

VISAA Field Hockey Coaches and Athletic Directors,

We hope you are having a great fall as the season winds down! The following is pertinent information for the VISAA Tournament as well as All-State Selections. It's a lot so we have used bullet points as much as possible.

Tournament Dates/Sites:

- Tues. Nov. 8 at Higher Seed suggested start time in case of OT- 3:00pm and preferably no later than 3:15pm
- Thurs. Nov. 10 at Higher Seed -suggested start time 3:00pm
- Sat. Nov. 12 at St. Catherine's in Richmond (6001 Grove Ave. 23226)
 - o DII at 11:30am
 - o DI at 2:00pm

Rules

- National Federation of State High Schools (NFHS) 2022 Field Hockey Rules Book
- Overtime Rules

Inclement Weather Policy/Procedures

- The VISAA Thunder and Lightning Policy requires that when thunder or flashes of lightning are
 observed, all participants are to seek shelter and safety within a proper shelter. No contest shall be
 continued until 30 minutes of clear weather occurs.
- If games may not occur due to dangerous weather or field conditions, the game will be played the next day. If the game may not be played due to conditions, the higher seed will advance. Schools may seek alternative regulation hockey fields in their area or play at the lower seeded field.
- In case Championship games are delayed on Sat., Nov 12, schools involved will decide (on Nov. 12) on a mutually agreeable make-up date/time.

Seeding

- The state FH committee will meet on Sat. Nov. 5 to select the top 8 teams in both the DI and DII
 divisions. An email will be sent to the selected teams later that same day and the brackets will be
 posted on the VISAA website
- The Committee makes every effort to thoroughly evaluate and make appropriate selections, and we will consider the following criteria (**listed in NO particular order**):
 - Strength of Schedule
 - Head to Head competition
 - Appearance in top 8 in the poll during the season
 - Performance against ranked teams
 - League/tournament/end of season performance

Host Schools

- Responsible for scheduling and securing officials for the first and second round games
- Responsible for absorbing all expenses involved in hosting the Quarter-finals and Semi-final games
 of the VISAA event (VISAA will reimburse costs for officials of ONLY the Semi-final contests)
- Must charge admission to the event, promote Ticket Spicket to purchase tickets and send attached reporting form and any monies collected to the VISAA

Ticket Prices

- TICKET SPICKET Under "Quick Links" on the front of the VISAA Website
- Quarter-final games \$5 (\$20 for family)
- Semi-final and Championship games \$10 (\$30 for family)

Reminders

• If you have a player(s) to nominate for All-State, please fill out the form sent to you and return it to Mary Blake (mblake@stab.org) by November 5

General Information

- VISAA Financial form for Host School
- Overtime Rules
- TOURNAMENT SHIRTS There is a "Shop" button on the navigation bar on the front of the VISAA Website for the MSP Design Group VISAA shop for championship apparel. Apparel will also be sold at the championship sites.
- **HOTELS** Under "Quick Links" on the front of the <u>VISAA Website</u> there is a link to a flyer of hotels in the Richmond area.

Please let Michelle or Eyal know if you have any questions or concerns!

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