To: District II High Schools

From: Mike Ognosky, Tournament Chair

Subject: 2026 Tennis Championships for Girls- Singles, Doubles, and Team

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

District II Tennis Committee:
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TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP- **Wednesday, September 30th (First Round if necessary); Friday, October 2nd (Quarterfinals); Monday, October 5th (Semifinals and Finals).**
First Round on **Wednesday, September 30th (if necessary – only if more than 8 qualify in a classification)**
Quarterfinals on **Friday, October 2nd – at home site of higher seed**
Semifinals and Finals held on **Monday, October 5th**
AAA Semifinals begin at 11:00 AM; AA Semifinals at 12:30 PM
The site for the Team Championship Semifinals & Finals will be at Kirby Park.
First Round (if necessary) & Quarterfinals will be at Higher Seed.

SINGLES- **Thursday, October 8th** (AA - First three rounds 8:30 AM @ Kirby); (AAA – First Day @ North Pocono) – play through Quarterfinals
Semifinals and Finals- **Friday, October 9th** (1 PM @ Kirby)

DOUBLES- **Tuesday, October 13th** (AA - First three rounds 8:30 AM @ Kirby); (AAA – First Day @ North Pocoo, quarterfinals at Kirby Park) – play through Quarterfinals
Semifinals and Finals- **Wednesday, October 14th** (1 PM @ Kirby)

SEEDING MEETING- Singles & Doubles
7 P.M. **Monday, October 5th** @ Dunmore High School

STATE TOURNAMENT DATES: TEAM: **Tuesday, October 27th**

Fri & Sat, Oct. 30th & 31st

SINGLES & DOUBLES: **Fri. & Sat. Nov 6th & Nov 7th**

OPENING ROUND SITES- Kirby Park
TBA
OPENING ROUND TIMES- Warm ups- 8:15 A.M. to 9 A.M.
Coaches Meeting- 8:45 A.M. at Kirby Park

FIRST ROUND MATCHES WILL START PROMPTLY AT 9 A.M.

SEMIFINAL & FINAL SITES- Outdoor- Kirby Park
Indoor- Birchwood Racquet Club
Indoor- Kingston Racquet Club

Schools may submit two singles entrants and two doubles teams. The District singles representative(s) in state competition may not participate in the doubles competition.

Schools who do not sponsor a tennis team may participate in the singles competition only. The fields (AA and AAA) for the singles tournament will include two entrants from each member school plus at-large bids from schools that submit entrants but do not sponsor a team. Packets were sent out to every school in District II so we must see who responds before the pairings can be completed. The fields may also be increased with the addition of at-large individuals to the fields.

In order to establish singles and doubles draw with provisions for proper seeds, return enclosed seeding information form with the names, position on the team if available, current record, names of opponents, scores of matches, of your entries by **Friday, October 2nd**. All coaches are invited to a seeding meeting and formation of singles draw to be held at 7 P.M. on **Monday, October 5th** at Dunmore High School. Doubles seeding and draw to be finalized with the completion of the singles' tournament.

By **Friday, October 2nd** all entry fees ($8.00 for each participant) must be sent with registration form to the tournament co-chair.

Send registration form and seeding form to:

Mike Ognosky – mognosky12@gmail.com
544 School Road
New Milford, PA 18834
(607) 237-9263 cell

- **Make checks payable to: District II PIAA.**
- **Each participant is to bring a new can of approved USTA tennis balls.**
- **Medals will be awarded to the first through third place finishers.**
- **PLEASE INFORM COMMITTEE PRIOR TO FINALS IF ADDITIONAL MEDALS ARE NEEDED**

IMPORTANT NOTES

1. If no seeding sheet is submitted for either singles or doubles, no seed will be given.

2. Teams and team members are to report immediately to the court assigned.

3. **Coaches are needed to clean the courts at Kirby Park. Please report at 8:00 A.M. and bring a broom or leaf blower so that the matches can begin promptly at 9:00 A.M.**

4. All participants must be accompanied by a school representative or appointed coach.

5. After participants are eliminated from the tournament, they are expected to return to their respective schools.

6. Every participant is to be dressed in their proper school uniform. According to the P.I.A.A. all contestants are required to wear the appropriate tennis attire (i.e. school issued tennis shirt and shorts or skirt). No exceptions are permitted. T-shirts without school name/nickname, altered apparel, jewelry, jeans and advertisements (other than one visible logo/trademark not exceeding 2 ¼ square inches and 2 ¼ inches in any dimension on cap, headband, visor, school issued tennis shirt, and shorts or skirt; and/or a school's name/nickname will not be permitted. The use of tape for the purpose of covering a logo that does not meet the aforementioned specifications will not be permitted. The school's name/nickname and/or the school's logo are permitted on the front and/or back of the school issued tennis shirt. Shoes with soles that leave discolored markings on the competition surface are prohibited.

7. **In case of inclement weather: All postponement information will appear on the District II website immediately at www.piaad2.org – information should be posted no later than 6 a.m.**

8. **We will be utilizing the PIAA "Coaching on the Fly" guidelines for all plaly in Team, Singles, and Doubles play. Athletic Directors have previously received those guidelines and they are available on the PIAA State website as well.**

PIAA DISTRICT II TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS
TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Schools may submit two singles entrants and two doubles teams. Schools, which do not sponsor a tennis team, may participate in the singles tournament only. The District singles representative(s) in the State Tournament may not participate in the doubles event.

2. Each participant is to bring a new can of approved USTA tennis balls.

3. Players are required to begin play after a ten (10) minute warm up period.

4. All matches will consist of best of three (3) sets. Players may leave the court area for five (5) minutes if they split sets.

5. A twelve (12) point tiebreaker will be used if set scores go to six-all in games.

6. There will be no ad until the semifinal and final matches. Ad will be used in all matches in which a state berth will be at stake.

7. A 'chair' may be used in the semifinals and finals. **Players will continue to call their match. The 'chair' will only serve to break disputes.**

8. Contestants should check with the Tournament Directors for the scheduled starting time of their matches. Any player failing to report for a match on time may be eliminated from the tournament.

9. All players are expected to call their matches without incident. If a problem develops, a request for help should be made to the tournament directors by the contestants.

10. Although this tournament is not sponsored by the USTA, USTA rules will govern all play. During the PIAA tennis championships, the USTA point penalty system will be followed. The purpose of this system is to deter, not punish, unsportsmanlike conduct…. including tardiness.

USTA POINT PENALTY SYSTEM
(PIAA MODIFIED)

DELAY OF GAME

For violations of delay of game:
(a) At change over or other times, stalling, prolonging argument over decision, injury time out.
(b) Failure to start play after expiration of established warm up period of ten (10) minutes.

PENALTY: first offense, warning; second offense, one point; third offense, one game; fourth offense, default.

UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT

(a) Profane or obscene language or gestures, when not directed at a person or persons: first offense, warning; second offense, one point; third offense, one game; fourth offense, default.

When directed at an official, opponent, or spectator(s):
First offense, one point; second offense, one game; third offense, default

(b) Abuse of racket, balls, equipment: such as hitting or kicking ball out of court; first offense, warning; second offense, one point; third offense, one game; fourth offense, default.

(c) Major unsportsmanlike acts, such as hitting a ball at or near an official, ball boy, linesman, or spectator(s), or intentional racquet dropping to disconcert an opponent: first offense, two points; second offense, one game; third offense, default.

TARDINESS

A player will be penalized one game for each five minutes or fraction thereof, of tardiness from the time the match is called and both court and opponent are ready; this does not rule out liability to outright default of fifteen (15) minutes of unexcused lateness beyond the set deadline.

District II PIAA Girls' Tennis Championships
SINGLES & DOUBLES

REGISTRATION FORM:

Name of School: _____

Address: _____

Town/Zip Code: _____

Coach's Name: _____

Phone Numbers: _____
Coach: List home, work, and cell phone numbers in case of inclement weather

*Cost is $8.00 for each participant

		PIAA ENTRY FEE	SCHOOL FEE
SINGLES ENTRÉE:	1. _____ (Last Name, First Name, Grade)	$9.00	_____
	2. _____ (Last Name, First Name, Grade)	$9.00	_____
DOUBLES TEAM:	1. _____ (Last Name, First Name, Grade)	$9.00	_____
	_____ (Last Name, First Name, Grade)	$9.00	_____
	2. _____ (Last Name, First Name, Grade)	$9.00	_____
	_____ (Last Name, First Name, Grade)	$9.00	_____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

Make check payable to PIAA DISTRICT II

_____ _____
(Date) Signature of School Official)

Return to: Mike Ognosky – mognosky12@gmail.com
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Information must be received no later than Friday, October 2nd

District II PIAA Girls' Tennis Championships
SINGLES & DOUBLES

SEEDING FORM

If you have a participant for the 2026 District II PIAA Tennis Championships for Girls whom you feel should be given recognition for seeding for the tournament, please fill out the information below:

NAME OF PLAYER _____
(Last Name, First Name, Grade)

NAME OF SCHOOL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TOWN / ZIP CODE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

COACH'S NAME: _____

POSITION ON TEAM _____ CURRENT RECORD _____
(W-L)

LEAGUE PLAY:

(Name of player)	vs.	(Opponent)	(School)	(Score)
	vs.			
	vs.			
	vs.			
	vs.			
	vs.			
	vs.			
	vs.			
	vs.			
	vs.			

SPECIAL AWARDS OR RANKING: _____
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COMMENTS: _____
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This form may be duplicated in order to submit the appropriate number of seeds requested. If no form is submitted, no seed will be given.

In the process of submitting names and seeding sheets for doubles, please do so with the intent that your player will not win the singles tournament. That way, accurate seeds can be given. If your player does win the singles tournament, only then will we make an adjustment to your doubles team.

INFORMATION ON TEAM TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The team tournament will begin on **Wednesday, September 30th (if necessary); and, Friday, October 2nd (Quarterfinal Round)** with all of those matches at the higher seed. In accordance with the District II move to the Power Rating System for team playoff championships, the TOP 8 power ranked teams in each classification will participate in the team tournament regardless of league affiliation. Champions will not receive special seeding privileges and will be ranked based ONLY on their power rating. In addition, any other team in a classification that finishes with a .500 overall winning percentage and finishes outside of the top 8 in power rating will also qualify for the tournament – so there is a potential for more than 8 teams to qualify in a bracket.

Both semifinals and finals will be held at Kirby Park on **Monday, October 5th**. The AAA Semifinals will begin at 11 A. M., the AA Semifinals at 12:30 P.M. The AAA Finals will begin immediately following the AA Semifinals and the AA Finals will begin 45 minutes after the completion of the AA Semifinals. When the pairings and sites have been determined, your athletic director will be notified if your team has qualified. **District II will supply the match balls for the semifinals and finals. The host team will supply the match balls for the quarterfinals**. You can follow the tennis results and standings on the District II webpage (www.piaad2.org) throughout the season.

PIAA DISTRICT II