

2017 BCWCA Bergen County Field Hockey Tournament

September 12, 2017

Dear Athletic Directors and Coaches,

It is my pleasure to inform you of the dates and regulations for the 2017 Bergen County Field Hockey Tournament.

- The first round will be held at the site of the higher-seeded team on Sunday, October 8th (or before if agreed upon by both teams). If this is not possible, the game **MUST** be played before Wednesday, October 11th, so that the semifinal rounds can be set up in a timely manner.
- The semi-final round will be held on Sunday, October 15th, with games at 11:00 and 1:00 at River Dell High School.
- The final will be held on October 22nd, at noon at Northern Highlands Regional High School.
- The hosted rounds (semifinals and finals) must be played on a synthetic surface.

Our seeding meeting will take place at the Allendale Bar and Grill on Monday, October 4th at 7 PM. **Please be sure that you are updating your scores on njschoolsports.com as this will be the website of record for all results.**

General Information:

- The entry fee is **\$100 per team** payable to BCWCA. **Please bring a check to the meeting** or mail it to Northern Highlands Regional High School, Attn: Coach Rich Smith, 298 Hillside Avenue, Allendale, NJ 07401. Since all of the teams in the county will be participating in the tournament please ask your AD for the check as soon as possible so you have it by the seeding meeting.
- Your results must be entered on njschoolsports.com and your roster **MUST** be entered into the Google Spreadsheet by the conclusion of the first round (first round winners only). A link has been emailed to you. If you need access to the Google Documents, please email Coach Smith.
- Officials will be supplied and paid by the BCWCA **for the semifinal and final rounds ONLY**. Because there is not a host site for the first round, BCWCA will neither collect a gate fee nor will they pay officials. **Your school is responsible for scheduling your first round game and hiring an official for the first round of the tournament.**
- Each school will be **required** to provide 2 ball girls to work the sidelines for any round that their team is involved in. Please advise them to wear different colors from the jersey of their team.
- Admission to the semifinal and final games is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students, and \$1 for seniors and children. Please have your coaches tell the athletes this, as many people are surprised that they must pay to get into the tournament! Membership cards (BCCA/BCWCA) will also be accepted. **League and state cards will not be accepted.**
- The winning team is responsible for providing the results/statistics of the game to the newspapers.
- Teams will provide their own transportation.

Please have coaches fill out the enclosed entry form and bring it to the meeting. Also please ensure that you have completed the Google Spreadsheet with your roster. Games up to and including October 5th will count toward the seeding.

Tie-breaking criteria:

- Head-to-head competition
- Record versus common opponents
- NJSIAA Power Points through first 10 games (or 9 games, etc., if either team has played fewer than 10 games)
- Goal differential
- Coin toss

See you at the seeding meeting!

Sincerely,

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Entry Form**

I certify that the won-loss record information for my field hockey team on njschoolsports.com is true and correct, and reflects all games played up to and including October 4th, 2017. I understand that any injury to a player or member of the coaching staff incurred during the tournament, or any costs incurred as a result of any such injury, will not be the responsibility of the Bergen County Women Coaches Association or the holder of a certificate of insurance from the BCWCA, and my school agrees to indemnify and hold the BCWCA harmless from any such claim.

Coach _____

Athletic Director _____

Principal _____

Please be sure to enter your roster on the Google Spreadsheet that was emailed to you. If you need a link to the file, please email Coach Smith.

Rosters are due by the date of the seeding meeting. If you do not get the roster in, your school's information will not be posted in the program for the semifinal games. A note will be attached to the program that coaches supply all of the information and the BCWCA is not responsible for typographical or inaccurate information.