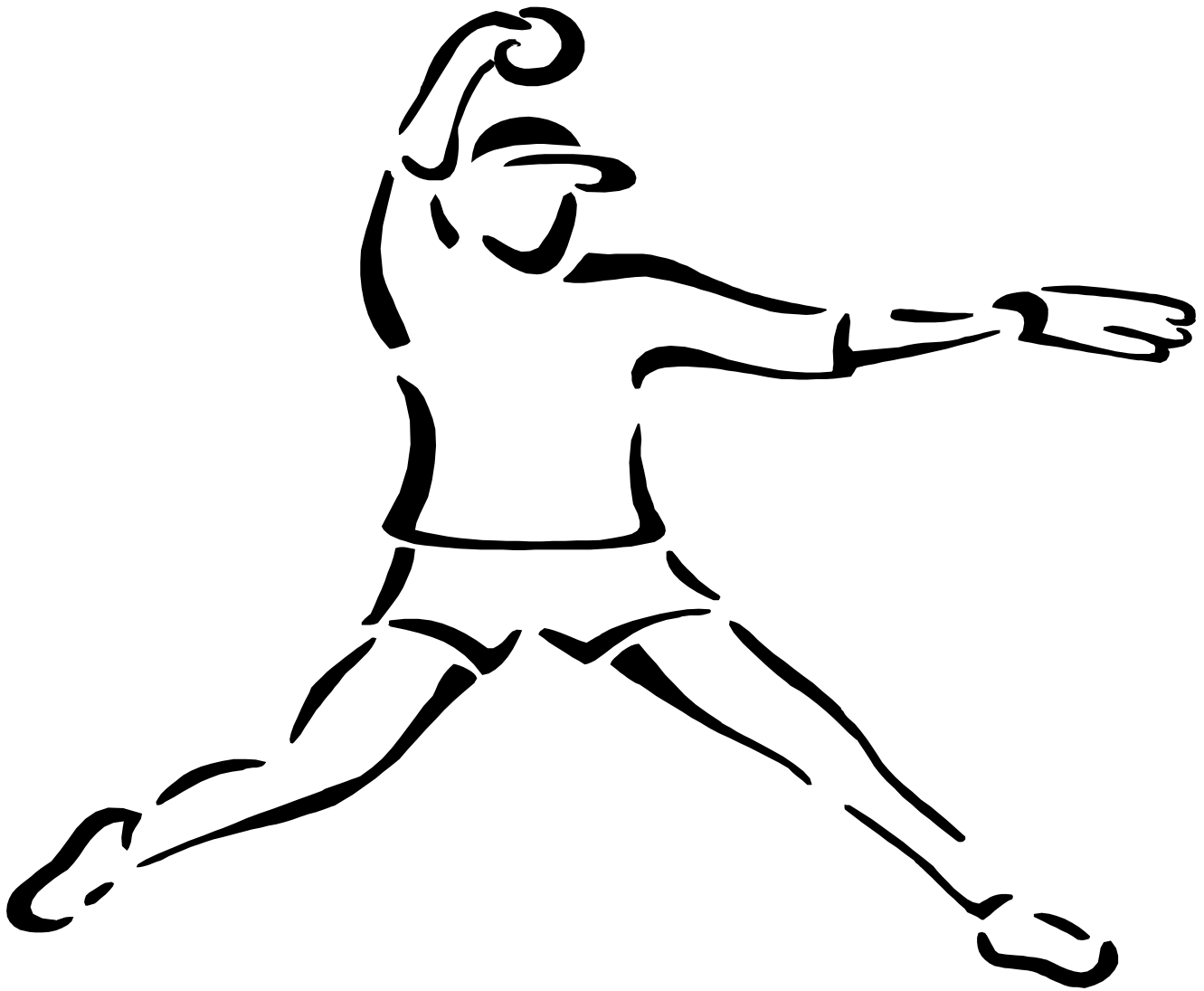


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Dates of interest

Monday, May 23	Point cards due.
Wednesday, May 25	Seeding Meeting
Monday, May 30	Memorial Day
Tuesday, May 31	Sectional Quarterfinals games begin. If more than 8 teams qualify, the highest seed will host a doubleheader. (i.e. If nine teams qualify the 8 seed plays the 9 seed at the 1 seed - the winner will then play the 1 seed after a short break)
Thursday, June 2	Sectional Semifinal games
Saturday, June 4	Section IX Finals Minisink Valley Fields - Class D at 2:30 Class A at 4:30 Class AA at 6:30 SUNY New Paltz - Class C at 2:30 Class B at 4:30
Sunday, June 5	Rain date for Section 9 Finals

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Monday, June 6 Class AA – Sec 1 at Sec 9 at Minisink Valley HS at 5:30
Class A – Sec 1 at Sec 9 at Minisink Valley HS at 3:30
Class D – Sec 9 has a bye into the State Tournament

Tuesday, June 7 Class B – Double header format – Section Champions
from 1, 8, 9 & 11 will all travel to Section 11
1 vs. 9 @ Section 11 – time & site TBA
8 vs. 11 @ Section 11 - time & site TBA
Winners will play - time & site TBA

Class C – Double header format – Section Champions
from 1, 8, 9 & 11 will all travel to Section 11
1 vs. 9 @ Section 11 - time & site TBA
8 vs. 11 @ Section 11 - time & site TBA
Winners will play - time & site TBA

Wednesday, June 8 **State Quarterfinals**

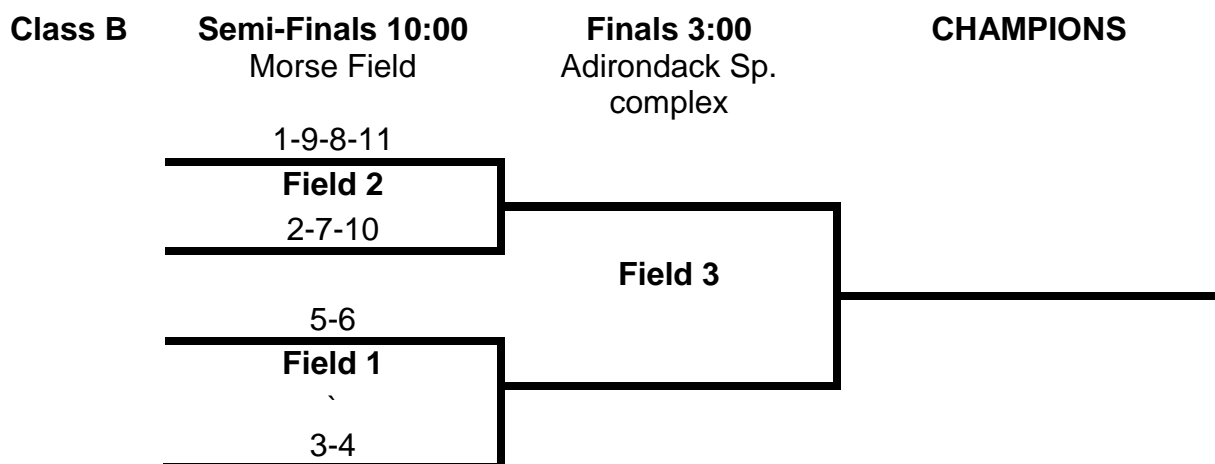
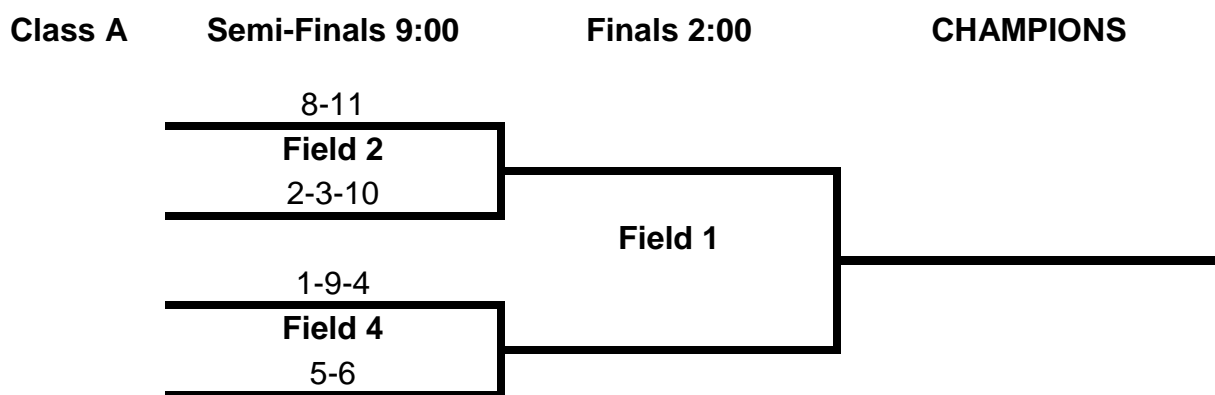
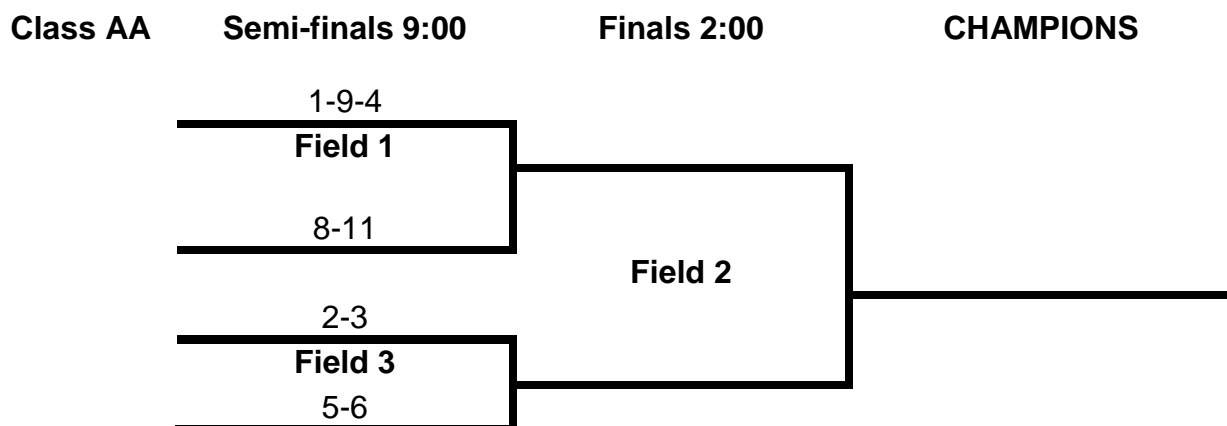
Class AA - Section 9-1 winner will host Section 4
If Section 1 at Nanuet at 3:00
▪ 4:30 if no A game
If Section 9 at Minisink Valley at 5:30
▪ 3:30 if no A game

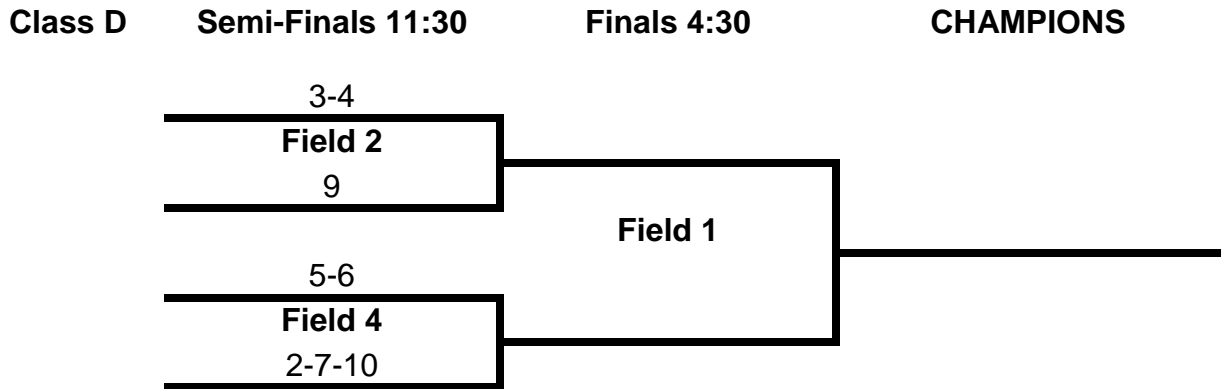
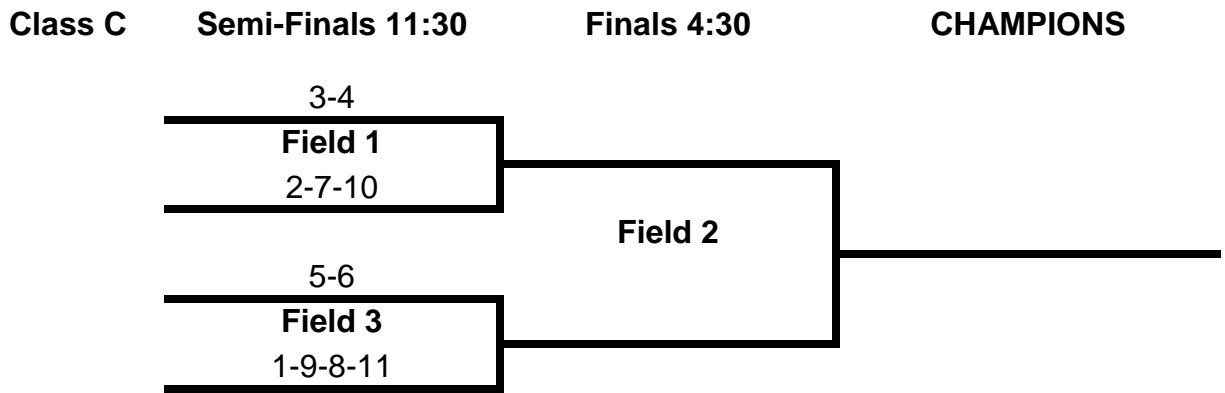
Class A - Section 9-1 winner will host Section 4
If Section 1 at Nanuet at 5:30
▪ 4:30 if no AA game
If Section 9 at Minisink Valley at 3:30

Sat., June 11 State Tournament at the Adirondack Sports Complex,
Queensbury, NY (Section 2)

Sunday, June 12 Rain date for State Tournament

2011 State Softball Championship Tournament
Saturday, June 11, 2011
Adirondack Sports Complex





SECTION 9 SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT - 2011

CRITERIA FOR PARTICIPATION: A team is eligible to participate in the tournament provided one of the following criteria is met:

1. .500 or better division* record
2. .500 or better overall class record
3. .500 or better division class record
4. Overall plus points
5. Plus points in division
6. .500 or better in division games and **mandatory** crossovers combined
7. Tournament committee selection

* There has been some confusion on what games should be considered as "division games", especially in Class AA. This is explained in detail on the page with enrollments.

POINT CARDS: Please completely fill out both point cards. If you have games that still must be played, ***list the opponent and the date. Leave the rest blank. Do NOT do add the totals.*** Your assistance in accurately reporting your results will assure the best possible seeds.

SEEDING: Teams will be seeded based on their point cards. They must be submitted no later than Monday, **May 23rd**. The results of any games played after the submission of the point cards and prior to seeding should be faxed to Steve Boucher at 876-5581 or a voicemail can be left at 871-5500 ext. 5535.

The seeding will be done by dividing the number of division points by the number of division games in the regular season

It is imperative that all teams complete their league schedule before the seeding meeting on Wednesday, May 25th. If a team fails to complete their league schedule their seed will be determined by the Section IX Softball committee.

The Tie Breaker will be:

1. Head to Head results
2. Overall points divided by overall games.
3. Tournament Committee determination.

SITES: 1. All games up to the finals will be played at the home site of the higher seeded team. Every attempt should be made to play the games on the scheduled dates. Any changes must be approved by the Sectional Committee. To further simplify the organization and assignment of umpires, the host team must choose a start time of either 4:00 PM or 7:30 PM if you have access to lights. Please indicate your choice on the point cards. In the finals, the higher seeded team is the home team.

2. If a game is to be canceled due to inclement weather, **before it begins**, the decision will be made by the home school. If a game is canceled, the home school is responsible for the immediate notification of either Chairperson. Once a game begins, the umpires will have the authority to cancel or suspend the game.

3. Rain outs will be rescheduled for the **NEXT** day.

RULES: A.S.A. fastpitch softball rules will be enforced. A 15 run mercy rule will be in effect throughout Sectional Tournament play, with the exception of the finals in each class. **Please note that Sectional, Regional, and State Tournament games do not need to go a full seven innings to be considered official.** However, everything humanly possible should be done in an effort to play a seven inning game.

UMPIRES: The umpires will be selected and assigned according to the guidelines approved by Section IX. All games prior to the finals will use two umpires. The finals will use 3 umpires.

GAME BALLS: Each team is responsible for providing **3** new game balls for each game played. The **DUDLEY SB12LRFY-FP-NFHS (optic yellow-red stitch)** is the only ball that can be used for sectional games.

TEAM DROPPING OUT OF TOURNAMENT: Any team dropping out of the tournament will not be replaced. Their opponent will be awarded the forfeit and advance.

PROTESTED GAME DURING SECTIONAL PLAY: Protests must be lodged in accordance with A.S.A. rules. A formal protest must be in writing and faxed to the Sectional Co-Chairperson, Bruce Guyette, no later than 8:00 a.m. of the day following the protested game. **A protest form is attached to this handbook.** A protest committee will be set up consisting of the League Chairpersons and a State Rules Interpreter. All decisions of this committee will be final

REPORTING GAME RESULTS: Coaches of the **HOME** team are required to contact local newspapers with game results and other pertinent information.

AWARDS: 1. Trophies - A championship plaque will be awarded in each class
2. Shields - New York State Athletic Shields will be awarded to the members of the five tournament champions.

TICKETS: 1. Ticket prices - Sectional Finals - \$2.00 for students and \$3.00 for adults.
Regionals - \$5.00 per person
2. Athletic directors may submit a gate list **not to exceed 15.**

SECTION IX SOFTBALL COMMITTEE

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School Enrollments

Class AA 925 & up	Class A 525 - 924	Class B 305-524	Class C 175-304	Class D 174 & below
FDR	Cornwall	John S. Burke	Chapel Field*	Coleman
Kingston	Goshen	Ellenville	Chester	Family School
Middletown	Marlboro	Highland	Eldred	Livingston Manor
Minisink Valley	Monticello	Liberty	Fallsburg	Roscoe
Monroe Woodbury	New Paltz	James I. O'Neill	Millbrook	
NFA	Port Jervis	Onteora	Pine Plains	
Pine Bush	Red Hook	Rhinebeck	S.S. Seward	
Valley Central	Rondout Valley	Spackenkill	Tri-Valley	
Warwick	Saugerties	Sullivan West	Webutuck	
Washingtonville	Wallkill	Tuxedo		

*Chapel Field is Class D in enrollment but will compete in Class C for 2011

What is a "Division Game"?

Section IX is made up of two leagues, each having divisions based on enrollment. The Orange County League (OCL) has six divisions while the Mid-Hudson Athletic League (MHAL) has four divisions.

With the exception of OCL Division I and OCL Division II (all Class AA Schools) only **division games** are used for seeding. In the OCL Division I and OCL Division II the "cross over" games (Division I vs Division II) are also used.

These are the games that should be entered on your Division Point Card.

Section IX Point System

<u>AA WIN AGAINST (POSITIVE)</u>	<u>AA LOSS TO (NEGATIVE)</u>
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AA	6		6
A	5		7
B	4		8
C	3		9
D	2		10

<u>A WIN AGAINST (POSITIVE)</u>	<u>A LOSS TO (NEGATIVE)</u>
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AA	7		5
A	6		6
B	5		7
C	4		8
D	3		9

<u>B WIN AGAINST (POSITIVE)</u>	<u>B LOSS TO (NEGATIVE)</u>
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AA	8		4
A	7		5
B	6		6
C	5		7
D	4		8

<u>C WIN AGAINST (POSITIVE)</u>	<u>C LOSS TO (NEGATIVE)</u>
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AA	9		3
A	8		4
B	7		5
C	6		6
D	5		7

<u>D WIN AGAINST (POSITIVE)</u>	<u>D LOSS TO (NEGATIVE)</u>
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AA	10		2
A	9		3
B	8		4
C	7		5
D	6		6

SECTION IX TOURNAMENT SEEDING MODIFICATION

Rationale: If a team is competing in a Class “X” Sectional Tournament their seed should be determined by including a certain number of games against Class “X” opponents.

Part I - If more than 50% of the division games used to determine the seed of a team are against schools of a **smaller** class the following rules will apply:

- 1.) The team must meet either criteria a or b:
 - a. A minimum of 25% of their total games must be played against teams that are in their own class.
 - b. A minimum of 50% of their “non-league” games must be played against teams that are in their own class.
- 2.) If a team meets either criterion, the games against teams that are in their own class are included in the games used for seeding.
- 3.) If a team does not meet either criterion their seed is adjusted so it is no higher than #5.

Part II - If more than 50% of the division games used to determine the seed of a team are against schools of a **larger** class, the use of **non-division games** against teams that are in the same class is **optional**, no minimums apply, and will only be used if it improves their points/games.

Notes:

- This effects only the seeding, not the qualification process.
- A non-league game is one that is not considered mandatory by the league. In the MHAL cross over games are mandatory. In the OCL only the Division 1 vs. Division 2 games are considered mandatory (they are all AA schools).
- League Playoff games and League Championship games are considered non-division for seeding purposes and as “league assigned” for application of the 50% rule.

SEEDING MODIFICATION WORKSHEET INSTRUCTIONS

There are two situations where the modification could apply:

1. Type 1 - A larger school with more than 50% their of division games against smaller schools.
2. Type 2 - A smaller school with more than 50% their of division games against larger schools.

During the 2011 **softball** season there are three schools that could **potentially** be affected by the modification:

- FDR – AA in a division with all A schools (Type 1)
- Onteora – B in a division with all A schools (Type 2)
- Coleman – D in a division with all C schools (Type 2)

For each of these schools, determine:

- a) Total number of games played
- b) Total number of non-league games played
- c) Number of games against opponents of the same class
- d) Number of non-league games against opponents of the same class

For Type 1 determine if they meet either the criteria:

- Is the number of games against opponents of the same class divided by total number of games played $\geq 25\%$?
- Is the number of non-league games against opponents of the same class divided by total number of non-league games played $\geq 50\%$?
- If yes, these games are included in determining the seed
- If no, the team can not be seeded higher than 5th.

For Type 2 only include the non-league games if they improve their points/games number.

SEEDING MODIFICATION WORKSHEET

School _____ Class _____ Number used to seed _____

A. Enter the total number of games played _____

B. Enter the total number of non-league games played _____

C. Enter the number of games vs. opponents of your class _____

D. Enter the number of non-league games vs. opponents of the your class

E. Divide C by A _____

F. Divide D by B _____

G. For Type 1 - If E is $\geq 25\%$ or $F \geq 50\%$ combine the division games and the non-league games opponents of the same class to get the number used to seed.

a. Division Record _____ Division Points _____

b. Non-League Class Record _____ NLCS Points _____

c. Record used to seed (a+b) _____ Points/Games (a+b) _____

If $E < 25\%$ and $F < 50\%$ they can be seeded no higher than 5th

H. For Type 2

a. Division Record _____ Division Points _____
Division Points / Division Games _____

b. Non-League Class Record _____ NLCS Points _____

c. Record used to seed (a+b) _____ Points/Games (a+b) _____

Only include non-league games if Points/Games is greater than
Division Points / Division Games

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School _____ Class _____

Check the first qualifying criteria that your team has met (only one check needed)

1. .500 or better Division record _____
2. .500 or better Overall Class record _____
3. .500 or better Division Class record _____
4. .500 or better in combination of division & mandatory crossovers _____
5. Plus points in division _____
6. Overall plus points _____

Records

A. Division Record _____ Division Points _____ Points ÷ Games _____

B. Division Class Record _____ Overall Class Record _____

C. Overall Record _____ Overall Points _____

D. You only need to complete this part if you qualify for the modified seeding procedure-see page 11 For 2011 that includes FDR (Type 1), Oteora (Type 2), and Coleman (Type 2)

Non-Division Class Record _____ Non-Division Class Points _____

Division + Non-Division Class Record _____

Division + Non-Division Class Points _____ Points ÷ Games _____

If we are the home team, the game will start at (circle one) 4:00 PM 7:30 PM

Signature _____ Coach's home phone _____ School phone _____
 Coach's e-mail _____ Fax # _____
 Coaches cell phone _____

Please fax this completed form and both point cards to Steve Boucher at 845-876-5581 by 2:00 PM on Monday, May 23rd, 2011

SUBMITTING ROSTERS
For 2010-11 NYSPHSAA State Championship Programs

Section coordinators/schools/coaches must follow the roster submission procedure to ensure their roster appears in the program. Rosters should only be submitted via the nysphsaa.org web site. Here are the instructions:

1. Go to: www.nysphsaa.org and click on "Championships" on the left menu.
2. Once you have clicked on "Championships", click on "roster reporting forms"
3. Choose your sport and complete the roster, then click "submit"

NOTE: Before clicking on "submit", print out a copy for your file.

IMPORTANT: We are asking rosters to be submitted in the pre-season or at the start of the regular season for the following sports: **Football, Volleyball, Boys & Girls Basketball, Boys & Girls Lacrosse, Baseball, and Softball.** Updates for these rosters can be made by the coach/school when needed by contacting the NYSPHSAA office.

SUBMITTING PICTURES
for 2010-11 NYSPHSAA Championship Programs

Section coordinators/ schools/coaches to send their team photos to for championship programs:

pictures@nysphsaa.org

1. Send only one school or section photo, not variations of a team photo
2. Enter the SPORT and the SCHOOL in the SUBJECT section of your e-mail.

Coordinators/schools/coaches will be contacted if their school or section photo was NOT received. Pictures should be submitted immediately after Sectionals conclude.

******* IT IS IMPERATIVE SECTION SPORT COORDINATORS COMMUNICATE THESE PROCEDURES WITH COACHES or WE CANNOT ACCEPT ROSTERS AND PICTURES FOR PROGRAMS *******

SUBMITTING "WHERE ARE THEY NOW" INFORMATION
for 2010-11 NYSPHSAA Championship Programs

If you are interested in submitting information about where former NYSPHSAA athletes are, we will include that info in our programs. Simply visit our web site to fill out the form and/or send photos to us at: wherenow.nysphsaa@gmail.com.

SUBMITTING STATE TOURNAMENT RESULTS & SCHEDULES

ALL SITES MUST REPORT RESULTS OF ALL STATE TOURNAMENT GAMES/EVENTS. When reporting Regional and State Tournament scores/results, please forward all results to the following e-mail immediately after they happen: sports@nysphsaa.org or fax Pat Gillespie at 607.266.0232. All NYSPHSAA sports information will be hosted at www.nysphsaa.org (as of 10/17/06).

FOR QUESTIONS on reporting results or on championship programs, contact NYSPHSAA Director of Marketing, Joe Altieri at 518.690.0771 or altieri@nysphsaa.org or Barb Hennessey at bsacci@nysphsaa.org.
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