



Boys' and Girls' State Tournament Lacrosse Committee
Board of Control Report
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2022 State Tournament Appreciation

- The state tournament directors would like to thank members of the boys' and girls' lacrosse state tournament committee, local school athletic directors, and the athletic department staff at Crofton, Havre de Grace, Paint Branch, and Wheaton High Schools for hosting and administering the state semi-final games; including their patience and flexibility with schedule changes.
- In addition, appreciation is expressed to the MPSSAA staff; Andy Warner, Jason Bursick, and Ken Kazmarek for their assistance with ensuring another successful boys' and girls' state lacrosse tournament.
- Special thanks to participating schools for ensuring local school administrators and athletic directors were present, visible, and ready to assist with fan behavior and crowd control.
- Use of Google docs to track results has been the fastest way ever to get results
- A special tribute to Ms. Melba Williams, included the naming of the Melba Williams Sportsmanship Award.

In celebration of 50 Years of Title IX, the MPSSAA Girls' Lacrosse Committee would like to honor our state committee director, Ms. Melba Williams. As a Title IX Trailblazer, Ms. Williams organized the first girls' lacrosse state committee in 1974, with a vision to bring girls lacrosse region and state tournaments to Maryland. In 1990, her vision became reality with the playing of the first ever MPSAAA Girls' Lacrosse State Tournament. She has served as director of the girls' lacrosse state committee since 1995. Ms. Williams will retire her position as state committee director this year; but, will continue to be involved in the continual growth of high school girls' lacrosse. A true Title IX Trailblazer, we thank you Ms. Williams! Enjoy Retirement!

2022 State Champions

Boys – 4A	Girls – 4A
Winston Churchill defeated Broadneck 15-7	Broadneck defeated Bethesda 17-4
Boys – 3A	Girls – 3A
Severna Park defeated Mount Hebron 9-6	Marriott's Ridge defeated Severna Park 11-10
Boys – 2A	Girls – 2A
Kent Island defeated Huntington 11-7	Century defeated Hereford 16-6
Boys – 1A	Girls – 1A
Southern defeated Fallston 14-7	Liberty defeated Fallston 9-4
Sportsmanship Award Winner	Melba Williams Sportsmanship Award Winner
Smithsburg	Sherwood

2023 Region Tournament (Refer to Spring Tournament Bulletin for Prom Guidelines)

- Last Play Date – May 6, 2023, for seeding consideration
- Draw – May 8, 2023
- Last Play Date – May 9, 2023
- Region Game Dates – May 10, 2023 (Qtrs), May 12, 2023 (Semis), and May 15, 2023 (Region Finals)
- State Quarter Finals – May 17, 2023
- Region Finals - three-person officiating crew is to be assigned for region final games

2023 State Semi-Finals

State Semifinal Designated Sites for 2023 include the following high schools (thank you, thank you, thank you):

- 1) Bel Air High School
 - 2) Crofton High School
 - 3) Havre de Grace High School
 - 4) Paint Branch High School
 - 5) Wheaton High School
- A sixth site would be welcome in a southern Maryland county.
 - Five designated semifinal sites are listed, to allow flexibility in scheduling games due to prom and/or weather constraints.
 - Semifinal Playdates - Friday, May 19, 2023 and Saturday, May 20, 2023
 - Assuming there are not prom conflicts, one boy's game and one girl's game will be played each day. If both boys' and girls' teams are playing, a doubleheader should be scheduled. Please refer to the [Spring Tournament Bulletin](#)
 - Prom procedures are outlined in the Spring Tournament Bulletin and will be followed in regard to scheduling Region and State Tournaments games.

2023 State Finals

- Loyola University
 - May 23, 2023
 - May 24, 2023
 - May 25, 2023

2023 USA Lacrosse Convention

The [USA Lacrosse Convention](#) will be held at the Baltimore Convention Center, January 20 -22, 2023.

National Federation of High Schools (NFHS) 2023 Rule Changes

- Boys – View the 2023 Boy's Lacrosse Rules Changes and 2023 Points of Emphasis by going to www.nfhs.org; click on Activities and Sports, then select Lacrosse-boys.
- Girls – View the 2023 Girls' Lacrosse Rules Changes and 2023 Points of Emphasis by going to www.nfhs.org; click on Activities and Sports, then select Lacrosse-girls.
- 2023 Boys' and Girls' Lacrosse Rules Changes were shared with District Representatives for dissemination to District Supervisors and local schools within their district.

Appreciation and Congratulations Melba Williams!

