

# PIAA District 6 2016 Golf Championships Information

## 2016 District 6 INDIVIDUAL Golf Championships General Information

### **DATES OF INDIVIDUAL SECTIONALS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Boys AA Sectional Individual Qualifier

Monday October 3, 2016 at Summit Country Club at 10:00 AM.

The top 30 Boys AA and ties will advance to the District Championship.

Boys AAA Sectional Individual Qualifier

Monday October 3, 2016 at Sinking Valley Country Club at 10:00 AM.

The top 10 Boys AAA and ties will advance to the District Championship.

Boys AA and Boys AAA District 6 Individual Golf Championships

Wednesday October 5, 2016 and Thursday October 6, 2016 at Scotch Valley Country Club.

There will be a cut after the first day of competition.

Boys AA - The top 20 players and ties will advance to the second day.

Boys AAA - The top 7 players and ties will advance to play the second day.

Girls AA and Girls AAA District 6 Individual Golf Championships

Monday October 10, 2016 and Tuesday October 11, 2016 at Summit Country Club.

The number of contestants will determine whether or not there will be a cut from day one to day two of the tournament. The decision will be made and communicated prior to the start of the tournament.

### **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

- Each member school may send as many golfers that have demonstrated that they can consistently break a score of 100 for 18 holes for boys and 105 for girls.
- District Golf Entry Form must be completed and submitted to the District 6 Golf Director by the deadline date.
- An entry fee of \$20.00 per golfer must be submitted with the PIAA District 6 Golf Entry Form by the deadline date.
- Each player/school MUST have a coach in attendance or athletes will not be permitted to participate.
- Coaches will be required to serve as monitors for a playing group. Coaches will act as marshals and unofficial scorer. At the completion of play, monitors will review scorecards with all players prior to signing scorecards.

### **TOURNAMENT FORMAT**

- USGA Rules of golf will govern all play with the exception of existing local golf course rules.
- All play will be Medal Play.
- All players will be seeded for play on Day 1 based on scoring average submitted by each school.
- Players will be seeded on Day 2 based on Day 1 scores.
- Summer rules will be in effect except for most unusual circumstances. Any changes will be determined by the Host Golf Professional and the District Golf Director.
- Each athlete will be required to keep a score card of an opponent, verify their score and an opponent's score by signing their scorecard and the opponent's scorecard at the conclusion of each round after review with the monitor assigned to the group.
- If required, a play-off to determine a District Champion and the last qualifier to advance to the PIAA Regional Tournament in each classification will be conducted immediately following conclusion of the final round. The Play-off if necessary will begin on a hole determined by the Host Golf Professional and District 6 Golf Director and will continue on a sudden victory basis until Champion is determined or tie is broken.

### **ADVANCEMENT TO PIAA REGIONAL TOURNAMENT**

Boys AA will advance the top 8 Individuals

Boys AAA will advance the top 2 Individuals

Girls AA will advance the top 4 Individuals

Girls AAA will advance the top 1 Individual

## **2016 District 6 TEAM Golf Championships General Information**

### **Dates of Team Sectionals and Championships**

#### Boys AA Sectional Team Qualifier

Monday October 3, 2016 at Summit Country Club at 10:00 AM.

The top 4 Boys AA Teams will advance to the District Championship.

#### Boys AAA Sectional Team Qualifier

Monday October 3, 2016 at Sinking Valley Country Club at 10:00 AM.

The top 3 Boys AAA Teams will advance to the District Championship.

#### Boys AA and Boys AAA District 6 Team Golf Championships

Wednesday October 5, 2016 and Thursday October 6, 2016 at Scotch Valley Country Club.

Teams will participate both days and the Champion will be determined by the lowest two day cumulative score.

#### Girls AA and Girls AAA District 6 Team Golf Championships

Monday October 10, 2016 and Tuesday October 11, 2016 at Summit Country Club.

No Sectional Qualifier Tournament.

Teams will participate both days and the Champion will be determined by the lowest two day cumulative score.

### **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

- The District 6 Team Sectionals and Championships will be determined simultaneously with the Individual Sectionals and Championships.
- Each member school may enter a Boys and Girls Team.
- Teams may be comprised of five (5) individuals, of which the lowest four (4) shall score.
- The players submitted by each member school must have demonstrated that they can consistently break a score of 100 for 18 holes for boys and 105 for girls.
- District Golf Entry Form must be completed and submitted to the District 6 Golf Director by the deadline date.
- An entry fee of \$20.00 per golfer must be submitted with the PIAA District 6 Golf Entry Form by the deadline date.
- Each player/school MUST have a coach in attendance or athletes will not be permitted to participate.
- Coaches will be required to serve as monitors for a playing group. Coaches will act as marshals and unofficial scorer. At the completion of play, monitors will review scorecards with all players prior to signing scorecards.

### **TOURNAMENT FORMAT**

- USGA Rules of golf will govern all play with the exception of existing local golf course rules.
- All play will be Medal Play.
- Four (4) Boys AA Teams and Three (3) Boys AAA Teams will advance from the Sectional Tournament to the District Championship.
- Summer rules will be in effect except for most unusual circumstances. Any changes will be determined by the Host Golf Professional and the District Golf Director.
- Each athlete will be required to keep a score card of an opponent, verify their score and an opponent's score by signing their scorecard and the opponent's scorecard at the conclusion of each round after review with the monitor assigned to the group.
- If required, a play-off to determine a District Team Champion in each classification will be conducted immediately following conclusion of the final round. The play-off if necessary will begin on a hole determined by the Host Golf Professional and District 6 Golf Director and will continue on a sudden victory basis until Champion is determined.
- If required, the play-off format will be. Each coach shall select four (4) players who will participate in the play-off. If there is a two-way tie, the players one and two from each Team will comprise the first group; players three and four from each Team will comprise the second group. If more than two teams are tied, players will be grouped by team position. (i.e. players one comprise the first group, players two comprise the second group, etc.) In all cases, groups will play a pre-determined hole(s) until the Champion has been determined.

### **ADVANCEMENT TO PIAA INTER-DISTRICT SUB-REGIONAL TEAM TOURNAMENT**

Boys AA Team Champion will advance to the sub-regional with District V and VIII.

Boys AAA Team Champion will advance to the sub-regional with District V, VIII, IX and X.

Girls AA Team Champion will advance to the sub-regional with District V and VIII.

Girls AAA Team Champion will advance to the sub-regional with District V, VIII, IX and X.

# RULES AND REGULATIONS (Individual and Team Competition)

## CONTESTANTS ATTIRE

- All golf contestants are required to wear appropriate golf attire (i.e. school-issued golf shirt and golf slacks or golf shorts. No exceptions are permitted. T-shirts, altered apparel, jeans, and advertisements (other than one visible logo/trademark not exceeding 2¼ square inches and not exceeding 2¼ inches in any dimension on a school-issued golf shirt, golf slacks or golf shorts) will be permitted. The contestants' school name/nickname and/or school logo are permitted on the front and/or back of the school-issued golf short and/or cap or visor. Sweaters and/or jackets are permitted when necessitated by weather conditions.

## USE OF RANGE FINDERS

- The PIAA in 2011 stated that during Regular Season and Postseason golf Contests, players are authorized to use devices that measure or gauge distance only (range finders). If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect a player's play (e.g., gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of USGA Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional function is actually used.

## USE OF PULL CARTS

- Beginning with the 2015 Golf Season, the PIAA has permitted the use of NON-Motorized push or pull carts where the host facility permits. Sinking Valley Country Club and Summit Country Club permit push or pull carts on their courses. Scotch Valley Country Club **does not** permit push or pull carts on the course.

## CONDUCT OF PLAYERS

- A two-stroke penalty shall be assessed for conduct unbecoming an interscholastic golfer. Such conduct shall include, but not be limited to, club throwing, defined as releasing a club in anger or in a manner to cause harm to any person or to a golf course; use of abusive language; willful acts which damage property or equipment of a golf course; or other unbecoming conduct, as determined by the Tournament Director.

## RESTRICTION ON USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS

- The PIAA policy and District 6 Committee prohibits the use of tobacco products by participants and non-participating team personnel, including coaches, during any Contest at any level of scholastic athletic competition.

## COACH AND SPECTATOR RULES AND DECORUM

- Coaches and Spectators are permitted to walk and may be permitted to ride a cart on the course no closer than ten (10) yards from the contestants during competition.
- Coaches and Spectators who choose to walk or who are permitted to ride the course during competition, may do so under the following restrictions:
- **IN GENERAL NO COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS DURING PLAY**
- **DO NOT** offer comments or make suggestions to the competitors. **NO COACHING!**
- **DO NOT** observe play closer than ten (10) yards from the group of competitors being observed.
- **DO NOT** cross over or observe play from teeing areas, fairways, or putting greens. Play may be observed from cart paths or the "rough" only.
- **DO NOT** move or talk when a player is addressing the ball or making a stroke.
- **DO NOT** attempt to decide questions of fact nor attempt to apply the Rules of Golf.
- **DO NOT** make comments about any of the competitors.