

TO: ALL PRINCIPALS, ATHLETIC DIRECTORS AND COACHES

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SUBJ: 2009 DISTRICT V FOOTBALL INFORMATION

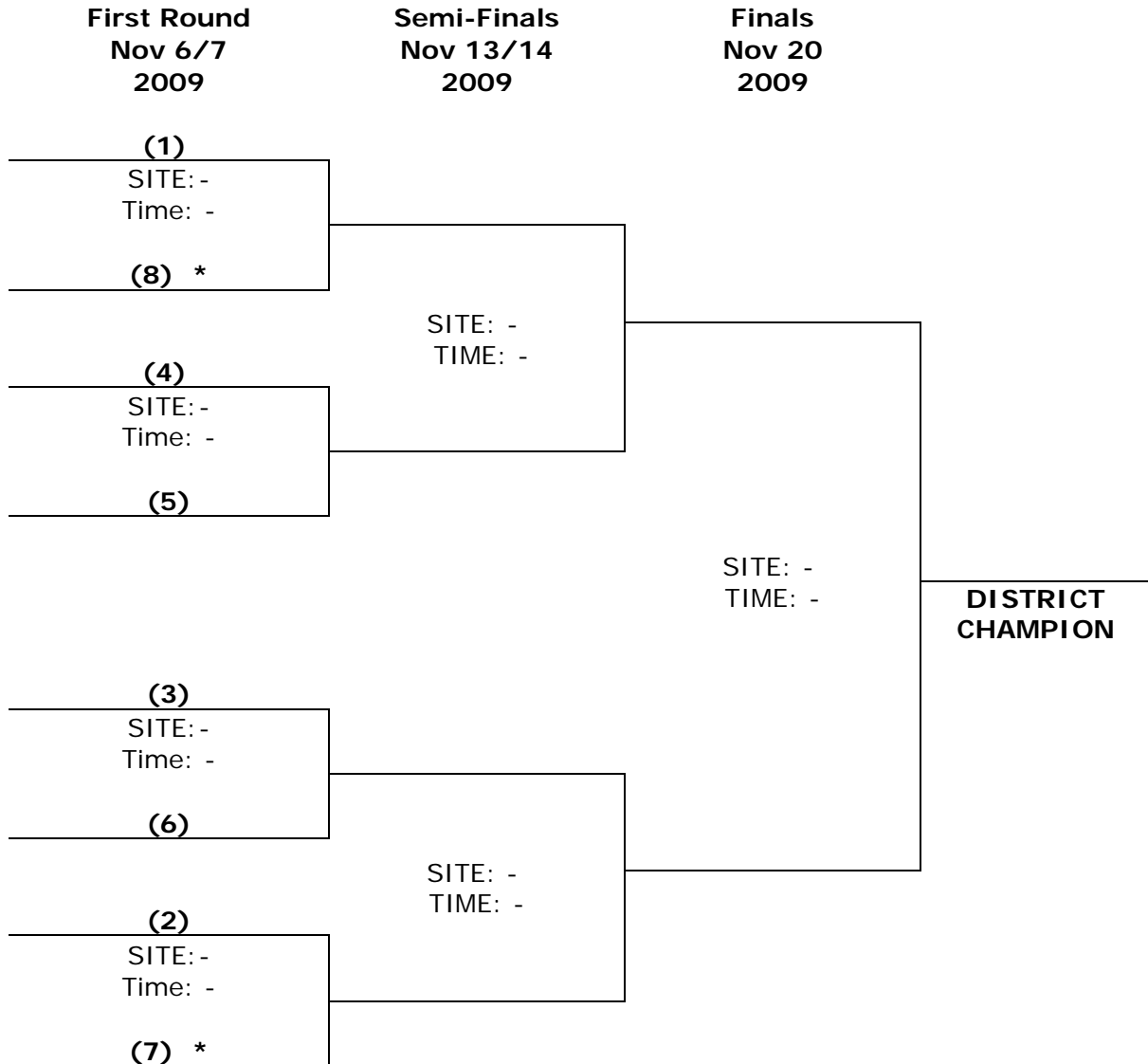
DATE: AUGUST 2, 2009

- I. It is that time of the year again for the submission of our football schedules for ranking purposes. Regular season schedules are to be submitted to the district statistician (Jeff Batzel) no later than Thur. Sep. 3. Rankings should be on the District V website (<http://district5.piaa.org/sports>) each Monday.
- II. District V Football Ranking system
  - A. Ranking is determined by total points accumulated divided by the total games played. Scrimmages do not count.
  - B. The top 6 rated schools plus any school below 6<sup>th</sup> place (but no lower than 8<sup>th</sup>) with at least 4 wins will qualify for the playoffs in Class A. The AA Tournament is sub-regionalized with District. **The top 2 rated schools will qualify automatically in AA with the third place team qualifying if they have a minimum of 4 wins.**
- III. Important dates
  - A. First Regular season play date and schedules due to District statistician – Sep. 4
  - B. Declaration date for teams not wishing to enter playoffs – Mon. Oct. 12.
  - C. District cutoff date – Oct. 31
  - D. Class “A” Quarterfinals – Nov. 6 and 7 at highest seed (Highest seed gets first choice of Fri/Sat)
  - E. Class “A” Semifinals – Nov. 13 and 14 at highest seed (Highest seed gets choice of Fri. or Sat.) unless highest seed has already hosted in a Quarterfinal, then a neutral site will be used.
  - F. Class “A” Championship – Fri. Nov. 20 at Neutral Site
  - G. Class “A” State tournament first round – Dec. 4 or 5 versus WPIAL Champion at a WPIAL site.
  - H. Class “AA” Semifinal – **Fri. Nov. 6 or Sat. Nov. 7 if 3 teams qualify**
  - I. Class “AA” Championship – Sat. Nov. 14 (afternoon game) at a neutral site.
  - J. Class “AA” Sub-regional at District 8 Champion on Sat. Nov. 21.
  - K. Class “AA” Sub-regional Champion state first round on Nov. 27 or 28 at District 5-8 site.
  - L. State Finals – Dec. 18-19 at Hershey Park Stadium
- IV. Point System
  - A. A team receives 4 points for a win
  - B. Bonus points are awarded on the following basis:
    1. 1 point awarded for a win over a class A or out of state school, total 5 pts.
    2. 2 points awarded for a win over a class AA school, total 6 pts.
    3. 3 points awarded for a win over a class AAA school, total 7 pts.

- 4. 4 points awarded for a win over a class AAAA school, total 8 pts.
  - C. No points are awarded for a loss regardless of opponents classification
  - D. Rankings are based on all school schedules that are turned into the District V football statistician prior to the first legal playing date for the season and no games added after the season begins may be counted.
  - E. Ranking is in order of total points accumulated divided by the number of games played, excluding tournaments, scrimmages, and exhibition games
  - F. Forfeiture of contests will be governed by PIAA rules
- V. Tie Breaker system for Ranking only
- A. Head to head victor, if the teams played each other
  - B. Record vs common opponents
  - C. Bonus Points as calculated by wins by defeated opponents divided by games played.
  - D. Winning percentage calculated by wins divided by games played.
  - E. Greatest number of wins, excluding tournaments
  - F. Coin toss at site convenient to both schools
- VI. Tie Breaker system for Rank of 6<sup>th</sup> Place (Class A) or 2<sup>nd</sup> Place (Class AA)
- A. Both qualify if they have 4 wins, see above for ranking tie breakers
  - B. See Tiebreaker system in “V” above if they do not have 4 wins to determine the 6<sup>th</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> automatic qualifier.
- VII. Football Schedule Form
- A. Send your 2008 Schedule along with school and home contact information (email, FAX, phone) for your Principal, AD, and Head Coach.
  - B. Please FAX this information or email a form with all the pertinent information to the District V statistician prior to the 1<sup>st</sup> legal playing date (Sep 4).
- Jeff Batzel, Northern Bedford HS FAX 766-4753 email [jbatzel@hotmail.com](mailto:jbatzel@hotmail.com) or [jbatzel@nbcsd.org](mailto:jbatzel@nbcsd.org)
- C. There will be no need to report scores. If there are problems obtaining your scores you will be informed and alternate plans will be made.

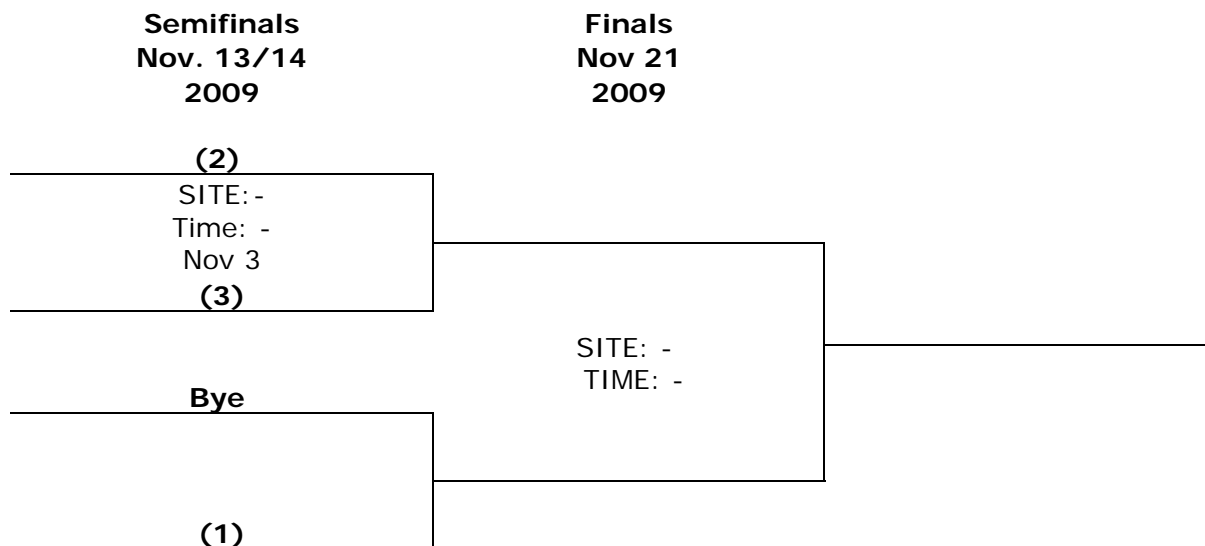
VIII. District V Football Playoff Brackets (2008)

## District V “A” Football



\* 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> spots will be byes unless teams ranked #7 and #8 in the final ratings have 4 or more wins.

# District V “AA” Football



\* 3rd spot will be byes unless team ranked #3 in the final ratings has 4 or more wins.

## IX. PLAYOFF GAME ADMINISTRATION

- A. The Game Manager will be the liaison between the host site and the District 5 committee
- B. There will be seven officials assigned by the District committee and the host site will provide 4 chain crew personnel
- C. The host site will provide game workers (ticket sellers/collectors, announcer, scoreboard operator, ambulance service, security, etc.) to ensure the smooth operation of the contest.
- D. The host site will control any concession stands and control all costs and receipts.
- E. Bands and Halftime  
The designated Home team band will perform the national anthem and the 15 minute halftime will be split among the two bands with the visiting band performing the first 7.5 minutes and the home band performing the last 7.5 minutes of halftime.
- F. The host site will control and assign press box accommodations for both teams press box personnel and the media in a fair and equitable manner.

## X. PRE GAME WARMUPS

- A. The visiting team will have the choice of which end of the field they prefer to warm-up on

- B. Warm-up period prior to the game will be limited to 1 hour. No team is permitted onto the field more than 1 hour and fifteen minutes prior to scheduled kickoff and both teams must be off the field 15 minutes prior to the start time.
- C. The coin toss will be conducted by the officials 30 minutes prior to game time. A mock toss will be held at midfield just before kickoff.

XI. TICKETS AND SCHOOL REIMBURSEMENT

- A. There will be 6 complimentary tickets provided for each school, for each round of the District 5 Football Playoffs.
- B. Cheerleaders in uniform and each school's marching band along with a reasonable number of chaperones/advisors will be admitted free.
- C. There will be no travel, meal, or pre-sale of tickets reimbursement for the District 5 Football Playoffs.

XII. SCHOOLS OPTING NOT TO ENTER DISTRICT PLAYOFFS

- A. Schools do have the option of not entering the District 5 playoffs even if they would qualify.
- B. Schools choosing not to participate must inform the District statistician, District Football Chairman, and District 5 Chairman of their intentions no later than Mon. Oct. 6.

XIII. GAME BALLS

- A. Each school will be provided with a National Federation approved football for the playoffs by the District 5 committee for each playoff game.
- B. Each team must submit their game ball to the game officials upon request prior to each playoff game.