48th Girls' Volleyball Championships

CUMBERLAND VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL, MECHANICSBURG, PA SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2021

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

The 2021 PIAA Volleyball Championships shall be conducted pursuant to all applicable By-Laws, Policies and Procedures, and Rules and Regulations of PIAA. It is important that the Principal, Athletic Director, and head volleyball Coach of all Teams that have qualified for the PIAA Volleyball Championships and all persons who will have responsibilities involving these activities be fully informed of the policies and procedures described herein. It is also necessary that everyone associated with these championships comply with all policies and procedures, without exception. Failure to comply may result in removal from the PIAA Volleyball Championships.

PIAA member schools are not required to enter PIAA championship events. Entry and participation in the PIAA Volleyball Championships are voluntary. Entry into the PIAA Volleyball Championships signifies that the member school accepts the fact that the PIAA Executive Director, or the Executive Director's designee, reserves the right to make changes in the date and location of Contest sites, and management, operation, schedule, and site of the PIAA Volleyball Championships, if it becomes necessary to do so.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

FIRST ROUND - Tuesday, November 9 SEMI–FINALS - Tuesday, November 16 QUARTERFINALS - Saturday, November 13 CHAMPIONSHIPS (Final) - Saturday, November 20

ENTRY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

PIAA has partnered with MaxPreps, the "Official Statistician of PIAA District and Inter-District Championships" for the purpose of soliciting schedules, rosters, results, and statistics of member senior high schools in the sport of volleyball. That information will be utilized by both District and Inter-District Championship Tournament Directors to provide attending media with up-to-date results and statistical information on the competing schools and to produce souvenir programs.

Accordingly, a representative of each school that qualifies a Team for the PIAA Volleyball Championships is requested to enter its Team's information into MaxPreps using Coach Login, which, if not already established, may be obtained by e-mailing coachsupport@maxpreps.com or calling 800-329-7324 x1. Next, go to www.MaxPreps.com and click the red Coach Login button at the top of the page to login to your Team's account. Under the Main Menu, click the Schedule and Roster links to make sure your Team's schedule, scores, and roster are up-to-date and complete – please be sure to denote your Team captain(s) on your Team's roster. Next, use the Edit My Account icon in the upper right portion of the page to make sure your Team's contact and title information are complete for your Team's Coaching staff.

In addition, member schools qualifying a Team to the PIAA Volleyball Championship Finals are requested to continually update its Team's schedule, roster, results, and statistics and forward an appropriate Team picture to PIAA for use in the Championship program, as follows:

Electronically forward an appropriate Team picture, with a resolution of 266 dpi, or greater, in JPG or PNG format, to <u>lblascovich@piaa.org</u>

THE DEADLINE FOR FORWARDING AN APPROPRIATE TEAM PICTURE IS 4:00 PM, MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021. NO EXCEPTIONS!

ATTENTION: Forward a team photo in JPG or PNG format by 4:00 pm, Monday, November 15, 2021

FIRST ROUND, QUARTERFINAL, AND SEMI-FINAL CONTESTS

Schools that qualify for the first round and schools that advance to the quarterfinals and semi-finals will be notified concerning their opponent, home/away Team, location of Contest, date of Contest, starting time of Contest, and name and telephone number of the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager BY THEIR PIAA DISTRICT VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR.

Principals or Athletic Directors of competing schools, upon notification of relevant information from their PIAA District Volleyball Championships Tournament Director, should IMMEDIATELY contact the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager of their respective Contests and (1) confirm the opponent, home/away Team, location of Contest, date and starting time of Contest; (2) arrange for a locker room, if needed; (3) obtain directions to the Contest site; (4) state the departure time of the Team and the approximate time of arrival at the Contest site; (5) state the anticipated number of spectators from the school and community that will attend the Contest; and (6) state a telephone number at which the Principal or the Athletic Director will be available, up to the announced departure time of the Team.

INCLEMENT WEATHER/POSTPONEMENTS

If at all possible, Contests will be played as scheduled. It shall be the decision of the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager, in consultation with the PIAA Volleyball Championships Tournament Director, as to whether a Contest should be postponed because of inclement weather, unplayable condition of the competition surface, and/or hazardous travel conditions. Postponed Contests must be played later in the day or on the next playable day, at the original Contest site and at the original starting time, if possible.

HOME TEAM

BRACKET PAIRING - FIRST ROUND through SEMI-FINAL Contests

TOP – HOME TEAM **BOTTOM** – VISITING TEAM

BRACKET PAIRING - CHAMPIONSHIPS (FINAL) Contests

TOP – VISITING TEAM **BOTTOM** – HOME TEAM

CONTEST BALLS

EACH PIAA-APPOINTED VOLLEYBALL CONTEST MANAGER has been provided with enough Baden VX5EC-210 volleyballs, the "Official Ball" of the PIAA Volleyball Championships, to provide one (1) to each Team advancing to the PIAA Volleyball Championships first round of play. Schools that advance forward in the tournament are requested to bring the Baden VX5EC-210 volleyball that they were issued by their PIAA-Appointed Volleyball Contest Manager.

Teams are to bring their own "warm-up" balls to all rounds of play. Host sites are not required to provide them.

TEAM ADMISSION TO CONTEST:

Teams participating in the PIAA Volleyball Championships are permitted a maximum of twenty-five (25) persons admitted. This allotment includes players, coaches, managers, scorers, and other Team/school personnel. The 25 members of the team must be identified to site security by the head coach, Athletic Director, and/or Principal. **All MEMBERS OF THE TEAM INCLUDING COACHES, MANAGERS, AND OTHER NON-PLAYING PERSONNEL MUST ENTER THE CONTEST SITE IN ONE GROUP AND AT THE SAME TIME.**

For the 2021 brackets please click here.

Brackets:

SPECTATOR TICKET PRICES

Online ticketing will be available for presale only. No tickets will be sold at the gate for any Inter-District Volleyball Contest sites or for the Championship. Ticket prices for all rounds are \$8.00 plus processing fee.

To purchase tickets, visit <u>www.piaa.org</u> and select "Purchase Championship Tickets" in the upper right side of the website.

PRE-CONTEST MEETING

The Principal, Athletic Director, head volleyball Coach and Team Captains of each school participating in the PIAA Volleyball Championships are required to meet in front of the officials' table with the PIAA-Appointed Contest Manager and officials twenty-five (25) minutes prior to the start of each Contest.

PRACTICE/PRE-CONTEST WARM-UPS

Warm-ups - Once competition begins, Teams must be ready to play after twenty (20) minutes of warm-up. Scheduled Teams may occupy their court for purposes of stretching prior to competition. However, no balls shall be permitted on the court until 30 min prior to competition start time, or permission has been granted by the Contest Manager. The procedure will be a 6-7-7 warm-up format. For the first six minutes, both competing teams share the full court, each occupying their own side. For the next seven minutes, the serving team has full court for seven minutes. For the final seven minutes, the receiving team has full court for seven minutes.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Each Contest shall consist of the best three-out-of-five sets. The first Team to win three sets shall be the winner of the Contest. The first four sets shall be 25 points (no cap), and a Team must win by two points. The fifth and deciding set shall be 15 points (no cap), and a Team must win by two points. The fourth and fifth sets shall not be played unless it is necessary to determine the winner of the Contest.

VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS

Two (2) volleyball officials will be assigned to each Contest by the PIAA Executive Director, or the Executive Director's designee. The PIAA Executive Director, or the Executive Director's designee, will designate the first referee and second referee. The Contest Manager will need to obtain two (2) PIAA-registered volleyball officials for each court to serve as line judges. Each line judge is due \$40.00 per match. The Contest manager will also need to obtain an independent scorer and libero tracker.

NO PROTEST RULE

Under PIAA there can be no protest of Contests as follows:

"The Board of Directors and District Committees will not consider any protest of Contests which are based on play situations or officials' decisions involving interpretation or judgment of plays."

"In no case will the results of a Contest be reversed nor will a Contest be ordered or permitted to be replayed."

"Questions regarding interpretation of rules or judgment of officials should be submitted in writing to the Executive Director."

EMERGENCY HEALTH CARE

A physician and an ambulance will be "on call" for emergency medical care. A PIAA-appointed certified athletic trainer will be available for emergency health care. The PIAA-appointed certified athletic trainer reserves the right to charge a school for any training supplies that are supplied by the trainer and/or that are requested or used by the school. Competing schools are encouraged to bring their own trainer and training supplies.

PRE-PURCHASE ONLINE <u>TICKETS</u> \$8.00 + processing fee for all rounds Adult & Student

2021 CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS SCHEDULE Site: Cumberland Valley High School, Mechanicsburg, PA Date: Saturday, November 20, 2021 Tournament Director: Mrs. Jennifer S. Grassel Statewide Volleyball Rules Interpreter: Mrs. Donna S. Brady

HEAD COACHES of finalist volleyball Teams are required to register with Jennifer S. Grassel, PIAA Executive Director, or her designee, during the appropriate times for each of the respective enrollment classifications.

PIAA VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR:

Registration packets will include: General Information Sheet, Volleyball Lineup Card(s), and Volleyball Score Sheet(s).

Assistant	Executive
	Director

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Registration Times		Championships (Finals)			
1A	-	9:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	-	1A
2A	-	12:00 p.m.	1:00 p.m.	-	2A
3A	_	2:30 p.m.	3:30 a.m.	-	3A
4A	_	5:00 p.m.	6:00 p.m.	_	4A

MEDALS AND TROPHIES

PIAA VOLLEYBALL STATEWIDE RULES INTERPRETER: Donna S. Brady Championship and runner-up Teams in each enrollment classification will be awarded trophies. Twenty-five (25) individual medals will be awarded as well as a team trophy.

To order additional medals please contact: Jostens/Union Emblem Co., 6130 Jonestown Rd. Suite C, Harrisburg, PA 17112 | 717-838-1311 |Email: centralpa@jostens.com

CHAMPIONSHIP MERCHANDISE

CR & A Designs is the official exclusive merchandise representative of PIAA. CR & A Designs will offer official PIAA merchandise, novelties and souvenir programs at the PIAA Volleyball Championships. All items will be available on site as well as the CR & A Designs online store. Anyone that would like to receive PIAA Championships merchandise after the event can visit the CR & A Designs online store by clicking "Store" at www.piaa.org. PIAA®, PIAA Traditional Logo®, P.I.A.A. OFFICIAL and Design®, and SPORTSMANSHIP THE ONLY MISSING PIECE IS YOU and Design® are marks registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Office and are for the exclusive use of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc. Any use of PIAA's marks by third parties, without the express written consent of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc., is strictly prohibited.