



2006 BOYS' LACROSSE FORMAT

SPORT SPECIFIC INFORMATION

2005 - 2006 BOYS' LACROSSE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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Algonquin Regional (Northboro)

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Consultant

Fran Whitten

MIAA Staff Liaison

Mr. Dick Baker
Assistant Director

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & INFORMATION	DATES	TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS
Season Schedule & Commitment Form/ Informational Form Due:	Received on or before: Saturday, April 15, 2006	Tournament Director contact information is available in the "Members Only" section of the MIAA website <hr/>
Tournament Entry Form & Team Roster must be in the hands of the Tournament Director by:	May 19, 2006	
Cut-Off Date - E. Mass.: Cut-Off Date – C. & W. Mass.:	Thursday, May 25, 2006 Thursday, June 1, 2006	
Seeding - E. Mass.: Seeding – C. Mass Seeding – W. Mass	Friday, May 26, 2006 @ 9:00 a.m. @ MIAA office Friday, June 2, 2006 @ 12:00 @ Westborough High School Friday, June 2, 2006 @ 12:00 @ East Longmeadow High School	<p>Eastern Mass./State Tony Manzelli</p> <p>Central/ Bill Martin</p> <p>Western Mass. Glenn Maller</p>
First Round Matches: *E. Mass.: E. Mass.:Div. III Div. II Div. I C. Mass & W. Mass.	Tuesday, May 30, 2006 Thursday, June 1, 2006 Friday, June 2, 2006 Saturday, June 3, 2006 TBA	
Quarter Finals - E. Mass.:	Monday, June 5, 2006 Division III Tuesday, June 6, 2006 Division II Wednesday, June 7, 2006-Division I	
Quarter Finals –C. & W. Mass.:	June 3-June 5, 2006	
Semi-Finals - E. Mass.:	Thursday, June 8, 2006 Division III Friday, June 9, 2006 Division II Saturday, June 10, 2006 Division I	
Semi-Finals – C. & W. Mass.:	June 6-8, 2006	
Finals - E. Mass.: District Finals–C.Mass & W. Mass.:	Monday, June 12, 2006 Division III Tuesday, June 13, 2006 – Division II Wednesday, June 14, 2006 - Div. I Friday, June 9 or Saturday, June 10, 2006	
State Semi-Finals: C. Mass vs. W. Mass	June 12-14 @ Western Mass Site	
State Final:	Saturday, June 17, 2006 - Division II E. Mass. Champion will play the winner of the C. Mass vs. W. Mass State Semi-Finals Champion for the State Div. II Championship @ Eastern Mass site.	

*If a pre-preliminary game is required, it may alter the tournament schedule. Schools will be notified by the Tournament Director in advance.

The following forms must be submitted:

FORMS	DEADLINE
Season Schedule and Commitment Form/Informational Form	April 15, 2006
MIAA Tournament Entry Form	May 19, 2006
MIAA Boys' State Lacrosse Tournament Team Roster	May 19, 2006
MIAA Boys' Sectional Referees Recommending Form	May 19, 2006
Tournament Code of Conduct Form	May 19, 2006
Teams Sportsmanship Nomination Form	May 24, 2006

2006 MIAA BOYS' STATE LACROSSE TOURNAMENT

1. **GAME RULES**--All tournament games will be played under the rules of the **National Federation** except for those modified by the MIAA for high school use.
2. **POSTPONED GAMES**--
 - A. Only the MIAA liaison and tournament director may decide to postpone games.
 - B. Postponed games will be played on the next available date according to field availability.
3. **SITES** - All games will be played on the site of the higher seeded team, providing their site is acceptable. (Exception: Sectional Semi-Finals & Final, State Semi-Finals & Final game may be played at a neutral site as determined by the Tournament Director and MIAA Liaison.)

If the higher seeded team has an unacceptable home site, as determined by the Director, it may choose an alternative site and pay those related site expenses as approved in advance by the Tournament Director.

If a suitable alternative site cannot be immediately procured, the game will be played at the site of the lower seeded team, provided that site is acceptable to the Tournament Director. If that site is not acceptable, the Director shall select a neutral site for the game.

- A. Semi-final and final game sites for both sectional and state level contests will be held in a facility that is conducive to ticket sales. As a minimum, this site must have stands that can accommodate a minimum of 1000 spectators with adequate parking, have a permanent working scoreboard with a visible game clock, a functional Public Address system and restrooms available. The field's surface, markings and nets would have to be consistent with the championship nature of the competition (Rule Book – The Field).
 - B. If the host school cannot meet the aforementioned criteria, that school will have the opportunity to recommend to the tournament director an alternative site which does satisfy the Committee's requirements.
4. **STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME**--*The Division II State championship game will be between the Eastern Mass. Winner and the Central/Western Mass. winner. The 2006 State Championship Game will be played in Eastern MA. Sites must meet the criteria listed above in 3A.*
 5. **STARTING TIMES**--The starting time for a game played on a weekday will be 5:00 PM or mutually agreed time. Saturday will be played at 1:00 PM (unless mutual agreement by the athletic directors to change time).

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6. **HOME TEAM**--The home team shall be the top seeded team. The home team shall provide three identical balls. The home team shall wear light colored jerseys and the visiting team shall wear dark jerseys.
 7. **CLOCKS AND HORN**--The home team shall provide clocks and horns for any preliminary round game. The Tournament Director shall provide clocks and horns for all games played at neutral tournament sites during any championship rounds.
 8. **BALL PERSONS**--The home team will provide ball persons during all rounds. The ball persons will wear protective equipment including a helmet.
 9. **SCORE REPORTS**--The **WINNING TEAM** shall call the Tournament Director as soon after the game as possible.
 10. **TOURNAMENT QUALIFYING CRITERIA**--Schools must play a minimum of ten (10) games against MIAA member schools and out of state high schools, that are members in good standing with their state high school associations. MIAA member schools when playing non-member schools must verify the record of those opponents on May 25th for East and June 1, 2006 (by 10AM) for Central & West and report to the Tournament Director prior to the seeding meeting.
 11. **TOURNAMENT SEEDING**--The Lacrosse Committee voted that boys' lacrosse will seed as follows for this spring tournament.

Method Used for Seeding

STEP 1: *Overall Winning Percentage*--The Tournament Director will rank each team within a division in numerical order in each of the following categories:

- A. *Winning Percentage*: Calculate the *overall* winning percentage for each team and numerically rank the results, with one being the best.
- B. Measure success against other *tournament* teams.

STEP 2: Following the objective information provided in Steps A and B, the seeding committee will rank each team numerically with one being the best. This should be based on many factors including: steps A and B, head to head competition, record against higher teams based on steps A and B, record against common opponents, strength of schedule, any other factors that the committee deems appropriate in separating the quality of one team from another.

STEP 3: The rankings from each of the three categories will be tabulated to establish the seeding of teams.

TEAM % OF WINS + WINS/TOURNAMENT TEAMS + COMMITTEE RANK = FINAL RANK

The seeding committee will consist of the Tournament Director who is a non-voting member, voting members of the State Lacrosse Committee and may also include as voting members, District Athletic Committee members from the tournament district(s). At least one coach should be present as an observer.

NOTE: If playing out of state schools where their athletic associations do not recognize Lacrosse as a sport, games will not count for tournament qualifications. Games do count for number of games played per week/session. (NY, VT, NH, CT and NJ Associations recognize Lacrosse as a sport).

12. **MEDICAL COVERAGE**—A licensed athletic trainer, physician, physician's assistant, certified EMT, or nurse practitioner will be available at all contests. This coverage will be provided/compensated by the Host School in tournament rounds at the site of the higher seeded team. The MIAA will compensate for this coverage at MIAA designated neutral sites.
13. **OTHER INFORMATION**--The Team Schedule must include all games, league and non-league.



Boys' Lacrosse Team Sportsmanship Award

The MIAA Tournament Management Committee has approved an Annual Sportsmanship Award to be presented to one Boys' Lacrosse team per division at the MIAA State Championship game.

We would like to encourage you to nominate a boys lacrosse team for consideration by the MIAA Boys' Lacrosse Committee for recognition at the MIAA Championships. Nominated teams do not have to be tournament teams but should exemplify the tenets of good sportsmanship to the highest degree. Criteria to include: Teamwork, Fair play/respect for opponents, Ethics and Citizenship. Self-nominations are acceptable.

I would like to nominate the following team for consideration of the MIAA Boys' Lacrosse Sportsmanship Award:

School: _____ Division: _____

City/Town: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Principal: _____

Athletic Director: _____ School Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____

Coach: _____ Home Phone: _____

Captain(s) names: _____

Number of Games Played _____

Number of Game Disqualifications _____

Number of Unsportsmanlike Conducts _____

Please provide a brief statement with regard to the reasons for this nomination below!

Your Name _____ **Signature** _____

Position _____ **School** _____

Date _____ **Phone** _____

Send to: MIAA
Attn: Boys' Lacrosse Committee
33 Forge Parkway
Franklin, MA 02038

Fax: 508-541-9888

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY May 24, 2006