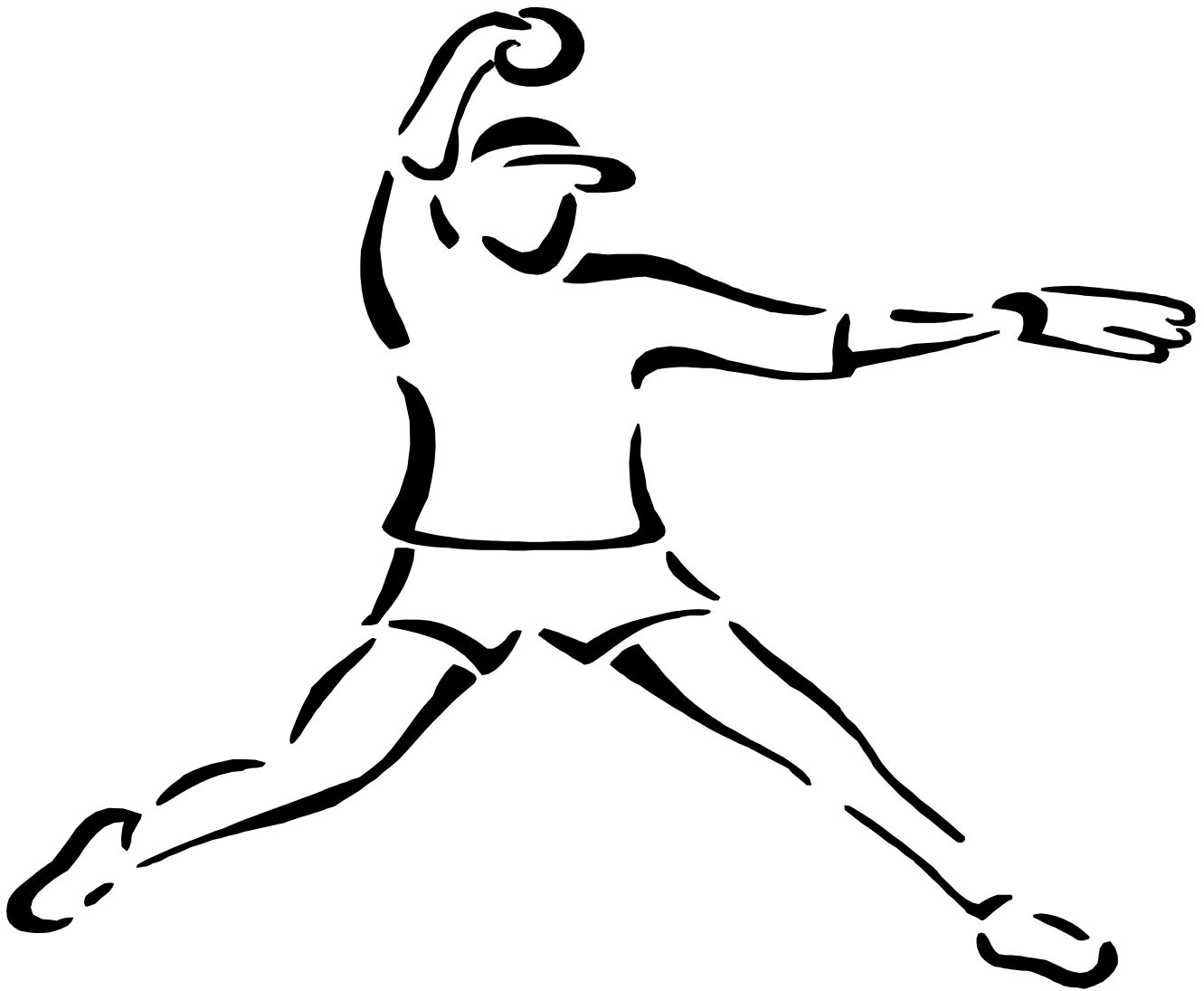


Section IX Softball



2009

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Dates of interest

Thursday, May 21	Point cards due.
Monday, May 25	Memorial Day
Monday, June 1	If more than 8 teams qualify, out bracket games will be held. (i.e. 8 seed vs. 9 seed, 7 seed vs. 10 seed, etc)
Tuesday, June 2	Sectional Quarterfinals games
Thursday, June 4	Sectional Semifinal games
Saturday, June 6	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 7	Rain date for Section 9 Finals

NYSPHSAA STATE SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT – REGIONALS

Monday, June 8 Class AA – Sec 4 at Sec 1 at Nanuet HS at 5:30
Class A – Sec 4 at Sec 1 at Nanuet HS at 3:00
Class D – Sec 9 has a bye into the State Tournament

Tuesday, June 9 Class B & Class C – **New doubleheader format for 2009.**
Section Champions from 1,8,9 & 11 will all travel to
Mitchell Field (Section 8).
1 vs. 9 @ Section 8 - 2:00 pm
8 vs. 11 @ Section 8 - 2:00 pm
Winners will play following a short break

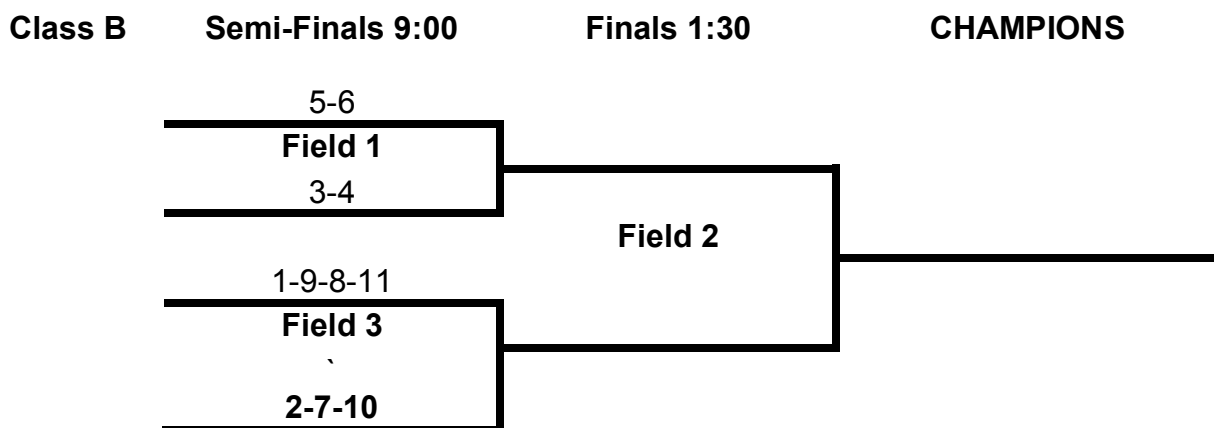
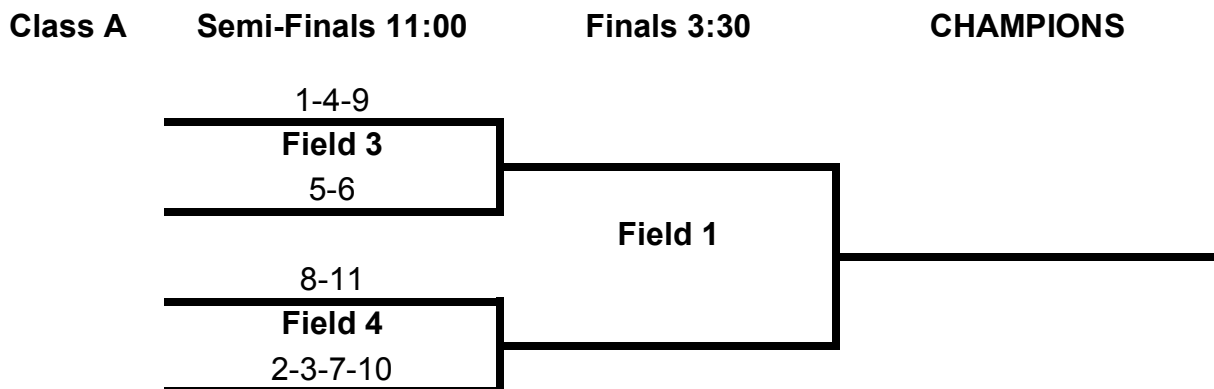
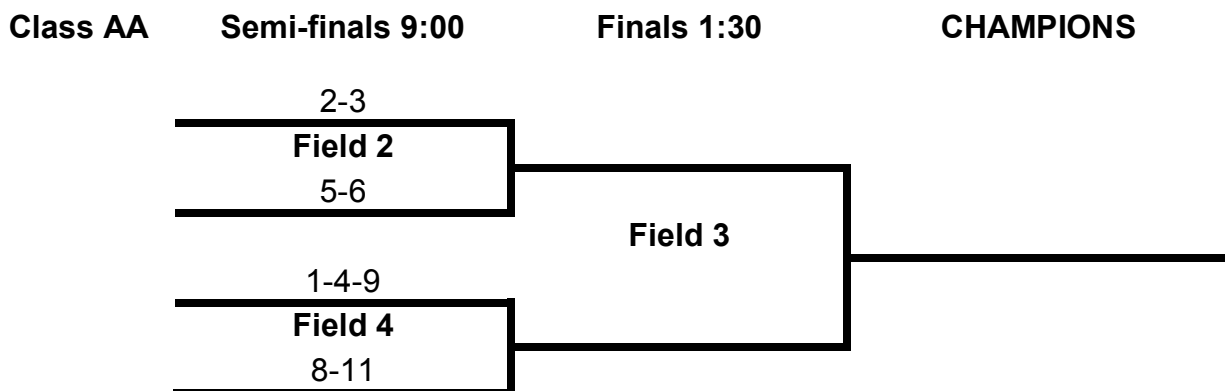
Wednesday, June 10 **State Quarterfinals**

Class AA - Section 1-4 winner will host Section 9
If Section 4 at BAGSAI at 4:00
If Section 1 at Nanuet HS at 5:30
Class A - Section 1-4 winner will host Section 9
If Section 4 at BAGSAI at 4:30
If Section 1 at Nanuet HS at 3:00

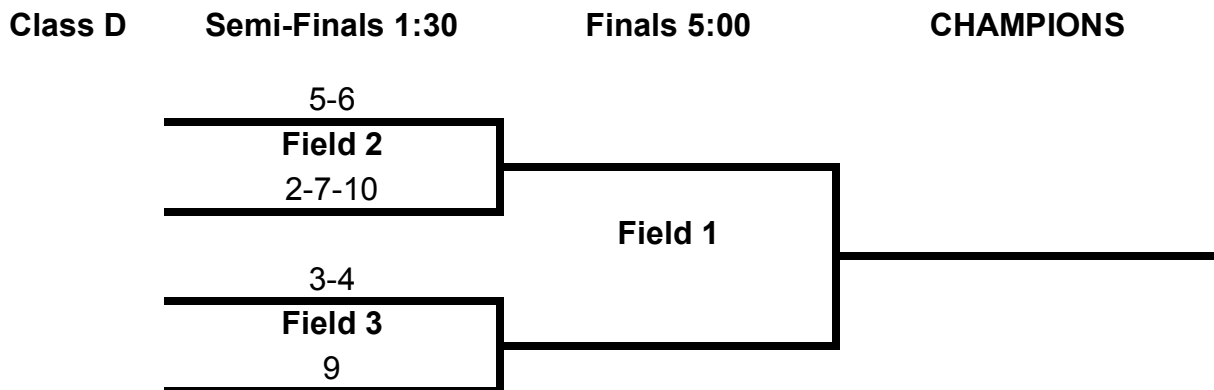
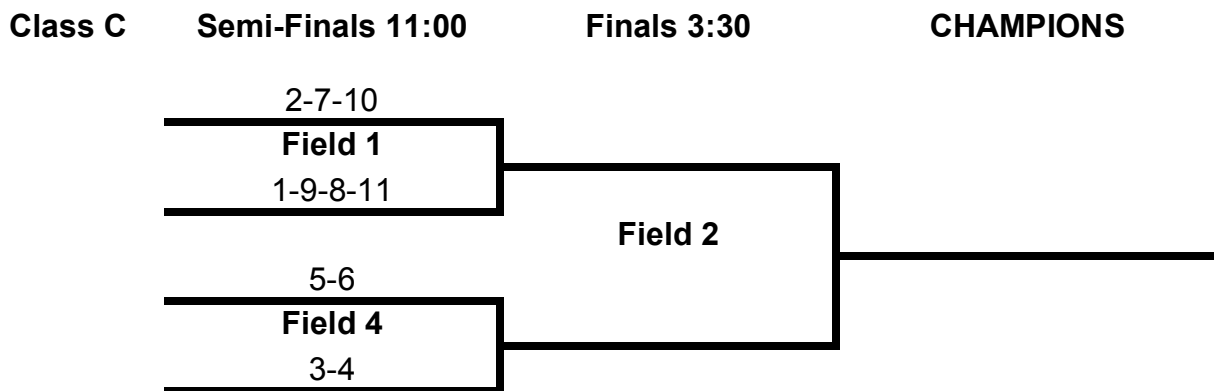
Sat., June 13 **State Tournament** at Waterloo HS (Section V)

Sunday, June 14 Rain date for **State Tournament**

2009 State Softball Championship Tournament
Saturday, June 13, 2009
Waterloo High School



2009 State Softball Championship Tournament
Saturday, June 13, 2009
Waterloo High School



SECTION 9 SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT - 2009

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. Plus points in division
5. Overall plus points
6. 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**. Your assistance in accurately reporting your results will insure the best possible seeds.

SEEDING: Teams will be seeded based on their point cards, which must be submitted no later than Thursday, **May 21**. The results of any games played after the submission of the point cards and prior to seeding should be faxed to Bruce Guyette at 355-5198 or a voicemail can be left at 355-5100 ext 8539

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 Thursday, May 28th. 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 the 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 complete, 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 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. The coach of the **WINNING** team is asked to call Bruce Guyette's voicemail (355-5100 ext 8539) with the results. Coordination of the next game must be done as soon as possible.

AWARDS: 1. Trophies - A championship and runner-up 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

Name , School & e-mail	League	Phone
Bruce Guyette Minisink Valley High School bguyette@minisink.com	Sectional Chairman	Home: 845-355-2815 School: 845-355-5150 Fax: 845-355-5198 Cell: 845-551-0474
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Jason Closs Chester Academy jcloss@chester.ouboces.org	OCL Representative	Home: 845- 468-0214 School: 845-469-2231 x 3304 Fax: 845-469-5831 Cell: 845-591-5056

School Enrollments

Class AA 950 & up	Class A 550-949	Class B 325-549	Class C 193-324	Class D 192 & below
FDR	Cornwall	John S. Burke	Chapel Field*	Coleman
Kingston	Goshen	Ellenville	Chester	Eldred
Middletown	Monticello	Fallsburg	Millbrook	Family School
Minisink Valley	New Paltz	Highland	Rhinebeck	Livingston Manor
Monroe Woodbury	Port Jervis	Liberty	Tri-Valley	Roscoe
NFA	Red Hook	Marlboro	Tuxedo	S.S. Seward
Pine Bush	Rondout Valley	James I. O'Neill	Webutuck	
Valley Central	Saugerties	Onteora		
Warwick	Wallkill	Pine Plains		
Washingtonville		Spackenkill		
		Sullivan West		

*Chapel Field is Class D in enrollment but will compete in Class C for 2009 & 2010

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

AA WIN AGAINST (POSITIVE) AA LOSS TO (NEGATIVE)

AA	6	6
A	5	7
B	4	8
C	3	9
D	2	10

A WIN AGAINST (POSITIVE) A LOSS TO (NEGATIVE)

AA	7	5
A	6	6
B	5	7
C	4	8
D	3	9

B WIN AGAINST (POSITIVE) B LOSS TO (NEGATIVE)

AA	8	4
A	7	5
B	6	6
C	5	7
D	4	8

C WIN AGAINST (POSITIVE) C LOSS TO (NEGATIVE)

AA	9	3
A	8	4
B	7	5
C	6	6
D	5	7

D WIN AGAINST (POSITIVE) D LOSS TO (NEGATIVE)

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 crossover 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 2009 **softball** season there are five schools that could **potentially** be affected by the modification:

- FDR – AA in a division with all A schools (Type 1)
- New Paltz – A in a division with 67% of division games vs. B (Type 1)
- Red Hook – A in a division with 67% of division games vs. B (Type 1)
- Marlboro – B in a division with 67% of division games vs. A (Type 2)
- Onteora – B in a division with 67% of division games vs. A (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

To determine if a Type 1 school will meet either criteria:

- The number of games against opponents of the same class divided by total number of games played must be $\geq 25\%$.
- The number of non-league games against opponents of the same class divided by total number of non-league games played must be $\geq 50\%$.
- If either criteria is met, the non-division class games* are included in determining the seed.
- If not, the team can not be seeded higher than 5th.

For Type 2 schools - only include the non-division class games* if they improve their points/games number.

*Non-Division Class games include both league/crossover games and non-league games against schools the same class as you.

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 **ALL** 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 vs. opponents of the same class to get the number used to seed.
- a. Division Record _____ Division Points _____
 - b. **Non-Division** Class Record _____ NLC Points _____
(includes both league/crossover games and non-league games)
 - 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-Division** Class Record _____ NLC Points _____
(includes both league/crossover games and non-league games)
 - c. Record used to seed (a+b) _____ Points/Games (a+b) _____

Only include the non-division class games if Points/Games is greater than
Division Points/ Division Games

*A non-league game is one that is not considered mandatory by the league. In the MHAL, crossover games are mandatory. In the OCL only the Division 1 vs. Division 2 games are considered mandatory (they are all AA schools).

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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. Plus points in division _____
- 5. 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 page10 For 2009 that includes FDR(Type1), Marlboro(Type2), New Paltz(Type1), Onteora(Type2), Red Hook(Type1), and Coleman(Type2)

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 # _____

Please fax this completed form and both point cards to Bruce Guyette at 355-5198 by 2:00 PM on Thursday, May 21st, 2009

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School _____ Class _____

Division Point Card

Class																						Division games only!! Exception – OCL Division I & II include their crossover games on this card (All AA schools)	
Date																							
Opponent																							
Game #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	Totals	Net	
Positive Points																							
Negative Points																							

Class	Date	Opponent	Pos. points	Neg. Points
Totals				
Net Totals				

If you qualify for the modified seeding formula enter your non-division games against schools that are in your class in the table on the left.

For 2009 FDR (Type1), Marlboro (Type2), New Paltz (Type1), Onteora (Type2), Red Hook (Type1), and Coleman (Type2) qualify.

NYSPHSAA Championship Programs

Procedure for SUBMITTING ROSTERS

Roster submissions

Here is a review of the instructions:

1. Go to: www.nysphsaa.org and click on “forms” on the top menu.
2. Once you are in “forms”, click on “**Championship Roster Form**”
3. Choose your sport and complete the roster, then click “submit”

NOTE: Before you click on “submit”, print yourself out a copy for your file.

Please have roster forms submitted **when Sectionals are complete.**
They may be submitted over the weekend. Do Not Wait until Regional game.

Procedure for SUBMITTING PICTURES NYSPHSAA Championship Programs

Picture submissions

Again this year we will be using the following e-mail address for Section coordinators/
schools/coaches to send their team photos to for championship programs:

pictures@nysphsaa.org

Coordinators/schools/coaches will receive a confirmation from our office that their picture was received OK. Pictures should **be submitted immediately after Sectionals conclude. Do not wait until after your regional games.**

NOTE: PICTURES will not appear in the championship program if they are not submitted in this manner.

FOR QUESTIONS on championship programs, contact NYSPHSAA Assistant Director, Joe Altieri @ 518-690-0771 or altieri@nysphsaa.org.