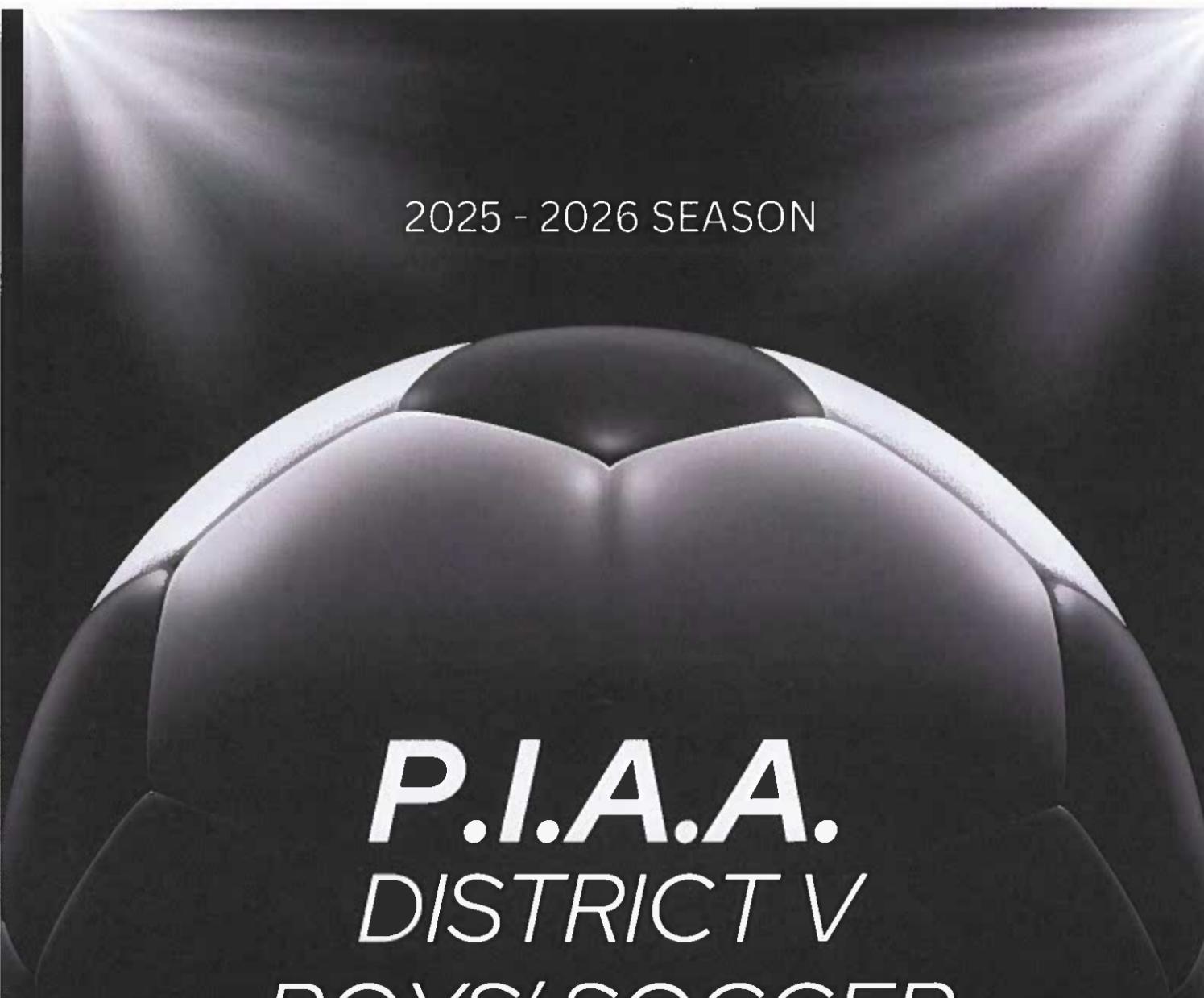


2025 - 2026 SEASON



P.I.A.A.
DISTRICT V
BOYS' SOCCER

Important information for the 2025-2026 season,
including important dates and tournament
information.

AUGUST 11, 2025



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



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

FROM: Jim Foster, Boys' Soccer Director

DATE: June 2025

RE: 2025-26 Boys' Soccer Season

The 2025-26 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 15, 2025.**

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 15	October 13 Per Contest	October 24 th - Final Standings Released
September 22		
September 29		
October 6		

Every Day you play from October 13th to October 20th by 9:00 AM

REMINDER: DISTRICT 5 CUTOFF DATE IS MONDAY, OCTOBER 20th, 2025!

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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2024-2025 and 2025-2026 Classifications

AAA	AA	A
NO PARTICIPANTS	Somerset - 271	Berlin - 168
	Chestnut Ridge - 227	Everett - 167
	Bedford - 207	North Star - 164
	Carrick (D8) - 221	Windber - 140
	We will crown a DV champion on Oct. 28 th and the winner will move on to a D5/9 regional contest. The winner of the regional contest will move on to PIAA Interdistrict play. The D5/9 regional contest will be played within the boundaries of District IX for the 2025-2026 season.	McConnellsburg - 129
		Conemaugh Township - 122
		Southern Fulton - 108
		Northern Bedford - 101
		Rockwood - 84
		Fannett Metal - 65
		Forbes Road - 48
		HOPE for Hyndman - 24
		Johnstown Christian School - 16

DISTRICT TOURNAMENT-RANKING AND PLAYOFF 2025-26 INFORMATION

- Ranking is determined by total points accumulated divided by the total games played. (Excluding tournaments, scrimmages, and exhibitions).
- A minimum of eight schools will advance into the Class A playoff. All member schools in class AA are eligible for playoffs.
- 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
- The District V cut-off date is Monday, October 20, 2025. **IF** a play-in contest is necessary, the date for that contest is set for Tuesday, October 21nd, 2025.
- 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. Pending extenuating circumstances, this is subject to change through the District Chairman and sports chairman.
- 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.
- For championship play, it is strongly preferred that championship contests be played on an artificial turf field (either Somerset or Windber).
- 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 – 2025-26

Date	Event
August 11, 2025	First Practice Date
August 15, 2025	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 16, 2025	First Inter-School Practice or Scrimmage Date

August 22, 2025	First Regular Season Contest Date
September 15, 2025	9:00 AM - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
September 22, 2025	9:00 AM - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
September 29, 2025	9:00 AM - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
October 6, 2025	9:00 AM - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
October 13, 2025	9:00 AM - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
October 13 – October 21, 2025	9:00 AM DAILY - Rating Sheets Due to Tournament Director
October 10, 2025	Last day to inform the Tournament Director that your school will not participate in District Playoffs
October 20, 2025	District V Soccer Cut-off Date
October 21, 2025	Final Standings Released for Playoffs
October 21, 2025	Play-in Game IF NEEDED (at Higher Seeded Team's Facility)
October 23, 2025	First Round of District V A Playoffs (at Higher Seeded Team's Facility)
October 23, 2025	Semifinals of District V AA Playoffs (3 seed travels to 2 seed, winner advances to District V championship)
October 24/25, 2025	Soccer Playoffs Rain/Weather Date – IF NECESSARY
October 28, 2025	Boys District V A Semifinals – Home Site of the Highest Seeded Participant
October 28, 2025	Boys District V AA Championship (Winner of 2/3 plays 1 at neutral site)
October 30, 2025	Boys District V A Championship – Neutral Site
October 30, 2025	Boys AA District V/IX Regional Playoff – District IX hosts in 2025-26
Oct. 31/Nov. 1, 2025	Soccer Championships Rain Dates
November 1, 2025	PIAA Last Regular Season Contest Date and District Deadline
November 4, 2025	First Round of PIAA Interdistrict Play
November 8, 2025	PIAA Quarterfinals
November 11, 2025	PIAA Semifinals
November 14, 2025	PIAA Boys Class AAAA Championship
November 15, 2025	PIAA Boys Class A & AAA Championship

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 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 First Practice Date	12	13	14	15 Final Date to submit soccer schedules to tournament director	16 First Soccer Scrim- mage Date
17	18	19	20	21	22 First Regular Season Contest Date	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Initial Submission— Updated rating sheets due to director— prior to 9:00 am.	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Updated rating sheets due to director— prior to 9:00 am.	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 Updated rating sheets due to director— prior to 9:00 am.	30				

October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Updated rating sheets due to director— <i>prior</i> to 9:00 am.	7	8	9	10 <i>Last day to inform tournament director that your school will not participate in Dis- trict V Playoffs</i>	11
12	13 Updated rating sheets due to director— <i>prior</i> to 9:00 am.	14 Updated rating sheets due to director— <i>prior</i> to 9:00 am.	15 Updated rating sheets due to director— <i>prior</i> to 9:00 am.	16 Updated rating sheets due to director— <i>prior</i> to 9:00 am.	17 Updated rating sheets due to director— <i>prior</i> to 9:00 am.	18 Updated rating sheets due to director— <i>prior</i> to 9:00 am.
19	20 <i>District V Soccer Cut- off date</i>	21 Final Standings re- leased for playoffs Play-in contests if needed	22	23 Class A—1st round of playoffs (higher seed hosts) Class AA—semifinals	24	25
26	27	28 Class A Semifinal Class AA Champion- ship	29	30 Class A Champion- ship Class AA Regional contest @ District IX	31	

November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Last regular season contest date and dis- trict deadline
2	3	4 PIAA 1st Round of playoffs	5	6	7	8 PIAA Quarterfinals
9	10	11 PIAA Semifinals	12	13	14 AA and AAAA Soccer Championships	15 A and AAA Soccer Championships
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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