



District One Playoff Official Selection Process

PIAA POLICY FOR ASSIGNING DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST OFFICIALS

It is PIAA policy that PIAA District Officials' Representative(s), or the Officials' Representative's designee(s), with the concurrence of the respective PIAA District Chairmen, assign PIAA-registered Contest officials in the sports of baseball, basketball, cross country, field hockey, football, lacrosse, softball, soccer, swimming and diving, track and field, volleyball, and wrestling to all District Championship Contests. The PIAA District Officials' Representative(s), and any agents and employees thereof, who participate in the assignment of officials, shall not refuse to assign an official based on the gender, national origin, race, religion, or ethnic background of the official or the gender, national origin, race, religion, or ethnic background of the participating student-athletes; shall not discriminate against any official on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, age, nation origin, ethnic background or non-performance related disability or handicap with respect to the level, quality, or number of assignments; and shall not otherwise discriminate against any official on the basis of race, color, religion, gender, age, national origin, ethnic background, or non-performance related disability or handicap

Before each season, the District One Playoff Assignors (ie: Officials' Representative, or the Officials' Representative's designee), will be approved by the District One Committee. District One Assignors will be required to sign the [PIAA Assignor Agreement](#).

Official's Registration Form

- Before each season, the District One Office will send a [Playoff Registration Form](#) to all Chapter Presidents and Secretaries. The [Playoff Registration Form](#) will also be available on the District One Web Site.
- Officials requesting consideration for postseason assignments must return the completed form to their Chapter Secretary by the approved deadline.
- The Chapter Secretary will forward all collected forms to the PIAA District One Official Representative.
- PIAA District One Official Representative will then share the list of available officials with the District One Assignor.

District One Playoff Assignment Process

- The specific method of collecting data for the District One Official Playoff recommendations process will be established by the District One Assignor. Each process must be approved by the District One Male and Female Officials' Representatives and the District One Office.

- District One Assignors will collect a list of all available officials who wish to work the playoffs.
 - Officials must be PIAA registered and in good standing.
 - Officials must comply with all background certification requirements.

- District One Assignors are encouraged to seek feedback from League Assignors and Sport Chairpersons. League and District Assignors are encouraged to meet in person to discuss playoff assignments.
- District One Assignors, with assistance from the District One Office, are encouraged to send the list of interested and available officials to all District One member schools / coaches, and League Steering Committee Representatives. League Assignors in District One who assign for that specific sport will also be sent a list of eligible officials.
 - The District One office suggests using a Google Document to collect data from schools and league assignors. Sending and collecting ballots via email is also an acceptable form of data collection.
 - Coaches and Assignors are encouraged to submit a list of officials they deem worthy to work District Playoffs by the announced deadline.

- Official's Playoff recommendations will not be publicized. Officials will have the right to request information regarding their own rankings. However, recommendations submitted by schools, coaches and/or league assignors will remain confidential.

- All Schools and Coaches are encouraged to submit recommendations regardless of their teams' postseason position. Coaches and member schools are asked to recommend officials that they feel are worthy of working the playoffs. These recommendations do not guarantee specific game assignments.

- District One Playoff assignors will make assignments for games based on recommendations and experience.

- Officials will be notified of their selection to work playoff contests in a timely manner.

- District One Playoff Assignments will be made through the Arbiter Assigning System. Assignments made through the Arbiter system shall serve as an "electronic contract" between the official and PIAA District One.

- PIAA State Playoff assignments are determined by the PIAA Office. District One officials will be recommended to the State office based on evaluations and attendance at the state official's convention.
 - Please refer to: [PIAA Policies and Procedures](#)