

To: District 9 Principals, Athletic Director, and Football Coaches
From: Bob Tonkin, District 9 Football Chairman
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Subject: 2011 -2012 Football Playoff Games

Please note: All dates and locations are tentative. Weather conditions, conflicts, etc. do occur and adjustments must be made.

“AAA” Regional Playoff Format:

<u>Schools:</u>	<u>Enrollment:</u>	<u>PIAA District:</u>
State College	957	District 6
Dubois	565	District 9
Central Mountain	532	District 6
Strong Vincent	538	District 10
Mifflin County	666	District 6
(Indian Valley and Lewistown merger)		

Maximum number of teams in tournament: four (4)

This is **NOT** an open tournament.

Selection process: PIAA Ranking System

Seeding process: PIAA Ranking System

Playoff dates: **Semi-final games:**

Friday or Saturday - Nov. 11 or Nov. 12 - #1 seed vs. #4 seed (at the higher seed)

Friday or Saturday - Nov. 11 or Nov. 12 - #2 seed vs. #3 seed (at the higher seed)

Championship game:

Friday or Saturday - Nov.18 or 19 - #1-#4 winner vs. #2-#3 winner (site-TBA)

PIAA Playoff Format: Refer to www.PIAA.org; Handbook; Rules and Regulations; page 24
football brackets

“AAA” Regional Playoff Format:

<u>Schools:</u>	<u>Enrollment:</u>	<u>League</u>
DISTRICT 9 SCHOOLS		
Bradford	365	District 10
Clearfield	345	MAC
Punxsutawney	365	KSAC
St. Marys	317	KSAC
DISTRICT 6 SCHOOLS		
Johnstown	376	
Bellefonte	372	

Maximum number of teams in tournament: two (2)

This is **NOT** an open tournament.

Selection process: PIAA Ranking System

Coin toss

Seeding process: PIAA Ranking System

Playoff dates: **District 9 Championship game:**

Friday or Saturday - Nov. 11 or Nov. 12- #1 vs. #2 (neutral site)

District 6 Championship game:

Friday or Saturday - Nov. 11 or Nov. 12- #1 vs. #2 (determined by District 6)

Districts 6/District 9 Regional Games

Friday or Saturday - Nov.18 or 19 – District 9 Champion vs. District 6 Champion
(neutral site)

Friday or Saturday - Nov.25 or 26 – District 6/9 Champion vs. District 4 Champion
(neutral site in District 6/9)

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“AA”		
Playoff Format:		
<u>Schools:</u>	<u>Enrollment:</u>	<u>League</u>
A C Valley	256	KSAC
Brookville	189	KSAC
Karns City	223	KSAC
Moniteau	234	KSAC
Sheffield	260	AML

Maximum number of teams in tournament: four (4)

This is **NOT** an open tournament

Selection process: PIAA Ranking System (based on all games)
Coin toss

Seeding process: PIAA Ranking System (based on all games)

Playoff dates: **Semi-final games:**
Friday or Saturday - Nov. 11 or Nov. 12 - #1 seed vs. #4 seed (at neutral site)
Friday or Saturday - Nov. 11 or Nov. 12 - #2 seed vs. #3 seed (at neutral site)

Championship game:
Friday or Saturday - Nov. 18 or Nov. 19 - #1-#4 winner vs. #2-#3 winner (at neutral site)

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“A” **Playoff Format:**

<u>Schools:</u>	<u>Enrollment:</u>	<u>League</u>
Brockway	203	AML - SOUTH
Cameron County	103	AML - NORTH
Clarion Area	92	KSAC
Clarion-Limestone	138	KSAC
Coudersport	144	AML - NORTH
Curwensville	173	AML - SOUTH
Elk County Catholic	107	AML - SOUTH
Johnsonburg	99	AML - SOUTH
Kane	180	AML - SOUTH
Keystone	149	KSAC
Otto-Eldred	163	AML - NORTH
Port Allegany	163	AML - NORTH
Redbank Valley	160	KSAC
Ridgway	133	AML - SOUTH
Smethport	126	AML - NORTH
Union	81	KSAC

Maximum number of teams in tournament: 8 (eight)

Selection process: This will **NOT** be an “open” tournament.

The AML will have four teams guaranteed to participate in the tournament. The KSAC will have two teams guaranteed to participate in the tournament. Two teams will be selected as “at large” qualifiers.

AML QUALIFYING CRITERIA:

If the AML Champion is an “A” classification team, that team will be the #1 ranked AML team. The #2, #3, and #4 teams will be ranked using the following criteria:

1. Winning percentage based on all regular season AML games.
2. Head to head competition

If there is no "A" classification champion, the #1, #2, #3, and #4 schools will be ranked using the following criteria:

1. Winning percentage based on all regular season AML games.
2. Head to head competition
3. PIAA ranking system.

KSAC QUALIFYING CRITERIA:

The #1 and #2 KSAC will qualify using the following criteria and based:

1. **Winning record in the "small" school division of the KSAC.**
(Teams included in the division: AC Valley, Clarion, Clarion-Limestone, Keystone, Redbank Valley, and Union)
2. **Head to head competition.**
3. **PIAA Football ranking system:**
 - a. **Basic Points – "AAA" Teams**
120 points for win over a class AAAA opponent
100 points for win over a class AAA opponent
80 points for win over a class AA opponent
60 points for win over a class A opponent
 - b. **Basic Points – "AA" Teams**
140 points for win over a class AAAA opponent
120 points for win over a class AAA opponent
100 points for win over a class AA opponent
80 points for win over a class A opponent
 - c. **Basic Points – "A" Teams**
160 points for win over a class AAAA opponent
140 points for win over a class AAA opponent
120 points for win over a class AA opponent
100 points for win over a class A opponent

Power points:

Team A picks up 10 points for every win its opponent earns – PROVIDING – Team A has defeated team B.

Example:

Team A (AAAA) 4-0 defeated Team B (AAAA) 2-2 Team A receives 100 basic points plus 20 power points because Team B has 2 victories.

4. **PIAA Power Ranking system plus schedule points.**

Schedule Points:
All teams will receive schedule points for all games schedule regardless of a win or loss.
40 points for every AAAA team scheduled
30 points for every AAA team scheduled
20 points for every AA team scheduled
10 points for every A team scheduled

"AT LARGE TEAMS" QUALIFYING SYSTEM: # 7 and # 8 seeded teams

1. Winning percentage based on all games played.
2. PIAA ranking system based on all games played.

Playoff dates: **Quarter-final games:**
Friday or Saturday - Friday or Saturday - Nov. 11 or Nov. 12 (at higher seeded teams)

Semi-final games:
Friday or Saturday - Friday or Saturday - Nov. 18 or Nov. 19 (at neutral site)

Championship game:
Friday or Saturday - Nov. 25 or Nov. 26 (at neutral site)

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Notes:

Only games scheduled prior to the first practice date of the 2011 – 2012 season will be considered to enter, qualify, and seed the 2011 - 2012 tournament.

If a school does not play a game, or does not play a number of games, or does not complete the season (due to work stoppage, not enough players, etc.), the game or games not played will be considered a forfeit win for their opponent. The results of games played prior to the team not playing will stand.

If a school has a home site for a game and the school's field is unplayable, the District 9 football committee will pick the site where the game will be played.

If a school has a home site for a game and the school chooses not to host the game, the District 9 football committee will pick the site where the game will be played.

If Port Allegany High School or Sheffield Area High School qualifies for a home game, the game must be played in the daylight. Neither school has lights.

Schools must declare their intention to enter the tournament before or immediately after their game played on November 4 or November 5, 2011.