams | First Round (Pigtails) | Monday May 20, 2024 | At Higher Seed |
|  | Quarter Finals | Wednesday May 22, 2024 | At Higher Seed |
|  | Semi Finals | Friday May 24, 2024 | Neutral Site |
|  | Finals | Monday May 27, 2024 | DuBois Heindl Field |
|  | Consi Game | Monday May 27, 2024 | Higher Seed |
|  | True second game | Tuesday May 28, 2024 | TBA |
| 4 to 8 teams | Quarterfinals | Monday May 20, 2024 | Higher Seed |
|  | Semifinals | Wednesday May 22, 2024 | Neutral Site |
|  | Finals | Monday May 27, 2024 | DuBois Heindl Field |
|  | Consi Game | Monday May 27, 2024 | Higher Seed |
|  | True Second Game | Tuesday May 28, 2024 | TBA |
| Class AAA (1 Team qualifies) | Round of Playoffs | Date of Game | Location |
| 1 Team Playing with District V | Semifinals | Friday May 24, 2024 | Higher seed |
|  |  | Thursday May 30, 2024 | District IX Site |
| Class AAAA (1 team qualifies) | Round of Playoffs | Date of Game | Location |
| 3 teams | Semifinals | Monday May 20, 2024 | Neutral Site |
|  | Finals | Monday May 27, 2024 | DuBois Heindl Field |
|  | Sub Region vs 6 or 8 | Thursday May 30, 2024 | District VI or VIII Site |
| Class AAAAA ( 1 team qualifies) | Round of Playoffs | Date of Game | Location |
| Plays D 8 | Sub Reginonal VS 8 | Monday May 20, 2024 | District VIII Site |

DISTRICT IX Softball (This Form Is ONLY for REFERENCE) We seed by committee 2024 Power Rating Form

School Name $\underline{\square}$

|  | Date | Opponent | Class <br> 6A/5A AAAA/AAA AA/A | $\begin{gathered} 6 \mathrm{~A}=3 \text { Points } 5 \mathrm{~A}= \\ 2.5 \text { Points } \\ \mathrm{AAAA}=2 \text { Points; } \\ \mathrm{AAA}=1.5 \text { Points; } \\ A A=1 \text { Points; } \\ \mathrm{A}=.5 \text { Points } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Won/Loss Result | Victory Points: <br> Win = 5 Points; <br> Loss = 0 Points |
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