

Boys' and Girls' State Tournament Lacrosse Committee Board of Control Report Wednesday, December 11, 2024



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2024 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 Glen Burnie, Kent Island, Paint Branch, Severna Park, 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, Ken Kazmarek, and Melissa Jones 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.

2024 State Champions Bovs – 4A Girls – 4A **Urbana** defeated Broadneck 7-5 Broadneck defeated Urbana 10-9 Boys – 3A Girls – 3A Severna Park defeated Towson 8-6 Severna Park defeated Dulaney 12-6 Boys – 2A Girls – 2A Glenelg defeated Hereford 10-7 **Glenelg** defeated Queen Anne's 13-3 Boys – 1A Girls – 1A Fallston defeated Liberty 15-2 Fallston defeated Southern AA 14-7 **Sportsmanship Award Winner Melba Williams Sportsmanship Award Winner** Towson Queen Anne's

Girls

- Coach Katy Kelley led Broadneck to their fourth consecutive championship and seventh overall.
- Severna Park has equaled Mt. Hebron in the total number of championships, with each holding 15 titles.
- This marked the 22nd appearance in the state tournament for the Dulaney girls' team, making them the team with the most appearances, surpassing Mount Hebron.
- Boys
- Severna Park clinched their eighth consecutive state championship and maintains the record for the most championships in history, with a total of 13.
- This marked Hereford's 22nd appearance in the state tournament, tying them with Dulaney for the most appearances.

2025 Region Tournament (Refer to Spring Tournament Bulletin for Prom Guidelines)

- Last Play Date May 3, 2025, for seeding consideration
- Draw May 5, 2025
- Last Play Date May 6, 2025
- Region Game Dates May 7, 2025 (Qtrs), May 9, 2025 (Semis), and May 12, 2025 (Region Finals)
- State Quarter Finals May 14, 2025
- Region Finals three-person officiating crew is to be assigned for region final games

2025 State Semi-Finals

State Semifinal Designated Sites for 2025 include the following high schools (thank you, thank you, thank you):

- 1) Gaithersburg High School
- 2) Glen Burnie High School
- 3) Kent Island Tentative4) Paint Branch High School
- 5) Severn Run Tentative
- 6) Wheaton High School
- Semifinal Playdates Friday, May 16, 2025 and Saturday, May 17, 2025
- 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 <u>Spring</u> <u>Tournament Bulletin</u>
- Prom procedures are outlined in the Spring Tournament Bulletin and will be followed in regard to scheduling Region and State Tournaments games.

2025 State Finals

- Stevenson University
 - o May 20, 2025
 - o May 21, 2025
 - o May 22, 2025

National Federation of High Schools (NFHS) 2025 Rule Changes

- Boys View the 2025 Boy's Lacrosse Rules Changes and 2025 Points of Emphasis by going to <u>www.nfhs.org</u>; click on Activities and Sports, then select Lacrosse-boys.
- Girls View the 2025 Girls' Lacrosse Rules Changes and 2025 Points of Emphasis by going to <u>www.nfhs.org</u>; click on Activities and Sports, then select Lacrosse-girls.
- 2025 Boys' and Girls' Lacrosse Rules Changes were shared with District Representatives for dissemination to District Supervisors and local schools within their district.

DECEMBER 2024 MPSSAA SOFTBALL REPORT

Highlights from the Spring 2025 Bulletin:

- Semifinals will be held at Bachmann Sports Complex in Glen Burnie --- 8 games to be played on Tuesday, May 20, beginning at 4:00 p.m. (raindate Wednesday, May 21)
- Finals will be played at the University of Maryland Softball Complex as of right now, two games on Friday, May 23, and two games on Saturday, May 24. Schedule to be determined at the completion of the semifinal games.
- Last play date for seeding will be Monday, May 5. Seeding will occur on May 6.
- First round of regionals will be played on Thursday, May 8.
- Region finals are set for Wednesday, May 14, with the state quarterfinals set for Friday, May 16. If either region winner has a prom on Friday, May 16, the quarterfinal game will be played on Saturday, May 17.
- As always, please encourage your coaches to be sure their region chairperson has your senior prom and graduation dates. Scores are to be submitted by coaches/AD's so that they can be included on the MPSSAA website. It is most important that we have your prom and graduation dates <u>before</u> regionals begin. We are most willing to work with schools, but we must know ahead of time if a conflict might occur.

Committee Point of Emphasis:

• We will continue to take senior proms and graduations into consideration when scheduling regional and state games. <u>We will not change schedules to</u> <u>accommodate senior picnics, senior awards banquets, senior trips,</u>

Special Recognition:

- Special thanks to the Orioles, Nationals, and Baysox for hosting our state champions at their stadiums.
- Congratulations to our state champions: Leonardtown (4A), Sherwood (3A), Rising Sun (2A), and Allegany (1A). Mardela was the Eugene G. Robertson Sportsmanship Award winner.
- In addition, we would like to thank Jamie Izdebski Hedges for her service to our committee.

MPSSAA STATE TENNIS REPORT

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BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING

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The major discussions at the Fall Tennis meeting regarding the Region Tournaments and the State Tournament are below:

- 1. Ties: The Committee updated criteria for States to try and prevent so many ties with team championships. The criteria for breaking ties is below:
 - The team with the most number of 2nd place finishes.
 - The team with the most number of 3rd place finishes
 - The team with the fewest games lost during the State Tournament.
- 2. The Committee made a change in the order of play on Saturday. The order of play at the State Tournament on Saturday will be 3A/4A followed by 1A/2A.
- The Committee requested to return to 16 Region Tournaments instead of 32 with the 2025 Tennis Classification Alignment. They will now be able to seed players.
- 4. The Committee made some changes to the setup of the State Tournament. They will be making signs so that people attending the tournament will be more aware of where to park and set up and bathrooms. All of this will also be on line and sent by coaches to everyone attending.
- 5. The Regional tournaments have all been scheduled, and are available from the members of the Committee and your Committee District Representatives.

The State Tournament will be held at the Wilde Lake Tennis Center and Wilde Lake High School in Columbia.