

**To:** Invited Schools  
**From:** Jim Pokrivsak, Director of Athletics  
**Subject:** 2016 - 17 Easton Wrestling Invitational (Varsity, Junior High)  
**Date:** April 4, 2016 (Mailing #1)

I am writing to organize a tentative list of interested schools for the Friday, December 30, 2016 annual Easton Wrestling Invitational. Please inform me of your intentions immediately.

NOTE: We are organizing a three-competition point event (\$350.00/team) that will net five competitions in a Varsity Pool Tournament format.

If opens mats remain, we will pair teams for dual matches and count as one point for each dual match the team wrestles (per PIAA guidelines). This will be for teams NOT wrestling in the Varsity Pool Tournament.

**All P.I.A.A. policies/procedures must be followed by all attending schools (non-Pennsylvania schools must complete the attached “Supplement to Contract for Contests Involving Non-Member Schools” prior to participating in the event).**

We will be hosting the event again at our 3000+ seat gymnasium (5 mats/session) located at the current Easton Area Middle School Campus within our school district. If necessary, we will open our smaller gym (2 mats/session) to accommodate all teams involved. I need to know how many competitions you want scheduled to organize tentative pairings.

We are also beginning to organize our **JUNIOR HIGH Wrestling Invitational**. We will invite quality teams and create competitive dual matches. The Junior High matches will be wrestled simultaneously with the Varsity matches on various mats throughout the two gyms on Friday, December 30, 2016.

Future correspondence will include information such as session times, ticket prices, and locker room assignments. **We anticipate a \$100.00 entrance fee charged for each dual match a team wrestles (Varsity, Junior High) and a \$350.00 entrance fee for the Varsity Pool Tournament portion of the event.** This will help defray the cost of officials, athletic training coverage and a hospitality room for coaches. Do not send payment now. I will notify you later this year once the schedules are set.

**Please let me know if you need assistance in lodging for your team, parents, spectators, etc. I have had contact with local hotels to get you the best room prices possible.**

**RETURN THIS FORM (write or type clearly)**

School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Athletic Director \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Coach \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Check here \_\_\_\_\_ if your school is **NOT** interested in attending the 2016-17 Invitational.

**VARSIITY:**

**Requesting to enter the TEAM POOL TOURNAMENT EVENT ( yes or no ). Circle one.**

**VARSIITY:**

Requesting \_\_\_\_\_ **Dual Meet Competitions** versus \_\_\_\_\_ level of competition (#3 level being toughest).  
(number) (number) (#1 level being easiest).

**JUNIOR VARSITY:**

Requesting \_\_\_\_\_ **Dual Meet Competitions**.

**JUNIOR HIGH:**

Requesting \_\_\_\_\_ **Dual Meet Competitions** versus \_\_\_\_\_ level of competition (#3 level being toughest).  
(number) (number) (#1 level being easiest).

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Easton, PA 18045

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**PIAA SUPPLEMENT TO CONTRACT FOR CONTESTS INVOLVING NON-MEMBER SCHOOLS (PENNSYLVANIA INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION, INC. [PIAA] OFFICIAL FORM)**

(Revised July 1, 2009)

The purpose of this Supplement to Contract is to ensure compliance with ARTICLE XII, ATHLETIC RELATIONS, Section 1, Teams Which Member Schools May Play, subsection A, of the PIAA By-Laws, which provides that no Inter-School Practice, Scrimmage, or Contest may be played with a Team not sponsored and controlled by a public school or Private School nor any school not belonging to PIAA, unless the non- PIAA member school's eligibility rules for school, Team, and contestants, meet the requirements of PIAA. (NOTE: This includes PIAA-adopted Contest rules for each sport.)

Pursuant thereto, this Supplement to Contract is made in duplicate this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_, between \_\_\_\_\_ School, a PIAA member school in \_\_\_\_\_ good standing, and \_\_\_\_\_ School, a non-PIAA member school.

A. This Supplement to Contract supplements and is a part of the Contract for Contests Under PIAA Rules entered into between the above- identified schools and relates to the following Contests:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ shall be contested at

(JUNIOR HIGH/JUNIOR VARSITY/VARSITY) (NAME OF SPORT) (LOCATION OR SITE)

A.M. beginning at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M. on \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_, with the following guarantee:

(TIME) (DAY) (DATE) (MONTH) (YEAR)

2. \_\_\_\_\_ shall be contested at

(JUNIOR HIGH/JUNIOR VARSITY/VARSITY) (NAME OF SPORT) (LOCATION OR SITE)

A.M. beginning at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M. on \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_, with the following guarantee:

(TIME) (DAY) (DATE) (MONTH) (YEAR)

3. \_\_\_\_\_ shall be contested at

(JUNIOR HIGH/JUNIOR VARSITY/VARSITY) (NAME OF SPORT) (LOCATION OR SITE)

A.M. beginning at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M. on \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_, with the following guarantee:

(TIME) (DAY) (DATE) (MONTH) (YEAR)

4. \_\_\_\_\_ shall be contested at

(JUNIOR HIGH/JUNIOR VARSITY/VARSITY) (NAME OF SPORT) (LOCATION OR SITE)

A.M. beginning at \_\_\_\_\_ P.M. on \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_, with the following guarantee:

(TIME) (DAY) (DATE) (MONTH) (YEAR)

B. The non-PIAA member school hereby agrees that each of its students who participate in the Contest(s) identified above will be in compliance with all PIAA eligibility rules at the time of the Contest(s).

Signature of PIAA Member School's Principal or Athletic Director \_\_\_\_\_ Date

Name of PIAA Member School \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Nos: School ( ) Mobile ( ) Mailing

Address PIAA Member School

(STREET, P.O. BOX, ETC.)

(CITY) (COUNTY)

(STATE)

(ZIP CODE)

Signature of Non-PIAA Member School's Principal or Athletic Director \_\_\_\_\_ Date

Name of Non-PIAA Member School \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Nos: School ( ) Mobile ( ) Mailing

Address Non-PIAA Member School

(STREET, P.O. BOX, ETC.)

(CITY) (COUNTY)

(STATE)

(ZIP CODE)

**NOTE: Make all Supplement to Contract for Contests Involving Non-Member Schools in duplicate. Retain signed original for the school's files.**  
(please turn page over)

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The following highlights and summarizes the major eligibility rules of PIAA at the date of revision of this form. This list does not contain every rule or every detail and is offered only as a summary. A complete set of the eligibility provisions can be found on the PIAA Web site at [www.piaa.org/resources/handbook](http://www.piaa.org/resources/handbook). Additionally, the PIAA-member school is responsible for compliance with ARTICLE XII, ATHLETIC RELATIONS, Section 1, Teams Which Member Schools May Play, subsection A, of the PIAA By-Laws, and the non-PIAA member school is responsible for adherence to its agreement that its contestants will comply with all PIAA eligibility rules.

## **SUMMARY OF MAJOR PIAA ELIGIBILITY RULES**

### **AGE**

To be eligible, a student must not have reached his or her 19<sup>th</sup> birthday by June 30 immediately preceding the applicable school year.

### **AMATEUR STATUS AND AWARDS**

To be eligible to participate in a sport, a student must be an amateur in that sport. A student loses amateur status in a sport if the student, or the student's parent(s) or guardian(s), receives money or property for or related to the student's athletic ability, participation, performance, services, or training in a sport.

A student may accept awards from the student's school or the student's school-affiliated booster club, the sponsor of an athletic event, a non-profit service organization approved by the student's school Principal, or the news media. Permissible awards are items of apparel, a blanket, watch, ring, scroll, carry-on or warm-up bag, photograph, medal, plaque, or similar award, with appropriate institutional insignia or comparable identification. The fair market value of items provided to any such student may not exceed \$200.

### **ATTENDANCE**

1. A student must be regularly enrolled in a school and in full-time attendance thereafter. 2. A student is eligible only at the school at which the student is enrolled. Exceptions exist for home-schooled students and students enrolled in Charter Schools or Cyber Charter Schools. 3. If a student is absent from school during a semester for a total of 20 or more school days, the student loses eligibility until that student has been in attendance for a total of 45 school days following that student's 20<sup>th</sup> day of absence.

### **CONSENT OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN**

A student is eligible only if there is on file with the Principal of the student's school a certificate signed by the student's parent or guardian consenting to that student's participation in Practices, Inter-School Practices, Scrimmages, and/or Contests in the particular sport involved.

### **PREPARTICIPATION PHYSICAL EVALUATION**

A student is eligible only if the student has participated in a pre-participation physical evaluation performed by an Authorized Medical Examiner (as that term is defined in the GLOSSARY of the PIAA By-Laws), before the student's first sports season's first Practice of that school year.

Before participating in the first Practice of each subsequent sport season of the same school year, the student may be required to be re-evaluated and re-certified that the student's physical condition is satisfactory. Check the specific By-Laws to determine whether re-evaluation and re-certification are required.

Wrestlers must also obtain from the Authorized Medical Examiner, prior to each wrestler's first Practice, a certification of the minimum wrestling weight at which the student may wrestle.

In all cases, the Authorized Medical Examiner must certify as to the physical fitness of the student to participate. Execution of another state high school association's form, which is comparable to the appropriate PIAA form, is acceptable for Contests with out-of-state schools.

### **TRANSFERS**

A student is treated as having transferred whenever the student changes schools, even if the student is promoted to a higher level school or is out-of-school for a period of time before entering the new school.

If the student's transfer from one school to another is materially motivated in some way by an athletic purpose, the student loses athletic eligibility in each sport in which that student participated within a period of one year immediately preceding the date of that student's transfer.

### **PERIOD OF TIME AFTER EIGHTH GRADE, PARTICIPATION, AND GRADE REPETITION**

A student loses eligibility when the student has: 1. Reached the end of the student's fourth consecutive year beyond the eighth grade.

If the student repeats a grade after eighth, the student

will be ineligible as a senior. 2. Played six seasons beyond the sixth grade or four seasons beyond the eighth grade in any sport.

3. Completed the work of grades 9-12, inclusive.

### **ACADEMIC AND CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS**

1. A student must pursue a curriculum defined and approved by the student's Principal as a full-time curriculum. 2. A student must be passing at least four full-credit subjects or the equivalent as of each Friday during a grading period. A student who fails to meet this requirement loses eligibility from the following Sunday through the Saturday immediately following the next Friday as of which the student meets this requirement. 3. A student must have passed at least four full-credit subjects or the equivalent during the previous grading period, except that eligibility for the first grading period shall be based on the student's final credits for the preceding school year. A student who fails to meet this requirement loses eligibility for at least 10 or 15 days of the next grading period, beginning on the first day that report cards are issued. If the student's school has four grading periods, the student will be ineligible for at least 15 school days; if the student's school has six grading periods, the student will be ineligible for at least 10 school days.

### **ALL-STAR CONTESTS**

A student loses eligibility in a sport for one year if the student participates in an all-star Contest in that sport.

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