



I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. The Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association is the official governing body for the Lacrosse tournament. Plans for the tournament were formulated by the State Lacrosse Committees and approved by the Board of Control.
- B. Schools choosing to enter the tournament have the responsibility for reading and adhering to the rules and regulations stated in the front section of this publication as well as those appearing within this Lacrosse Bulletin.
- C. *Eligibility rules for all participants are defined* in MPSSAA Bylaw .02, found in the current Handbook.
- D. *General regulations for all state tournaments* are contained in MPSSAA Bylaw .07, found in both the current Handbook and in the front section of this publication.

II. REGION AND STATE TOURNAMENTS

- A. Tournament Organization
 - 1. Every school is automatically entered into the region tournament *unless* the MPSSAA office receives written notification to the contrary. Request for withdrawal shall be by letter, signed by the school principal.
 - 2. NO ENTRIES ARE TO BE SENT UNTIL THE QUARTERFINALS ARE OVER.
 - a. ONLY TEAMS THAT WIN REGION QUARTERFINALS ARE TO SUBMIT ONLINE ENTRIES. Entries must be received in the MPSSAA office by 4 p.m. Monday, May 17.
 - b. The mailed photo must be postmarked no later than May 17.
 - c. THE ONLINE ENTRY METHOD MUST BE USED. *The complete directions for submitting rosters and photos will be found on pages 6-7 in Section I of this publication.*
 - 3. Each region will conduct a 16-line single elimination tournament, with the champion advancing to state play.
 - 4. Games postponed during the regular season must be played or made up in order of the regular season schedule on the first available playing date for both schools.

2010 LACROSSE TIME LINE		
	REGION TOURNAMENT	STATE TOURNAMENT
Mar 22....First play date		
May 10....Draw for tournament bracket positions	May 13First Round	May 21, 22Semifinals
May 12 ..Last play date	May 15Quarterfinals	May 25, 26Finals
May 17 ..Application deadline for tournament qualifiers	May 17Semifinals	Jun 20Reimbursement request due
	May 19Finals	

5. All suspended tournament games shall be continued from the point of suspension unless declared complete by a mutual agreement between the two schools involved.

B. Playing Rules

1. Boys shall use the current National Federation rules.
2. Girls shall use the current rules from U.S. Lacrosse, endorsed by the National Federation, with the following rules modifications and points of emphasis:
 - a. State tournament games will use the U.S. Lacrosse tiebreaker rule.
 - b. All players must wear clear unreflective protective eyewear which meets ASTM standards.
3. The National Federation mark must appear on all lacrosse balls used in the tournament.
4. **MPSSAA-certified officials will be assigned for each contest. It is mandatory that only two officials will be used for the first three regional rounds. Three officials will be used for regional final and state contests.**

III. REGION TOURNAMENT

A. Tournament Organization

1. Responsibilities of region director
 - a. Notify schools as to their bracket position, site of upcoming contest, and starting time.
 - b. Schedule the local officials board that services the designated home team, plus qualified scorers and timers. This may be done in consultation with the local supervisor of athletics.
 - c. Inform the state committee director and MPSSAA of the schedule established for competition.
2. A draw for bracket positions will take place May 10 in the MPSSAA office via conference call with the tournament chairs. Tournament pairings will be posted on MPSSAA's web site <mpssaa.org>.
 - a. A team must have played a minimum of nine games to be eligible for the region tournament.
 - b. Region directors will verify and submit the official regular season win-loss records of all region teams to the state chair by 9 p.m. Saturday, May 8.
 - c. The top four teams in each region will be seeded 1-4 as determined by regular season winning percentage, excluding the one additional holiday tournament and any city, county, or conference championship. Ties among the top four teams in a region will be first broken by head-to-head competition to determine the higher seed. This applies if all tied teams meet the criteria. If head-to-head does not break the tie, a coin toss will be used.
 - d. The remaining teams in each region will be placed on the bracket by a blind draw.
 - e. The higher-placed team is defined as one who occupies the lower-numbered line position, (the favored position), on the bracket in any given round.
3. Unless a specific alternative plan has been approved, ALL REGION GAMES WILL BE PLAYED AT THE SITE OF THE HIGHER SEED throughout the tournament.
4. The MPSSAA executive director may grant permission for region games to be scheduled at a site other than that of the higher-placed team. This may be done upon the written request of the region director, with the approval by a two-thirds representative vote of the athletic supervisors of schools in that region. Each athletic supervisor's vote will be weighed proportionally to the number of schools he or she represents in that region. This request must be received prior to **APRIL 10**.

5. Doubleheaders will be played in all rounds when the boys and girls draw permits.
 - a. The home team's athletic director, in consultation with the local supervisor of athletics, will decide which team plays the first game.
 - b. EXCEPTION: In the event of rain, girls will play the first game because of the problems of excess damage to the crease area.
6. School day games shall not start earlier than 3:45 p.m. Upon the approval of the executive director, adjustments in starting times may be made to accommodate doubleheaders.
7. Coaches of participating teams must report scores to the region director immediately following the game.
8. If circumstances render a home site unplayable, the region director shall designate another site upon consultation with the local supervisor(s) of athletics. The designated home team will remain unchanged.

9. Guidelines for Regional Games & Prom Dates

- a. **One team has Prom on Friday Night**
- Game should be scheduled no earlier than 2PM on Saturday
- b. **One team has Prom on Saturday Night**
- Game should be scheduled at 10 AM if traveling team is one with prom
- If home team has prom, schedule no later than 12 Noon but as early as 10AM.
- c. **One team has prom Friday night; other team Saturday night**
- Game should be scheduled at 12 Noon.

10. The region alignment for lacrosse appears on page 22.

B. General Policies

1. Individuals 7 years of age and older will be charged an admission of \$5.
2. A plaque and 35 individual certificates will be presented to the region champion.
3. Region champions will complete the media information form found on the lacrosse pages of mpssaa.org and bring 40 copies to the state tournament.
4. Local MPSSAA districts will collect all revenue and pay all expenses. Site directors shall pay officials and required workers. When funds are not available, fees should be referred to the host district.

IV. STATE TOURNAMENT

A. Tournament Organization

1. The MPSSAA will sponsor, conduct, and underwrite the tournament and will be responsible for expenses involving transportation, officials, and awards.
2. **2010 semifinal pairings:** East (#1) vs. North (#4) and West (#2) vs. South (#3).
3. Semifinal games will be played Friday, May 21 (two games) and Saturday, May 22 (two games).
 - a. Arundel High School will host 4A-3A and Annapolis High School will host 3A-2A. The 2A-1A semifinals will be held at Broadneck High School.
 - b. Individuals 7 years of age and older will be charged an admission of \$6 to semifinal contests.

4. Final games: UMBC, Catonsville, May 25/26 – 4 p.m., 6 p.m., and 8 p.m.
5. **Directions to UMBC from South & East:** Exit 47 from I-95 toward Catonsville. Watch for the ramp directly onto UMBC campus. **From West & North:** Exit 12 from I-695 (Baltimore Beltway); west on Wilkens Ave. for 1/4 mile; left onto campus.
6. Individuals 7 years of age and older will be charged an admission of \$8 to final contests.
7. Teams should arrive at the site dressed for participation. Team locker rooms will be available prior to the game and at halftime. All team items should be removed at that time.
8. The home team will sit on the left bench, when facing the scoring table, and the visiting team will sit on the right bench. Spectators will sit in the stands opposite their team bench.
9. Schools involved in the state semifinals or finals may not practice on the UMBC field at any time prior to the game.

B. General Policies

1. All schools are considered ‘guests’ while participating in the state semifinals and finals. The MPSSAA Lacrosse Committee, for the purpose of crowd control, request a minimum of three school staff members to be present. These members shall be present, visible and assist the site security to detect and correct any unsafe or unruly behavior by their spectators.
2. No outside containers will be allowed to be brought in to the state semifinal or final games. Concessions at those locations will be available. All team beverages shall be brought in with the coach and team at their time of arrival.
3. Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the tournament. The championship team and the finalist team will each be awarded a team plaque and individual plaques (maximum 35 per team). All team members are expected to participate in the awards presentation.
4. The State Lacrosse Committee will recognize the school of one boys’ team and the one girls’ team which displays the best overall sportsmanship while participating in its respective tournament. Judges throughout the stadium will observe and rate the sportsmanship of the players on the field, bench personnel, coaches, and spectators. Immediately following the last game of the respective tournament, the award will be presented to the principal and head coach of the school achieving the highest average score.

C. Officials

The MPSSAA will arrange for three certified officials to be assigned to each semifinal and final game.

PROJECTED MPSSAA LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIP DATES	
2011 - May 24-25	2012 - May 22-23
2012 - May 21-22	

2010 BOY'S LACROSSE REGION TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

Region	Director	School	Phone	Fax	Home
4A-3A West	Colin Thomson	Lakewood Elem. (Wootton)	301-279-8465	301-279-8596	240-876-0905
4A-3A North	John Piper	Manchester Valley	410-386-1673	410-386-1674	410-239-9636
4A-3A South	John Cooper	Parkville	410-887-5430	410-887-5430	410-887-3451
4A-3A East	Clay White	Broadneck	410-703-5458	410-437-5233	410-437-5233
3A-2A West	Bradley Gray	Tuscarora	410-236-6465	410-236-5996	240-236-6495
3A-2A North	Todd Hawkins	Lansdowne	410-887-1424	410-887-1424	410-933-1714
3A-2A South	Josh Hatmaker	Glenelg	410-313-5539	410-313-5540	410-446-7775
3A-2A East	Michael Boyle	Chopticon	301-475-0215	301-475-0222	301-481-4561
2A-1A West	Joe Dietrich	Smithsburg	301-766-8337	301-824-2617	301-824-6427
2A-1A North	John Baker	Chesapeake-B	410-396-0456	410-682-3426	410-426-5042
2A-1A South	Wayne Jackson	Carver Vo-Tech	410-396-0564	410-243-0669	410-963-5209
2A-1A East	Dennis Keenan	Easton	410-822-4180	410-819-5814	410-770-9323

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District 1	John Piper	Manchester Valley	410-386-1673	410-386-1674	443-239-9636
District 2	Colin Thomson	Lakewood Elem. (Wootton)	301-279-8465	301-279-8596	240-876-0905
District 4	Michael Boyle	Chopticon	301-475-0215	301-475-0222	301-481-4561
District 5	Josh Hatmaker	Glenelg	410-313-5539	410-313-5540	410-446-7775
	Kevin Necessary	Arundel	410-672-4910	410-674-4477	443-848-7381
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District 7	Andrew Gerard	C. M. Wright	410-638-4110	410-638-4114	410-688-7429
District 8	Dennis Keenan	Easton	410-822-4180	410-819-5814	410-770-9323
District 9	Wayne Jackson	Carver Vo-Tech	410-396-0564	410-243-0669	410-963-5209

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Email addresses for committee members and regional directors can be found on the boy's lacrosse page of mpssaa.org.

2010 GIRL'S LACROSSE REGION TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

Region	Director	School	Phone	Fax	Home
4A-3A West	Mary Pat Veihmeyer	Carderock Spgs ES	301-469-1034	301-469-1115	301-365-8937
4A-3A North	Mary Pat Veihmeyer	Carderock Spgs ES	301-469-1034	301-469-1115	301-365-8937
4A-3A South	Jennifer High	Perry Hall	410-887-5108	410-887-5116	443-799-4571
4A-3A East	Dave Gehrdes	Annapolis	410-224-8362	410-224-8362	410-280-2523
3A-2A West	Courtney Vaughn	Winters Mill	410-386-1500	410-386-1513	410-596-5837
3A-2A North	Josh Headley	Polytechnic	410-396-7023	410-396-7023	410-591-4589
3A-2A South	Ginger Kincaid	Glenelg	410-313-5528	410-313-5540	410-549-1280
3A-2A East	Becky Gregory	J.M.Bennett	410-677-5141	410-677-5120	410-860-9108
2A-1A West	Kathy Stinefelt	Walkersville	240-236-7281	240-236-7250	301-241-3458
2A-1A North	Milly Wilson		410-598-8531	410-828-1899	410-828-9126
2A-1A South	Kelly Zimmerman	Aberdeen	410-273-5500	410-273-5522	443-910-1076
2A-1A East	Melba Williams		410-598-8532	410-828-1899	410-828-9126

2009-2010 STATE LACROSSE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE-GIRLS

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	Courtney Vaughn	Winters Mill	410-386-1500	410-386-1513	410-596-5837
District 2	Mary Pat Veihmeyer (Whitman)	Carderock Spgs ES	301-469-1034	301-469-1115	301-365-8937
District 4	Mia Finkelston	Great Mills	301-863-4001	301-863-4006	240-925-3889
District 5	Dave Gehrdes	Annapolis	410-224-8362	410-224-8362	410-280-2523
	Ginger Kincaid	Glenelg	410-313-5528	410-313-5540	410-549-1280
District 6	Jennifer High	Perry Hall	410-887-5108	410-887-5116	443-799-4571
District 7	Kelly Zimmerman	Aberdeen	410-273-5500	410-273-5522	443-910-1076
District 8	Becky Gregory	J.M.Bennett	410-677-5141	410-677-5120	410-860-9108
District 9	Josh Headley	Polytechnic	410-396-7023	410-396-7023	410-591-4589

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2010 LACROSSE REGIONS

Class 4A-3A

West		North		South		East	
1. Bethesda-CC	Mtg	1. Westminster	Car	1. Glen Burnie	AA	1. Annapolis	AA
2. Blair	Mtg	2. Linganore	Fre	2. North County	AA	2. Arundel	AA
3. Blake	Mtg	3. Thomas Johnson	Fre	3. Catonsville	B Co	3. Broadneck	AA
4. Churchill	Mtg	4. Urbana	Fre	4. Dulaney	B Co	4. Chesapeake	AA
5. Kennedy	Mtg	5. Clarksburg	Mtg	5. Franklin	B Co	5. Meade	AA
6. Paint Branch	Mtg	6. Gaithersburg	Mtg	6. Kenwood	B Co	6. Old Mill	AA
7. Sherwood	Mtg	7. Magruder	Mtg	7. Parkville	B Co	7. Severna Park	AA
8. Springbrook	Mtg	8. Richard Montgomery	Mtg	8. Perry Hall	B Co	8. South River	AA
9. Walt Whitman	Mtg	9. Northwest	Mtg	9. Woodlawn	B Co	9. Huntingtown	Cal
10. Walter Johnson	Mtg	10. Quince Orchard	Mtg	10. Patterson	Balt	10. Northern (Cal.)	Cal
11. Wootton	Mtg	11. Watkins Mill	Mtg	11. Southwestern (B)	Balt	11. Chopticon	StM
				12. Western (G)	Balt	12. Great Mills	StM
				13. C. Milton Wright	Hfd	13. Leonardtown	StM

Class 3A-2A

West		North		South		East	
1. Century	Car	1. Dundalk	B Co	1. Atholton	How	1. Northeast (AA)	AA
2. Frederick	Fre	2. Eastern Technical	B Co	2. Centennial	How	2. City	Balt
3. Middletown	Fre	3. Hereford	B Co	3. Hammond	How	3. Digital Harbor	Balt
4. Tuscarora	Fre	4. Lansdowne	B Co	4. Howard	How	4. Douglass (B)	Balt
5. Walkersville	Fre	5. Milford Mill Academy	B Co	5. Marriotts Ridge	How	5. Lake Clifton (B)	Balt
6. Damascus	Mtg	6. Overlea	B Co	6. Mt. Hebron	How	6. Mergenthaler (B)	Balt
7. Einstein	Mtg	7. Patapsco	B Co	7. Oakland Mills	How	7. Poly	Balt
8. Northwood	Mtg	8. Towson	B Co	8. Reservoir	How	8. Patuxent	Cal
9. Rockville	Mtg	9. Aberdeen	Hfd	9. River Hill	How	9. Kent Island	Qa
10. Seneca Valley	Mtg	10. Bel Air	Hfd	10. Wilde Lake	How	10. J. M. Bennett	Wic
11. Wheaton	Mtg	11. Fallston	Hfd			11. Parkside	Wic
12. North Hagerstown	Was	12. North Harford	Hfd			12. Wicomico	Wic
13. South Hagerstown	Was					13. Stephen Decatur	Wor

Class 2A-1A

West		North		South		East	
1. Francis Scott Key	Car	1. Carver A&T	B Co	1. Bohemia Manor	Cec	1. Southern (AA)	AA
2. Liberty	Car	2. Chesapeake	B Co	2. Elkton	Cec	2. Calvert	Cal
3. Manchester Valley	Car	3. Loch Raven	B Co	3. North East (Cecil)	Cec	3. North Caroline	Cin
4. North Carroll	Car	4. New Town	B Co	4. Perryville	Cec	4. Cambridge	Dor
5. South Carroll	Car	5. Owings Mills	B Co	5. Rising Sun	Cec	5. Kent	K
6. Winters Mill	Car	6. Pikesville	B Co	6. Edgewood	Hfd	6. Queen Anne's	Qa
7. Brunswick	Fre	7. Randallstown	B Co	7. Harford Tech	Hfd	7. Easton	Tal
8. Catoctin	Fre	8. Sparrows Point	B Co	8. Havre de Grace	Hfd	8. Carver Vo-Tech (B)	Balt
9. Glenelg	How	9. Western STES	B Co	9. Joppatowne	Hfd	9. Dunbar (B)	Balt
10. Long Reach	How			10. Patterson Mill	Hfd	10. Edmondson (B)	Balt
11. Poolesville	Mtg					11. Forest Park (B)	Balt
12. Smithsburg	Was					12. IBE (B)	Balt
						13. Northwestern (B)	Balt
						14. Reginald Lewis (B)	Balt
						15. Southside Acad. (B)	Balt
						16. W.E.B. DuBois (B)	Balt