



AD's and Coaches VISAA Spring Girls Soccer Information

On behalf of the VISAA and the girl's state soccer committee I welcome you all to what I believe will be another very exciting spring for girl's independent school soccer in Virginia. As in previous years, for the 2022 state playoffs, schools will be divided into two divisions, with 125 (girls grades 9-12) being the divisional divider. This being the second year of the two-year cycle, schools will participate in the same division this spring as in the spring of 2021. A school new to VISAA will play in the appropriate division based on the enrollment numbers submitted September 2020 unless they elect to "play up" for the remainder of the two-year cycle.

We are excited to announce that the state semifinals and championship games will be held at Glover Park in Henrico County this year. The Division II playoffs will include 12 member schools participating in the tournament. First round games will be played on Tuesday, May 17th with the top four seeds earning a bye. Winners of the contests held between the 5th through the 12th seed will play on Wednesday, May 18th. Division I teams will begin quarterfinal play on Tuesday, May 17th.

There will be separate polls, tournaments, and All-State awards for the two divisions. The soccer committee, with representatives from each region of the

state, will publish polls listing the 10 highest ranked schools in Division I and the top 15 schools in Division II. Polls will appear on April 4th, April 11th, 25th and May 2nd. The selection committee will meet on Saturday, 5/14 or Sunday 5/15. State tournament dates are Tuesday, May 17th (quarterfinals Division I and opening round Division II); Wednesday, May 18th Division 2 quarterfinals, Friday, May 20th semifinals and Saturday, May 21st championship. Quarterfinals are held at the higher seed at 5:00 unless both schools agree on a different game time. The semifinals and finals are played at Glover Park, 11217 Greenwood Road, Glen Allen, VA 23059. Semifinals will be played at 4:00 (DII) & 6:00 p.m. (DI) on Friday. Championships will be played at 4:00 (Division II) & 6:00 p.m. (Division I) on Saturday.

Schools aspiring to be included in the polls and make the state tournament should ensure that no conflicting events at your school prevent your team from playing on those dates (prom, graduation, etc). Schools unable to participate in the state tournament should notify the committee before the first poll of the season. Schools not participating in the polling and state tournament may still nominate student athletes for all-state consideration. For consideration in the polls, schools must email their scores to their soccer committee representative by Saturday of each week. There is a spreadsheet attached where each school can find contact information for their respective reps. As an alternative to email, schools can agree with their rep that they will post game scores on MaxPreps.com. All of our committee members are volunteers and are teachers/administrators at their respective schools. They cannot take the time to track down your school's scores. Please be respectful of their time and report scores on time.

Please be cognizant of the VISAA transfer rule, which requires all players to be enrolled as full-time students working toward graduation in your school 30 days prior to the state quarterfinals to be eligible to play in the state tournament. For this year, that date for girls' soccer is Thursday, April 21 2022.

Currently VISAA is not requiring Covid guidelines for spring sports. However, individual schools may require some protocols for visiting teams on their campus.

Please use the game day contract to communicate with host schools to make sure everyone is aware of any specific issues that may occur.

Our committee is looking forward to another exciting spring of soccer for the independent schools in Virginia.

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