

# **SOCCER FORMAT**

## **Effective 2011 - 2012**

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### **2011 CUP CHAMPIONSHIP DATE:**

**Monday, October 3, 2011**  
Wheeling Island Stadium

### **FUTURE DATES:**

October 1, 2012  
September 30, 2013  
September 29, 2014  
October 5, 2015

### **MANDATORY MEETING:**

There will be a mandatory meeting for all coaches on Sunday, August 7, 2011, at WesBanco Arena starting at 6:30PM. Any school that is not represented by their coach or an appointed representative from that school will have to pay a \$100 penalty **AND** attend a make-up meeting to be eligible for the championships.

1. There will be three (3) Championship Series Champions in both boys' and girls' divisions. There will also be one (1) OVAC Tournament Cup Champion for both boys and girls. The Conference champion, who will receive the OVAC pennant and championship trophy, will be the winner of the OVAC Championship Series.

2. The Conference has been divided into three (3) groups based on the 2011-2012 enrollment figures.

**1A-3A:** Trinity Christian, Bishop Rosecrans\*, Madonna (girls only), Wheeling Central, Caldwell (boys only), Linsly, Steubenville Catholic, Shenandoah (boys only), Monroe Central (boys only), Tyler Consolidated, Magnolia

**4A:** St. Clairsville, Oak Glen, Weir, Edison, East Liverpool, Steubenville

**5A:** Beaver Local\*, Indian Creek, Cambridge, Zanesville\*, Brooke, John Marshall, University, Parkersburg South, Morgantown, Wheeling Park

**\*Not eligible for Divisional Championship or Cup Play.**

Each team is required to play a minimum of six (6) Conference matches to qualify for their Divisional Championship, Cup Play, and bonus points. Division Champions will be determined by regular season play, which will conclude on Wednesday, September 21, 2011. The OVAC Cup Tournament will begin on Monday, September 26, 2011, and run until Monday, October 3, 2011.

3. Divisional Champions will be determined by the following point system, based on their classification:

1A-3A = 50 points

4A = 60 points

5A = 70 points

Non-Conference schools are assigned points based on OVAC enrollment figures.

4. First level points are awarded based on using the OVAC classifications in correlation with the enrollment of the opponent school. First level points will be awarded for each win over an opponent. First level points for a tie will be awarded 1/2 of the opponent's total first level points.

5. FIVE (5) Bonus Points will be awarded for all wins by defeated OVAC opponents. NO BONUS POINTS will be awarded for any wins by defeated non-Conference schools. No bonus points will be awarded for a tie.

6. If any team plays an opponent on its regular season schedule more than two (2) times, only the first two matches played will count in the OVAC standings or toward minimum OVAC game requirements.

7. Once the first and second level points are determined, the total points accumulated by the school will be divided by the total number of matches played by the cutoff date. The resulting average will determine the division champion. The team with the highest average at the conclusion of the season will be declared the champion in their respective division.

8. The three (3) division champions and the next five (5) highest teams by point average will qualify for the Cup Tournament. Schools who can not compete in the tournament through its completion due to overscheduling the State limits of their respective state will not be allowed to participate in the tournament. In this case, each team will move up and the next team in order of finish will be elevated to fill the vacant spot.

9. The average for each school will determine the seeding for the OVAC Cup Tournament.

10. The following procedures will be used to break any ties concerning average point standings:

- A. Head-to-head competition
- B. Record against common opponents
- C. Goals allowed in Conference matches
- D. Goal differential in Conference matches (up to a maximum of four per game)
- E. Coin toss

11. This format will be reviewed by the soccer committee after the 2011 season.

12. All championship games in your division must be played by Wednesday, September 21, 2011.

13. The OVAC Cup will take place from Monday, September 26, 2011, through the championship game on Monday, October 3, 2011.

14. The OVAC Cup will be played at Brooke High School and St. Clairsville High School for the preliminary games. The boys will play at Brooke High School on Monday (26th) and Wednesday (28th) at 5:00 and 7:00PM, while the girls will play at St. Clairsville on Tuesday (27th) and Thursday (29th) at 5:00 and 7:00PM. The semi-finals will be on Saturday (1st) at Wheeling Island Stadium with the times to be announced.

The finals will be on Monday, October 3, 2011, at the Wheeling Island Stadium. The girls will play at 5:30PM, while the boys will play 7:30PM.

15. All Championship Series games will be determined by the regular time result. If a match must have a winner (i.e. tournament), it will not affect the previous tie in regulation time.

16. All Cup matches must have a conclusion. If the score is tied at the end of regulation play, two full five (5) minute halves will be played. If there is no score or it remains tied, it will immediately move to a shootout.

17. Each team that plays in the Cup will pay a \$30.00 entry fee. Checks must be made out to the OVAC and mailed or given to the OVAC Executive Secretary before their first game. If this entry fee is not paid before the first game, that team will not be permitted to participate.

Gate prices for all Cup Championship games will be:

Adults: \$6.00

Students: \$4.00

OVAC passes are good for all Cup Championship games.

18. Results of all matches should be called into your local paper **IMMEDIATELY** after the game. **Divisional match results must be sent to Rick DeLuca.** The score MUST BE REPORTED for every game.

19. Suspensions for red cards will follow established State rules with this exception: ALL red cards will be reviewed from the referee's game report by the OVAC. Multi-game suspensions may be assessed for deliberate fouls with intent to injure, fighting, language, or anything else deemed to be detrimental to the game. A player who receives a second red card multi-game suspension could be suspended from the OVAC. **There are absolutely no appeals to red cards.**

20. An All-OVAC soccer team will be selected by the coaches for all divisions.

The champion of the Championship Series will place four (4) players; second place will place three (3) players; third and fourth places will each place two (2) players; and all other teams will receive one (1) selection on First Team All-OVAC. In addition, all schools will receive two (2) Honorable Mention selections. There will be no other additions, **PERIOD!**

21. A dinner meeting of all head coaches will be held on Tuesday, November 15, 2011, at 7:00PM at WesBanco Arena, Wheeling, WV. Coaches are encouraged to be there at 6:00PM to work on their 2012 schedules.

Coaches will also vote on the following that night for both boys and girls in each division:

- A. Player-of-the-Year; and
- B. Coach-of-the-Year.

22. **All coaches are reminded of their State limits for number of games played. Possible OVAC Cup games must be included in that total.**

23. The boys' and girls' All-Star matches will be played on Sunday, May 6, 2012, at Harding Stadium in Steubenville. Boys will start at 1:00PM, with the girls following at 3:30PM.

## **NOTICE:**

**Schools who can not compete in the tournament to its completion due to overscheduling the State limits of their respective state will not be allowed to participate in the tournament. In this case, each team will move up and the next team in order of finish will be elevated to fill the vacant spot.**

**In the event that a school should schedule a game between the quarter-final/semi-final game and the championship that should put them over the State limit, they will not be permitted to compete in the playoffs and will be ineligible for competition in that sport the following year.**

**Executive Board order  
May 28, 2003**

## **SOCCER COMMITTEE:**

Chuck Robinson, Soccer Director  
Dan Shorts, Assistant Director  
Thomas E. Rataiczak, Executive Secretary

Jeremy Angelo, Edison  
Greg Bowers, Steubenville  
Mario Julian, Wheeling Park  
Steve Kopcha, Steubenville Catholic  
Ray Petrisin, University  
Jessica Naughton, Weir

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## **FUTURE DATES:**

### **2011-2012**

Mandatory Meeting: Sunday, August 7, 2011  
Cutoff Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2011  
Boys' Quarterfinals: Monday, September 26, 2011  
Girls' Quarterfinals: Tuesday, September 27, 2011  
Boys' Quarterfinals: Wednesday, September 28, 2011  
Girls' Quarterfinals: Thursday, September 29, 2011  
All Semi-Finals: Saturday, October 1, 2011  
Cup Championship: Monday, October 3, 2011  
All-Star Game: Sunday, May 6, 2012

### **2012-2013**

Mandatory Meeting: Sunday, August 5, 2012  
Cutoff Date: Wednesday, September 19, 2012  
Boys' Quarterfinals: Monday, September 24, 2012  
Girls' Quarterfinals: Tuesday, September 25, 2012  
Boys' Quarterfinals: Wednesday, September 26, 2012  
Girls' Quarterfinals: Thursday, September 27, 2012  
All Semi-Finals: Saturday, September 29, 2012  
Cup Championship: Monday, October 1, 2012  
All-Star Game: Sunday, May 5, 2013

### **2013-2014**

Mandatory Meeting: Sunday, August 4, 2013  
Cutoff Date: Wednesday, September 18, 2013  
Boys' Quarterfinals: Monday, September 23, 2013  
Girls' Quarterfinals: Tuesday, September 24, 2013  
Boys' Quarterfinals: Wednesday, September 25, 2013  
Girls' Quarterfinals: Thursday, September 26, 2013  
All Semi-Finals: Saturday, September 28, 2013  
Cup Championship: Monday, September 30, 2013  
All-Star Game: Sunday, May 4, 2014

### **2014-2015**

Mandatory Meeting: Sunday, August 3, 2014  
Cutoff Date: Wednesday, September 17, 2014  
Boys' Quarterfinals: Monday, September 22, 2014  
Girls' Quarterfinals: Tuesday, September 23, 2014  
Boys' Quarterfinals: Wednesday, September 24, 2014  
Girls' Quarterfinals: Thursday, September 25, 2014  
All Semi-Finals: Saturday, September 27, 2014  
Cup Championship: Monday, September 29, 2014  
All-Star Game: Sunday, May 3, 2015

### **2015-2016**

Mandatory Meeting: Sunday, August 2, 2015  
Cutoff Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2015  
Boys' Quarterfinals: Monday, September 28, 2015  
Girls' Quarterfinals: Tuesday, September 29, 2015  
Boys' Quarterfinals: Wednesday, September 30, 2015  
Girls' Quarterfinals: Thursday, October 1, 2015  
All Semi-Finals: Saturday, October 3, 2015  
Cup Championship: Monday, October 5, 2015  
All-Star Game: Sunday, May 1, 2016

## **INELIGIBLE FOR CHAMPIONSHIP**

### **2011-2012**

1A-3A: Bishop Rosecrans  
4A: All Eligible  
5A: Beaver Local  
Zanesville

