

**PIAA DISTRICT XI BOYS VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**Presented by St. Luke's University Health Network**  
**2026**

**DATES, LOCATIONS, TIMES OF BOYS VOLLEYBALL DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

**Dates are tentative**

Tuesday, May 19, 2026	AAA	Quarterfinals	Time TBD	@Higher Seed
Wednesday, May 20, 2026	AA	Semifinals	5:00 PM/6:45 PM	@ TBA
Thursday, May 21, 2026	AAA	Semifinals	5:00 PM/6:45 PM	@ TBA
Tuesday, May 26, 2026	AA	Championship	5:00 PM	@ TBA
Tuesday, May 26, 2026	AAA	Championship	7:00 PM	@ TBA
Thursday May 28, 2026	AA	DI vs. DXI play-in	Time & Location TBD	

**DISTRICT COMMITTEE PERSON IN CHARGE OF CHAMPIONSHIP:**

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**ELIGIBILITY AND METHOD OF SEEDING:** The District XI Power Rating System will be used to seed teams with teams. There will be no preferential seed due to each classification participating in a sub-region. Tournament Brackets and times are to be posted no later than **NOON** on Sunday, May 18, 2025 on the District XI website.

- A. Seeding will be based on the entire regular season schedule. League play-offs and scrimmages are not to be included.
- B. Current standings and results will be available season-long on the District XI website under the Boys Volleyball links.
- C. The EPC league champion will earn the AAA top seed.
- D. The 4 highest seeded teams will qualify for the AA tournament plus any school who has won 50% of their regularly scheduled league games or their overall schedule.
- E. The 6 highest seeded teams will qualify for the AAA tournament plus any school who has won 50% of their regularly scheduled league games or their overall schedule.
- F. Only games scheduled **prior** to the beginning of the Boys Volleyball season will be considered.
- G. Teams must have played 8 matches to be eligible for qualification.
- H.** All games completed by **11 PM on Wednesday, May 13, 2026**, will be counted toward entrance into the District XI Boys Volleyball Tournament. **To be considered for tournament play, all schools must complete electronic data entry by 11 PM Wednesday, May 13, 2026.**
- I.** Preferential seed will be awarded to league champions. League champions should be determined by 9 PM on Saturday, May 16, 2026.

**GAME LOCATIONS:** All first round and quarter-final games will be played on the home site of the upper-seeded team. All games are to begin at 6:00 p.m., unless other arrangements are secured with the volleyball chairman. The visiting team is responsible for contacting the home team to make sure the uniforms are of contrasting color.

**FINANCES:** Reimbursement and expenses will be paid in accordance with District XI Policy.

**ASSIGNMENT OF OFFICIALS:** Officials will be assigned by the District XI Assignors in conjunction with the District XI Volleyball Chairperson. Officials will be paid by the District at the conclusion of the tournament. 4-person crews will be used for all games.

**SPORTSMANSHIP STATEMENT:** PIAA requires all registered sports' officials to enforce the sportsmanship rules for coaches and contestants. Actions meant to demean opposing contestants, teams, spectators and officials are not in the highest ideals of interscholastic education and will not be tolerated. Let all contests reflect mutual respect. Coaches will certify prior to the contest that teams are legally equipped according to the rules of that contest.

**TOURNAMENT MANAGERS:** As determined by District XI Volleyball Chairperson.

**TICKET PRICES:**

All Rounds:                      \$7.00

**AWARDS PRESENTED FOR EACH SPORT:**

Championship Trophy for each classification Champion  
15 gold and silver medals will be awarded in each class

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Each school is responsible to provide for their own trainer. District XI will have medical service on call. The **top seeded team** will be the home team, regardless of their position in the bracket. Seeding is only recognized for sites on the first and quarterfinal rounds of play. For the semi-final and final games, the sites are chosen by the District Committee and consideration is given for TV coverage in selecting the sites.

**GAME REGULATIONS**

- A. The higher seeded team will be the home team. The visiting team is responsible for being sure that their uniforms are of contrasting color with the home team.
- B. Each team is required to furnish three (3) official game condition volleyballs meeting the National Federation Rules and PIAA requirements.
- C. First and second place medals will be presented to the first fifteen (15) individuals from each school at the conclusion of the championship game. Additional medals may be purchased for remaining individual team members at the discretion of each school (see section on ordering additional medals in this handbook).
- D. All District XI Championship teams will be committed to represent this district in the State Tournament per the tournament bracketing and playoff information. **State Tournament information, when received, should be reviewed very carefully by each school to assure that our District XI winners will meet State deadlines.**

**OFFICIAL BALL:** All Participants in the tournament must use The **Baden** Ball Perfection VX5EC-210. The ball must be red, white, and blue.

**WARM-UPS:** District XI will use a 6-7-7 format for warm-ups. The coin toss will take place 25 minutes prior to the scheduled starting time. After the coin toss, the following warm-up schedule will be used:

- 6 minutes of warm-ups/ stretching for both teams
- 7 minutes for serving team
- 7 minutes for receiving team

### PRE-CONTEST WARM-UPS

Warm-ups - Once competition begins, Teams must be ready to play after twenty (20) minutes of warm-up. Scheduled Teams may occupy their court for purposes of stretching prior to competition. However, no balls shall be permitted on the court until 30 min prior to competition start time, or permission has been granted by the Contest Manager. The procedure will be a 6-7-7 warm-up format. For the first six minutes, both competing teams share the full court, each occupying their own side. For the next seven minutes, the serving team has full court for seven minutes. For the final seven minutes, the receiving team has full court for seven minutes.

Scheduled teams may occupy their court for purposes of stretching prior to competition. However, no balls shall be permitted on the court until the scheduled warm-up time, unless permission has been granted by the Tournament Director. Matches will not be permitted to begin prior to the published Tournament schedule starting time.

**SCORING:** Each match shall consist of best of five, 25-point (no cap), 2-point advantage rally scoring sets. If a fifth game is necessary, it will be a 15 point (no cap) 2-point advantage rally scoring set. The team that is the winner of the greater number of games in each match shall be declared the winner.

### Volleyball

	2A	3A
1	Bethlehem Catholic	Easton
2	Lincoln Leadership	Emmaus
3	Notre Dame GP	Freedom
4	Southern Lehigh	Liberty
5		Dieruff
6		Nazareth
7		Northampton
8		Parkland
9		PM East
10		PM West
11		Allen
12		Whitehall

### State Qualifiers 2026

Class	Opponent
2A	12-2 @ 1/11-1
3A	3-3 @ 11-1
3A	11-2 @ 2-2