TO: **District V Class A and Class AA Boys' Soccer Participating Schools**

FROM: **Jim Foster, Boys' Soccer Director**

DATE: **June 2021** **updated September 2, 2021**

RE: **2021-22 Boys' Soccer Season**

The 2021-22 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 20. 2021.**

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 form that is located on the District 5 website, which can be located at:
http://district5.piaa.org/DISTRICT%205%20FORMS/Blank%20District%20V%20Rating%20Sheet.xlsx
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 13	October 11	**October 26th - Final Standings Released**
September 20	October 18	
September 27	Every Day you play from 19th to October 26th by 9:00 AM	
October 4		

REMINDER: DISTRICT 5 CUTOFF DATE IS MONDAY, OCTOBER 25th, 2021!

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.

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2020-2021 and 2021-2022 Classifications

AAA	AA	A
NO PARTICIPANTS	Somerset – 262	North Star – 144
	Bedford – 235	Everett – 139
	Chestnut Ridge – 219	Windber – 137
	Forbes Road – 111 * voluntary upgrade	Salisbury – 117
	District V Teams that are classified in the AA classification will participate in a 4 team District V Playoff Series.	Rockwood – 113
		McConnellsburg – 108
		Berlin – 107
		Northern Bedford County – 104
		Conemaugh Township – 103
		Southern Fulton – 81
		Johnstown Christian School – 80
		Fannett Metal – 59
		HOPE for Hyndman - 26

DISTRICT TOURNAMENT-RANKING AND PLAYOFF 2021 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 4 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. Play-in games will be 9 @ 8, 10 @ 7, 11 @ 6 ….

4. The District V cut-off date is Monday, October 25, 2021. **IF** a play-in contest is necessary, the date for that contest is set for Tuesday, October 26th , 2021.

5. Second round competition will be the semi-final games played at ~~a~~ the higher seed site with approval from the Sport Chair and District 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. Travel, field availability, and facilities will be criteria for neutral site selection. For championship play, it is strongly preferred that championship contests be played on an artificial turf field.

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 faxed directly to the tournament director within 2 hours of initial contact. The tournament director will relay any feedback to the District Chairperson (Paul Leonard), who will make the final decision on neutral site selections.

IMPORTANT DATES – 2021-22

Date	Event
August 16, 2021	First Practice Date
August 20, 2021	Regular Season Schedules Due to Tournament Director (use Excel form on District V Website) http://district5.piaa.org/DISTRICT%205%20FORMS/Blank%20District%20V%20Rating%20Sheet.xlsx
August 21, 2021	First Inter-School Practice or Scrimmage Date
September 3, 2021	First Regular Season Contest Date

September 13, 2021	**9:00 AM** - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
September 20, 2021	**9:00 AM** - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
September 27, 2021	**9:00 AM** - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
October 4, 2021	**9:00 AM** - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
October 11, 2021	**9:00 AM** - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
October 18 – October 26, 2021	**9:00 AM DAILY - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director**
October 15, 2021	Last day to inform the Tournament Director that your school will not participate in District Playoffs
October 25, 2021	District V Soccer Cut-off Date
October 26, 2021	Final Standings Released for Playoffs
October 26, 2021	Play-in Game IF NEEDED
October 28. 2021	First Round of District V A Playoffs
October 28, 2021	Semifinals of District V AA Playoffs
October 29/30, 2021	Soccer Playoffs Rain/Weather Date – IF NECESSARY
November 2, 2021	Boys District V A Semifinals – Higher Seed with approval
November 4, 2021	Boys District V A and AA Championship – Neutral Site
November 5/6, 2021	Soccer Championships Rain Dates
November 6, 2021	Boys District V A Runner-up vs. Boys District 9 A Runner-up – Neutral Site
November 6, 2021	PIAA Last Regular Season Contest Date and District Deadline
November 9, 2021	First Round of PIAA Interdistrict Play
November 13, 2021	PIAA Quarterfinals
November 16, 2021	PIAA Semifinals
November 19, 2021	PIAA Boys Class AA & AAAA Championship
November 20, 2021	PIAA Boys Class A & AAA Championship

P.I.A.A. DISTRICT 5 POINTS 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 20th , 2021.

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 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!