PIAA DISTRICT XI SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Presented by St. Luke's University Health Network 2021

DATES. LOCATIONS. TIMES OF SOFTBALL DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP:

Class	A
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Monday, May 24 Pigtails
Tuesday, May 25 Quarterfinals
Thursday, May 27 Semifinals
Tuesday, June 1 Championship

Class AA (Play in game with District 1) Monday, May 24 Pigtails Tuesday, May 25 Quarterfinals Thursday, May 27 Semifinals **Tuesday, June 1 Championship

**(Tentative-will coordinate with D1)

Class AAA (Sub-regional with District 1) Monday, May 24 Pigtails Tuesday, May 25 Quarterfinals Thursday, May 27 Semifinals Tuesday, June 1 Championship

Class AAAA

Monday, May 24	Pigtails
Tuesday, May 25	Quarterfinals
Thursday, May 27	Semifinals
Tuesday, June 1	Championship

Class AAAAA

Monday, May 24	Pigtails
Tuesday, May 25	Quarterfinals
Tuesday, June 1	Semifinals
Thursday, June 3	Championship

Class AAAAAA

Monday, May 24	Pigtails
Thursday, May 27	Quarterfinals
Tuesday, June 1	Semifinals
Thursday, June 3	Championship

Rain date is the next day in every situation.

Pigtails and Quarterfinals are at the site of the higher seed.

Semifinals and Championships are at neutral sites.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE PERSON IN CHARGE OF TOURNAMENT

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ELIGIBILITY FOR DISTRICT XI SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

A. District XI league champions will automatically qualify for District XI Softball Playoffs and will be seeded before the other teams in their respective classifications. To be recognized, a league must include at least five District XI teams.

Note: Each league chairman shall inform the District Softball Chairman by 3:00 p.m. on May 15, 2021 which school has been declared the league champion.

B. Minimum Qualification by class:

A – 4
AA (Play in w/ D1) – 6 **
AAA (Sub-regional w/ D1) – 8 (2 move onto state tournament) ***
AAAA – 6 (1 or 2 advance to state – clarification needed from PIAA)

AAAAA - 4

AAAAAA - 8 (2 move onto state tournament)

Additionally, teams that have won 50% or more of their league games, or 50% or more of their total scheduled games, will be eligible. Tie games will not count for tournament entrance, however, ties will be considered for seeding.

- C. Any team that chooses to not compete in the District XI Softball Tournament should inform the Softball Chairperson by 4pm on Monday, May 10, 2021.
- D. Only games scheduled prior to the beginning of the softball season will be considered.
- E. All games complete by 6:00 p.m. on May 15, 2021 will be counted toward entrance into the District XI Softball Tournament.

** CLASS AA - Calvary Christian, Dock Mennonite, Bristol, Executive Education, Mahanoy Area, Minersville, Shenandoah, Schuylkill Haven, Williams Valley

*** CLASS AAA - New Hope – Solebury, St. Basil's, MaST Charter, ACC, Catasaqua, North Schuylkill, Northern Lehigh, NDGP, Palisades, Palmerton, Panther Valley, Salisbury, Pen Argyl, Pine Grove,

METHOD OF SEEDING:

The procedure of seeding teams will be as follows:

- A. The District XI Power Rating System will be utilized.
- B. Only games completed on or before May 16, 2021 will be used for seeding purposes.
- C. League Champions- Those teams which are league champions will be seeded at the top of each classification. Where a classification has more than one league champion, the rating system will determine each champion's seeding. This provision does not apply to sub-regionals.
- D. All league champions should be determined by Friday, May 14, 2021.

GAME LOCATIONS: All first round and quarterfinal games will be played on the home field of the higher seeded team. Hosting teams who do not have lights will not be permitted to begin these rounds after 4:30pm.

FINANCES: Reimbursement and expenses will be paid in accordance with District XI Policy.

ASSIGNMENT OF OFFICIALS: Officials will be assigned by the District XI Male and Female Officials Representatives. Officials will be paid by the District at the conclusion of the tournament.

SPORTSMANSHIP STATEMENT:

PIAA requires all registered sports' officials to enforce the sportsmanship rules for coaches and contestants. Actions meant to demean opposing contestants, teams, spectators and officials are not in the highest ideals of interscholastic education and will not be tolerated. Let all contests reflect mutual respect. Coaches will certify prior to the contest that teams are legally equipped according to the rules of that contest.

TOURNAMENT MANAGERS: As determined by District XI Softball Chairperson.

TICKET PRICES:

Semifinals and Championships: Students/Senior Citizens - \$4.00 Adults - \$7.00

AWARDS PRESENTED FOR EACH SPORT:

Championship Trophy for each classification Champion

25 gold and silver medals will be awarded in each class.

PLEASE NOTE:

Each school is responsible to provide for their own trainer. The **top seeded team** will be the home team, regardless of their position in the bracket. Seeding is only recognized for sites on the first and second rounds of play. For the semifinal and final games, the sites are chosen by the District Committee and consideration is given for TV coverage in selecting the sites.

PREGAME SCHEDULE:

50 minutes prior to start – Home team BP (cage)

40 minutes prior to start – Visiting team BP (cage)

30 minutes prior to start - Home team infield/outfield

20 minutes prior to start - Visiting team infield/outfield

10 minutes prior to start – meeting at home plate

5 minutes prior to start – Lineups, National Anthem

OFFICIAL BALL: All Participants in the tournament must use the Dudley (Spalding) 43-147 (Red Stitch).

DATES AND LOCATION OF STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

First Round June 7, 2021 Quarterfinals June 10, 2021

Semifinals June 14, 2021

Finals June 17 **and** 18, 2021 (Beard Field, Penn State University)