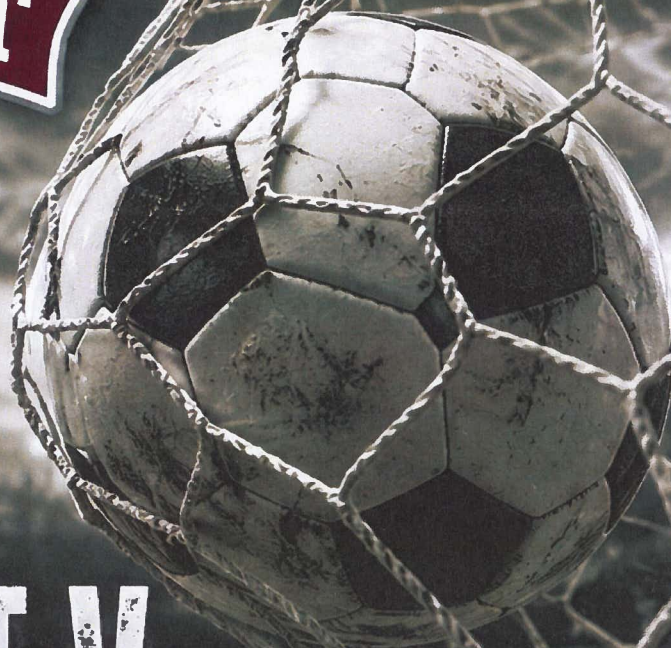
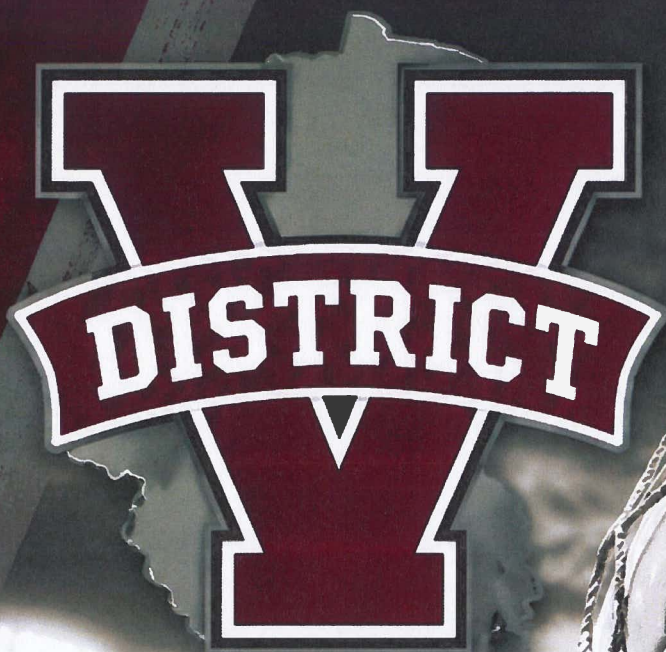




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INFORMATION



2026-2027 SEASON



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IMPORTANT RESOURCES



SCAN THE QR CODES BELOW FOR QUICK ACCESS TO IMPORTANT
DISTRICT V INFORMATION AND FORMS.



PIAA DISTRICT V WEBSITE

Scan this code to visit the
PIAA District V website.
Stay up to date on the latest
news, announcements,
calendars, and more.



<https://district5.piaa.org/>



HANDBOOK & FORMS SECTION

Scan this code to access the
Handbook & Forms section of the
PIAA District V website.

Here you will find important documents,
including the Excel Rating Sheet that
must be used for:

- Initial Schedule Submissions
- Weekly Rating Submissions
- Season Final Rating Forms



<https://district5.piaa.org/DISTRICT%205%20FORMS/index.html>

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2026-27 Boys' Soccer Season

District V Class A and Class AA Boys' Soccer Participating Schools

TO:	District V Class A and Class AA Boys' Soccer Participating Schools
FROM:	Jim Foster, Boys' Soccer Director
DATE:	June 2026
RE:	2026-27 Boys' Soccer Season

The 2026-27 fall sports season is about to begin, and enclosed is ranking information and rating form for the upcoming Soccer Season.

Please complete your rating sheet and return (via email) to me as soon as possible, **no later than Friday, August 21, 2026.**

As we progress through the season, please email me a copy of your rating **each Monday by 9:00 AM** throughout the season. (See dates below). Please utilize and email the original Excel form that is located on the District 5 website, which can be located at:

	District V Rating Sheet http://district5.piaa.org/DISTRICT%205%20FORMS/Blank%20District%20V%20Rating%20Sheet.xlsx
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The completed and updated form should be emailed to james.foster@ctasd.org.

It is important to closely adhere to this time timetable so accurate team records and district rankings can be supplied to area media and District 5 Chairperson. Please notify me immediately if a discrepancy arises.

RATINGS DUE: EACH Monday by 9:00 AM

September 14
September 21
September 28
October 5
October 12
Every Day you play from October 19th to October 26th by 9:00 AM
October 26th – Final Play date for the regular season
October 27th – Final rankings released

REMINDER: DISTRICT 5 CUTOFF DATE IS MONDAY, OCTOBER 26th, 2026!

Each school has received a copy of the District 5 Handbook. Please consult this Handbook for any additional information in this packet. If I can be of any assistance, do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your cooperation.

Jim Foster

james.foster@ctasd.org | W- 814.479.4014 | Fax – 814.479.2038 | e-Fax - 814.479.3720 | C - 814.659.9576

2026-2027 and 2027-2028 Classifications

District V Boys' Soccer

AA	A
Somerset - 256	Berlin – 157 * co-op
Bedford - 232	Everett – 153
Chestnut Ridge – 204 * co-op	North Star – 143
Carrick D VIII	McConnellsburg - 129
	Windber - 124
	Forbes Road – 121 * co-op
	Southern Fulton - 107
	Conemaugh Township - 94
	Northern Bedford - 89
	Rockwood – 76
	Fannett Metal – 41
	Johnstown Christian - 25

NO PARTICIPANTS

In class AA, we are NOT in a sub-regional with District 9 for this cycle. We will still have a subregional with District 8 and the only member school in this classification is Carrick. Carrick has agreed to participate in in-season rankings for class AA with Somerset, Bedford and Chestnut Ridge. We will utilize the District V Rating system to include them in the final rankings that will be released on Tuesday, October 27, 2026. Should Carrick be seeded 1 or 2, the 3 or 4 seed will travel to their facility for the opening round playoff contest. Should Carrick earn the 3 or 4 seed, they will travel to the 1 or 2 seed. Should Carrick participate in the District Championship, a site within the confines of District V shall be utilized that affords convenient travel accommodations pending participants and site availability.

DISTRICT TOURNAMENT-RANKING AND PLAYOFF 2026-27 INFORMATION

1. Ranking is determined by total points accumulated divided by the total games played. (Excluding tournaments, scrimmages, and exhibitions).
2. A minimum of eight schools will advance into the Class A playoff. All member schools in class AA are eligible for playoffs.
3. First round competition will be as follows: 1 vs 8, 2 vs 7, 3 vs 6, 4 vs 5. All games played at highest ranked team! Class A teams with .500 record or better will qualify for the District Playoffs. Preliminary (play-in) contests will be 9 @ 8, 10 @ 7, 11 @ 6
4. The District V cut-off date is Monday, October 26, 2026. IF a preliminary (play-in) contest is necessary, the date for that contest is set for Tuesday, October 27th, 2026.
5. All competitions prior to the District V Championship will be played at the higher seeded team's home field. The District V Championship will be played at a neutral site, artificial surface. Pending extenuating circumstances, this is subject to change through the District Chairman and sports chairman.
6. Semi-final winners will advance to the championship game to be played at a neutral site, unless Teams 1 or 2 do not play in the first round.
7. For championship play, championship contests will be played on an artificial turf field (either Bedford, Conemaugh Township, Somerset or Windber). Exception being if both competing teams are located east of Bedford, the Committee shall consider a mutually agreed upon site that does not afford an artificial surface.
8. The tournament director will contact the Principal and/or the Athletic Director of both schools prior to establishing the playoff site. Any feedback from participating schools regarding the semi-final and final site must be communicated in writing directly to the tournament director within 2 hours of initial contact. The tournament director will relay any feedback to the District Chairperson (Jeff Batzel), who will make the final decision on neutral site selections.

IMPORTANT DATES – 2026-27

Date	Event
August 17, 2026	First Practice Date
August 21, 2026	Regular Season Schedules Due to Tournament Director (use Excel form on District V Website)
August 22, 2026	First Inter-School Practice or Scrimmage Date
August 28, 2026	First Regular Season Contest Date
September 14, 2026	9:00 AM - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
September 21, 2026	9:00 AM - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
September 28, 2026	9:00 AM - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
October 5, 2026	9:00 AM - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
October 9, 2026	Last day to inform the Tournament Director that your school will not participate in District Playoffs
October 12, 2026	9:00 AM - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
October 19 – October 24, 2026	9:00 AM DAILY - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director – per contest played
October 26, 2026	District V Soccer Cut-off Date
October 27, 2026	Final Standings Released for Playoffs
October 27, 2026	Preliminary (play-in) Round Game IF NEEDED (at Higher Seeded Team's Facility)
October 29, 2026	First Round of District V A Playoffs (at Higher Seeded Team's Facility)
October 29, 2026	Semifinals of District V AA Playoffs (higher seeds host, winner advances to District V championship)
October 30/31, 2026	Soccer Playoffs Rain/Weather Date – IF NECESSARY
November 3, 2026	Boys District V A Semifinals – Home Site of the Highest Seeded Participant
November 3, 2026	Boys District V AA Championship (Winner of semifinal contests)
November 5, 2026	Boys District V A Championship – Neutral Site
Nov. 6/7, 2026	Soccer Championships Rain Dates
November 7, 2026	PIAA Last Regular Season Contest Date and District Deadline
November 10, 2026	First Round of PIAA Interdistrict Play
November 14, 2026	PIAA Quarterfinals
November 17, 2026	PIAA Semifinals
November 20, 2026	PIAA Boys Class A and AAA Championship
November 21, 2026	PIAA Boys Class AA & AAAA Championship

<http://district5.piaa.org/DISTRICT%205%20FORMS/Blank%20District%20V%20Rating%20Sheet.xlsx>

P.I.A.A. DISTRICT 5 POINT SYSTEM

1. Please refer to the District V Handbook for the updated point system.
2. No points are awarded for a loss regardless of opponent's classification.
3. Victories over non-PIAA or out of state opponents are addressed in the PIAA V Handbook.
4. Tournament games, scrimmages, and exhibition games do not count in rankings.
5. Forfeiture of a contest will be governed by PIAA regulations.
6. Rankings will be based on all schedules declared on August 15th, 2025.

TIE BREAKING SYSTEM FOR RANKING ONLY

Applied in order

Tournament games will not be used in any of the criteria listed below.

1. Head-to-head victor, if the teams played each other.
2. Winning percentage versus all common opponents in all games played (regardless of the number of times two schools play each other).
3. Bonus points as calculated by wins by defeated opponents divided by games played.
4. Winning percentage calculated by wins divided by games played. Ties count as half.
5. Greatest number of wins, excluding tournaments, scrimmages, and exhibitions.
6. Coin toss at site convenient to both schools.
7. If schools with records less than .500 are tied for the last slot on the playoff bracket and having the same rating, playoff games or matches will be held at a neutral site. Applies to all sports except Football.

Rules applicable to Mixed Gender Teams:

Because PIAA does not have a Mixed Gender classification, the following provisions govern participation by Mixed Gender Teams:

- For Post Season purposes, Mixed Gender Teams (other than in the sport of Spirit) shall compete only in the sport classifications designated for boys.
- For enrollment classification purposes, a Mixed Gender Team shall be classified by using the school's enrollment number for whichever gender constitutes a majority of the Team members.

Please refer to the District V Handbook for current gate fees for playoff contests and means for entry payments.

Playoff Times – All contests are set to begin at either 4:30 or 7:00 PM unless a time change is approved by the District Chairperson.

Thank you and Best Wishes to all for a safe and successful season!

August 2026

PIAA DISTRICT V BOYS SOCCER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 1st Practice Date for Soccer	18	19	20	21 Soccer Schedules Due to Tournament Director	22 1st Inter-School Practice or Scrimmage Date
23	24	25	26	27	28 1st Regular Season Contest Date	29
30	31					

September 2026

PIAA DISTRICT V
BOYS SOCCER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Rating Sheet Submission – prior to 9:00 AM on District- provided Excel sheet	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Rating Sheet Submission – prior to 9:00 AM on District- provided Excel sheet	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Rating Sheet Submission – prior to 9:00 AM on District- provided Excel sheet	29	30			

October 2026

PIAA DISTRICT V BOYS SOCCER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5 Rating Sheet Submission — prior to 9:00 AM on District- provided Excel sheet	6	7	8	9 Last day to inform tournament director that your school will not participate in District V Playoffs	10
11	12 Rating Sheet Submission — prior to 9:00 AM on District- provided Excel sheet	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Updated rating sheets due to director — prior to 9:00 AM on District-provided Excel sheet	20 Updated rating sheets due to director — prior to 9:00 AM on District-provided Excel sheet	21 Updated rating sheets due to director — prior to 9:00 AM on District-provided Excel sheet	22 Updated rating sheets due to director — prior to 9:00 AM on District-provided Excel sheet	23 Updated rating sheets due to director — prior to 9:00 AM on District-provided Excel sheet	24 Updated rating sheets due to director — prior to 9:00 AM on District-provided Excel sheet
25	26 District V Soccer Cut-off Date	27 Final Standings released for Playoffs Preliminary (play-in) contests, if needed	28	29 Class A — 1st Round of District Playoffs (higher seed hosts) Class AA — Semi-finals	30	31

November 2026

PIAA DISTRICT V BOYS SOCCER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3 Class A Semi-final Class AA Championship	4	5 Class A Championship	6	7 Last Regular Season Contest Date & District Deadline
8	9	10 PIAA Playoffs — Round 1	11	12	13	14 PIAA Quarterfinals
15	16	17 PIAA Semifinals	18	19	20 Classes A and AAA Championships	21 Classes AA and AAAA Championships
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					