NEW JERSEY STATE INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Route 130, P.O. Box 487, Robbinsville, NJ 08691

2019 NJSIAA BOY'S LACROSSE TOURNAMENT

(COACHES MUST HAVE A COPY OF THESE INSTRUCTIONS AVAILABLE AT EACH GAME)

TO QUALIFY:

- 1. Teams seeking admission to the tournament will first be seeded by a committee comprised of representatives from all statewide boys lacrosse leagues, using the njschoolsports.com point system as a secondary seeding reference.
- **2. Sub .500 teams.** All teams with a winning percentage below 50% as of Friday, May 10, 2019 must apply for entry into the state tournament by submitting sub .500 intent form.
- **3. Out of state opponents.** All games against out of state or non-member opponents must be reported to the NJSIAA utilizing the NJSIAA out of state opponent forms.
- **4. Power point calculation.** Teams having at least .500 (50%) winning percentage for the first thirteen (13) games up to and including Saturday, May 11, 2019 will automatically qualify.
 - **A. Quality Points** Each school will receive the following "Quality Points" for a win or tie from the first 13 games:

- **B.** Residual Points Each team will receive residual points from one of the categories below based on the result of the game.
 - **a.** Each school will receive "Residual Points" from a team they **defeated.** For each win or tie your opponent has from the first 13 games, you will receive the following:

b. Each school will receive "Residual Points" from a team they <u>tied</u>. For each win or tie your opponent has from the first 13 games, you will receive the following:

Note: No points will be rewarded when calculating "Residual Points" when your game is the opponents only tie, since you already have been awarded points for that tie.

c. Each school will receive "Residual Points" from a team they <u>lost to</u>. For each win or tie your opponent has from the first 13 games, you will receive the following:

- **5. Tournament of Champions seeding.** The TOC will be seeded immediately after the group finals by a subcommittee of the seeding committee on Thursday, May 30, 2019.
- **6.** Seventy percent (70%) of games played on or before the cut-off on May 11th must be against New Jersey schools.
- **7.** Any player with two (2) or more disqualifications in the current season, prior to the state of the NJSIAA Tournament, will be unable to compete in said tournament.
- **8.** Any varsity team accumulating three (3) or more player or coach disqualifications for flagrant unsportsmanlike conduct prior to the start of the NJSIAA Tournament will not be permitted to participate in same. Seeded teams

will forfeit their right to compete if a disqualification limit is reached prior to the state of the tournament for the team.

Records must be submitted to <u>www.njschoolsports.com</u> for all games played up to and including the cut-off on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 11, 2019 and throughout the entire tournament</u>.

To promote fairness in competition and the health and safety of student athletes, no NJSIAA member school will be eligible to participate in any NJSIAA Championship Tournament if it has violated the <u>Specific Sports Regulations</u> for the sport including, but not limited to, the start of practice, the start and ending of the sport season and the maximum contests permitted during the regular season. The application of this eligibility standard is non-appealable.

SPECIFIC SPORTS REGULATIONS (found in the *New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association Handbook 2018-2019 Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules & Regulations*

RULE 12. Lacrosse

Section 1. Rules. The National Federation Men's Lacrosse Rules shall govern all NJSIAA games.

<u>Section 2.</u> Start of Practice. First Friday of March. (March 1)

Section 3. Start of Regular Schedule. March 27, 2019.

Section 4. End of Season. As provided for in Rule 2, Section 10. (June 8)

Section 5. Transfers on or after April 20, 2019, not eligible for post-season play. (See Article IV, Section 4. K. (2).d.)

<u>Section 6.</u> Scrimmages. Interschool scrimmages are to be limited to three (3) per week until the first starting date; thereafter, including the week of the first starting date, scrimmages will be subject to the provisions of Rule 12, Section 6. *CL 1 Scrimmages during the regular season count toward the allowable number of games.*

<u>Section 7.</u> Games Per Week. Not more than a total of three (3) lacrosse games may be played per week beginning with the week of the start of the regular schedule (this includes interschool scrimmages, regular games, postponed games, and tournament games), but games may not be played on three (3) consecutive days. This section does not apply to State Tournament scheduling. You may play one four-game week.

<u>Section 8.</u> Maximum Games. A member school may play eighteen (18) games (including scrimmages as provided for in Rule 2, Section 7, Article 2) plus one tournament, plus the State Tournament or twenty (20) games (including scrimmages as provided for in Rule 2, Section 7, Article 2) plus the State Tournament.

<u>Section 9.</u> Duration of Play. A player shall play in no more than six (6) quarters during the same calendar day. This would include freshman, sophomore, junior varsity, and varsity competition.

REGARDLESS OF THE REASON, GAMES NOT COMPLETED BY SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2019 WILL NOT COUNT.

ENTRY FEE:

Eighty dollars (\$80.00) Make checks payable to NJSIAA. Please be sure school name and sport appear on check.

ENTRY DEADLINE: Teams not wishing to enter the boys lacrosse tournament must notify NJSIAA by May 10, 2019 using the TOURNAMENT REFUSAL DESIGNATION (AD website login required).

NOTE: SCHOOLS NOT WILLING OR ABLE TO COMPLY WITH TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS SHOULD NOT ENTER THE TOURNAMENT.

Any member school and/or student-athlete withdrawing from competition after having officially entered an NJSIAA tournament in any sport will be disqualified from all remaining NJSIAA tournament competition in that sport in that season and barred from participating in NJSIAA tournament competition in that sport during the next school year unless truly extraordinary circumstances were present. (Rule 2, Section 17, NJSIAA Handbook)

The Executive Committee of the NJSIAA has ruled that member schools failing to forward tournament forms to the proper address will be fined or excluded from the tournament.

2019 TOURNAMENT DATES

First Round Public	-by Wednesday, May 15 th	(Rain Date – Thursday, May 16 th
Second Round Public/First Round Non-Public	-by Saturday, May 18 th	(Rain Date – Sunday, May 19 th)
Public Sectional Semifinals	-by Wednesday, May 22 nd	(Rain Date – Thursday, May 23 rd)
Second Round Non-Public	-by Wednesday, May 22 nd	(Rain Date – Thursday, May 23 rd)
Public Sectional Finals	-by Saturday, May 25 th	(Rain Date – Sunday, May 26 th)
Non-Public Group Semi-Finals	-by Saturday, May 25 th	(Rain Date – Sunday, May 26 th)
Group Finals	-on Wednesday, May 29 th	(Rain Date – Thursday, May 30 th
T of C Quarterfinals	-on Saturday, June 1 st	(Rain Date – Sunday, June 2 nd)
T of C Semifinals	-on Wednesday, June 5 th	(Rain Date – Thursday, June 6 th)
Finals	-on Saturday, June 8 th	(Rain Date – Sunday, June 9 th)

Sites for all games prior to the Group State Championships will the home field of the higher seeded team. The Group State Championships will be held at three predetermined sites (Hopewell Valley, Livingston, Shore Regional) on Wednesday, May 29, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. The highest seeded team remaining will be the home team. Sectional Championship Teams will be assigned to a group final predetermined site by the NJSIAA on Sunday May 26, 2019.

The Tournament of Champions Quarterfinal games will be played on a predetermined site at Bridgewater on Saturday June 1, 2019 at 5:00 pm and 7:30 p.m. The Tournament of Champions Semifinal games will be played at Kean University on Wednesday June 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. The higher seeded team will be the home team.

Tournament of Champions Finals will be played on June 8, 2019, at Kean University at 7:30 p.m.

SITES

Sites for all games, except the Group State Championships and the Quarterfinals, Semifinals and Finals of the Tournament of Champions, will be at the home field of the higher seeded team as determined by the Tournament Committee. Sites will not be declared unsuitable merely because field conditions are less than perfect unless Leagues or Conferences have ruled such sites unsuitable for League or Conference play.

POSTPONEMENT

Responsibility for postponing a game shall rest with the person in charge of the playing site, and it shall be his/her responsibility to notify both schools and the Tournament Director at least three (3) hours prior to game time if a postponement is necessary. The Site Tournament Director will be responsible for postponement of the group finals and semifinals and final games of the Tournament of Champions.

In case a game is postponed due to weather conditions, the game will be played the next day, including Sundays.

RULES

The National Federation Rules as modified by NJSIAA will be the official rules.

INTERRUPTION or SUSPENSION

If a NJSIAA Men's Lacrosse Tournament Game is interrupted or suspended because of events beyond the control of the responsible authorities, it shall be continued from the point of interruption. By mutual agreement of the opposing coaches and the approval of the referee, any period may be shortened or the game terminated.

OFFICIALS

All officials must be registered members of the NJSIAA. The Tournament Assignor will assign the officials for all games. In preliminary games, the home team will pay for two (2) officials and an adult scorer/timer (\$45.00). Sectional Semifinals and Sectional Finals the Home school shall pay for (3) three officials and an adult score timer (\$45.00)

Home Team: Please call Bob Nuse (609-731-7515) with dates and times of tournament games.

In the Group Semifinals, the home team will pay for three (3) officials; The NJSIAA will pay for four (4) officials for the Group Finals, the Tournament of Champions Quarterfinals, Semifinals, and Finals.

The fees per official are:

\$Area Agreed Fee Preliminaries, Group Semifinals and Sectional Finals \$95.00 Group Finals and Quarterfinals/Semifinals of the Tournament of Champions \$100.00 Finals of T of C \$50.00 Scorer-Timer \$50.00 Table Announcer (official)

LACROSSE BALLS

<u>Each school must provide</u> six (6) new NOCSAE white lacrosse balls that have been approved by the National Federation for each game through the group semi-finals. Balls will be provided by Guardian Innovations (The Pearl) for the Group Finals and the Quarterfinals, the Semifinals and the Finals of Tournament of Championship

GAME

- 1. All weekday games prior to the Group Finals will start at 4:00 p.m. unless both teams agree to a different time.
- 2. Teams shall arrive at least thirty (30) minutes before game time.
- 3. The higher seeded team must wear the light color jersey unless otherwise agreed upon by the competing schools.
- 4. The home team must provide an adult scorer/timer for all games up to but not including the Group Finals. The site manager will provide a scorer-timer for the Group Finals in addition to two (2) horns and clocks.
- 5. <u>Each team is responsible to provide two ball-men's (who must wear protective gear), two horns, two clocks.</u>
- 6. The home school is responsible to provide an additional individual to escort the officials' and secure the officials locker room.

SEEDING

- Teams will be seeded according to their njschoolsports.com rating and the seeding committee. Regardless
 of reason, only games scheduled and completed by May 11, 2019 will be used to determine the rating.
 Head-to-Head results receive consideration only when a lower ranked team has defeated the team ranked
 immediately higher (immediately above). Note- Any split of head-to-head matches, will be dropped from the
 discussion.
- 2. Movement in seed may occur only one step at a time on the basis of the Head-to-Head criterion (i.e. If 6th in rank has defeated 5th in rank/seed, then they switch positions; if 6th in rank defeats both #5 and #4 than a double jump will be allowed)

All schedules and results must be entered on www.njschoolsports.com following each game. These rankings will be used in the seeding process. Please check to see that all games and scores have been entered on www.njschoolsports.com before May 11th. If you do not know your school code, or you encounter problems, please contact support@njschoolsports.com or the NJSIAA. Brackets will be published on the High School Sports.NJ.Com on May 13, 2019.

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AWARDS

A team trophy and thirty-five (35) certificates to the Sectional and Group State Champions. A team trophy and thirty-five (35) certificates to the T of C Champion.

ADMISSION

Admission to Group Finals, T of C Quarter Finals, T of C Semi-Finals, and T of C Finals:

Adults - \$5.00 Students (K-12) & Senior Citizens - \$3.00

ALL TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE GATE. SCHOOLS MUST INFORM THEIR STUDENTS AND LOCAL NEWS MEDIA OF THE ADMISSION POLICY. ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL OF COMPETING SCHOOLS AND TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL BE ADMITTED BY IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES TO THE GATE PERSONNEL.

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The Tournament Assignor is desirous of engaging the services of the most qualified lacrosse officials for assignments to the 2016 Lacrosse Tournament final game. Please carefully review the section titled "OFFICIALS" in the 2019 NJSIAA Lacrosse Tournament Regulations before completing this form.

Accordingly, the Tournament Assignor is seeking input from each member school's varsity lacrosse coach as to his/her recommendation relative to the lacrosse officials from his/her area. Please, therefore, list below the top six (6) officials in your area without regard to ranking, who are qualified to officiate tournament games.

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HOME PHONE

(SIGNED ATHLETIC DIRECTOR)

(SIGNED - PRINCIPAL)

APPROVED

SCHOOL PHONE

	Please notify Bob Nuse with date and and time, as soon Tournament games are scheduled. (609) 731-7515 (cell)			
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BOYS LACROSSE SUB .500 APPLICATION				
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