





# Western Mass Tournament What you need to know



The Tradition Lives On!!!



### Who We Are

#### •WE ARE DISTRICT 1

Schools in 4 Counties make up District 1

Berkshire County, Franklin County,
 Hampden County, and Hampshire County



Our Athletes play in two conferences

PVIAC and Berkshire County

## How did we get here?

- With the MIAA State wide tournament going into effect this year the sectional championships as we knew them no longer exist
- District 1 has come together to create our own Western Mass tournament to keep traditions alive.

## Class Alignment

- To find out what class your school is in check out
   <a href="http://www.pviac.net/wmass-tournament.html">http://www.pviac.net/wmass-tournament.html</a> and click tournament information
  - Includes: cutoff dates, game dates, how many teams qualify, and how many regular season games each sport has
- Curious about your school's STATE rankings? Check out the link below
  - <a href="http://www.miaa.net/contentm/easy">http://www.miaa.net/contentm/easy</a> pages/view.php?sid=38&page id=361

- Q: How many teams can qualify?
  - A: Depends on the sport but most are top 8
- Q: How do you qualify? How does the seeding work?
  - Seeding is Based off the MIAA state power rankings.
  - Then we make a W. Mass power ranking based off the state's rankings
  - Top 8 (some 4) teams in each Class qualify
- Q: How will ties in the power rankings be decided
  - We will be using the MIAA tiebreaker rule
  - <a href="http://miaa.net/gen/miaa\_generated\_bin/documents/basic\_module/TMC\_Tie\_Breaking\_Procedure\_Fall\_2019.pdf">http://miaa.net/gen/miaa\_generated\_bin/documents/basic\_module/TMC\_Tie\_Breaking\_Procedure\_Fall\_2019.pdf</a>

- Q: When will the tournaments take place?
  - A: The tournament has been built into the last week of the regular season.
- Q: Will the Championship game count towards the state ranking?
  - A: No, The championship game is considered an MIAA exemption game and will not count towards the state ranking.
- Q: What happens to the teams that get eliminated in the first round?
  - A: Tournament Teams that gets eliminated in the first round will get a consolation game that will count towards the state ranking.

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