

2008 NJSIAA/NEW JERSEY DEVILS ICE HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

(COACHES MUST HAVE A COPY OF THESE INSTRUCTIONS AVAILABLE AT EACH GAME)

TO QUALIFY

All NJSIAA member schools shall be eligible for the tournament provided they have played a minimum of ten (10) interscholastic games and have at least a 50% winning percentage by Monday, February 11, 2008. **All Gordon Division members of the NJIHL gain automatic eligibility regardless of winning percentage. Any other school below 50% winning percentage but within 4 games of .500 at the cutoff may apply to the NJSIAA Ice Hockey At-Large Committee for inclusion in the tournament.** Schools qualifying for the tournament will be notified by February 26, 2008. Games completed after February 11, 2008 will not count for entrance or seeding, regardless of reason. TIES WILL NOT COUNT TO DETERMINE WINNING PERCENTAGE.

NOTE: To be eligible for the ice hockey tournament, your ice hockey schedule must show that seventy percent (70%) of your competition from the opening of your season until February 11 was against New Jersey schools. **To promote fairness in competition and the health and safety of student athletes, no NJSIAA member school will be eligible to participate in any NJSIAA Championship Tournament if it has violated the Specific Sports Regulations for the sport including, but not limited to, the start of practice, the start and ending of the sport season and the maximum contests permitted during the regular season. The application of this eligibility standard is non-appealable.**

The Public School State Tournament will be divided into two (2) divisions based on enrollment. Public schools with an enrollment from 1,010 to 2,423 will compete in the Public A Tournament. Public schools with an enrollment from 361 to 1,005 will compete in the Public B Tournament. The public school group classifications are located on page 11.

Reminder: Any varsity team accumulating three (3) or more player/coach disqualifications for flagrant unsportsmanlike conduct prior to the start of the State Tournament will not be permitted to participate in said Tournament. Any player/coach disqualified for flagrant unsportsmanlike conduct two or more times in the current season prior to the start of the State Tournament will not be allowed to compete in said Tournament.

Rule 11. ICE HOCKEY

Section 1 Rules. The National Federation Ice Hockey Rules, with the following exceptions, shall govern all NJSIAA games>

Article 1.....The game shall consist of three periods of 15 minutes.

Article 2.....On a disqualification penalty, the player shall be put in the custody of the coach on the bench.

Article 3.....There shall be no overtime periods, except in play-offs.

Article 4.....There shall be no limit to non-playing personnel on the bench, but the coach is responsible and must suffer the penalty if any bench disturbance occurs.

Section 2. Start of Practice. November 15.

Section 3. Start of Regular Schedule. December 1.

Section 4. End of Season. No interscholastic games at any level (sub-varsity or varsity) other than the NJSIAA Tournament may be played after the Saturday after completion of the preliminary round of the NJSIAA Tournament.

Section 5. Scrimmages. Interscholastic scrimmages are to be limited to three (3) per week until the first starting date; thereafter, including the week of the first starting date, scrimmages will be subject to the provisions of Rule 11. Section 6.

CL Scrimmages during the regular season count toward the allowable number of games

Section 6. Games Per Week. Not more than a total of three (3) ice hockey games may be played per week beginning with the week of the start of the regular schedule (this includes interschool scrimmages, regular season games, postponed games, play-off series, and tournament games), but games may not be played on three (3) consecutive days. You may play one four-game week.

Section 7. Maximum Games. A member school may play a total of 26 ice hockey games (including scrimmages as provided for in Rule 2, Section 7, Article 2). This would include play-off series and tournaments. The State Tournament would be in addition to the 26 games.

Section 8. Play-offs. A play-off series shall be of a single elimination type not to exceed eight (8) teams and limited to a maximum of three (3) games.

ENTRY FEE: A check for eighty (\$80.00) made payable to the NJSIAA with qualifying entry form should be sent to Paul McInnis

**Tournament Director
6 Fellswood Drive
Livingston, NJ 07039**

Home Phone (973-992-7613)

Fax non-qualifying (below .500 other than Gordon Division teams) At-Large Applications to:

Joe Walsh

Seton Hall Prep

(Chairman of the At-Large Committee)

at 973.325.6652 by 12:00 noon on Tuesday, February 12, 2008.

The committee may recommend to the NJSIAA Ice Hockey Committee a maximum of three (3) public and two (2) non-public schools for inclusion in the tournament. The decision of the NJSIAA Ice Hockey Committee is final.

Qualifying entries must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, February 13, 2008. Non-qualifying entries must be faxed to Mr. Walsh no later than 12:00 noon Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2008.

The 2008 Ice Hockey seeding meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 20, 2008. Pairings will be posted on the NJSIAA website after 4:00 pm on February 20. **All tournament seedings will become final on Thursday, February 21, 2008, at 12 noon.**

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NJSIAA HAS RULED THAT MEMBER SCHOOLS FAILING TO FORWARD TOURNAMENT FORMS TO THE PROPER ADDRESS WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM THE TOURNAMENT COMPETITION IN THAT SPORT.

TOURNAMENT DATES - SCHOOLS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO PLAY ANY REGULAR SEASON GAMES OR CONFERENCE, COUNTY OR CUP PLAYOFF GAMES at any level (sub-varsity or varsity) AFTER SATURDAY, MARCH 1, 2008.

Preliminary Round Must be played by Thursday, February 28, 2008

First Round: Must be played by Monday, March 3, 2008

Second Round: Must be played by Wednesday, March 5, 2008

ATTENTION: Games may be played earlier by mutual agreement of the competing schools. Schools receiving a bye may not force their opponent to play on consecutive days. THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR MUST BE NOTIFIED BY THE HOME SCHOOL IMMEDIATELY SHOULD ANY PROBLEMS ARISE IN SETTING A DATE. HIS DECISION WILL BE FINAL.

SCHOOLS ENTERING THE TOURNAMENT WILL NOT BE GRANTED A CHANGE OF DATE DUE TO ANY CONFLICTS WITH SCHOOL TRIPS, DANCES, BANQUETS, TESTING PROGRAMS, PROMS, GRADUATION, AND THE LIKE.

Public State Group quarterfinals: Saturday, March 8 – 4:30 pm & 6:30 pm (Game Time)
Sunday, March 9 – 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm, & 6:00 pm (Game Time)
Monday, March 10 – 4:00 pm 6:00 PM & 8:00 PM (Game Time)

At Mennen Arena

Non-Public State Group quarterfinals: Friday, March 7 – Double-header – 6:00 PM & 8:00 PM (Game Time)
Saturday, March 8 – Double-header – 3:00 PM & 5:00 PM (Game Time)

At Codey Arena

Public & Non-Public State semi-Finals: Saturday, March 15 – Three games: 2:00 PM, 5:00 PM, 8:00 PM.
Sunday, March 16 – Three games: 2:00 PM, 5:00 PM, 8:00 PM.

At Mennen Arena

Public & Non-Public Finals: Saturday, March 22 – Three games 2:00 Public B, 5:00 Public A, Non-Public; 8:00
At Prudential Center

SITES

Sites for the preliminary, first, and second round games will be at the higher seeded school's arena and they must obtain ice time for these games played prior to the State Group quarterfinals. Should the higher seeded team be unable to engage an arena, the visiting team will become the home team and assume all corresponding responsibilities. Sites for all games starting with State Group quarterfinals will be arranged by the NJSIAA.

STARTING TIME - Games may not start later than 8:00 PM unless approved by the NJSIAA.

WARM UP TIME – Ten (10) minutes on time clock for all state tournament games. The home team must notify the visiting team, at least one day in advance, when they are allowed on the ice prior to the start of the game.

OFFICIALS

All officials for all games will be assigned by the NJSIAA and registered with the Association. For games prior to the State Group quarterfinals, each official will receive the area agreed upon fee and will be paid by the host school. Two Goal Judges @ \$40.00 will be assigned starting with the State Group Semifinals in addition to two (2) Penalty Box Officials @ \$40.00. Fees for the State Group quarterfinals (\$75.00), the State Group semifinals (\$80.00), and the State Championship game (\$90.00) will be paid by NJSIAA.

RULES: All NJSIAA tournament games will be conducted under the 2007/2008 National Federation Ice Hockey Rules with NJSIAA modifications. The ten (10) goal rule will be in effect for all games; *i.e.* National Federation Ice Hockey Rules, Rule 6. Section 37: Note: During the regular season and the NJSIAA tournament, a game will be terminated after two (2) periods or during the third (3rd) period when a team leads the opposing team by ten (10) or more goals (page 47).

TIE-BREAKER

In case of a tie score at the end of the third (3rd) period, the tie-breaker, as outlined in the National Federation Ice Hockey Rules, Rule 6, Section 38, will be in effect. The penalty shot procedure of Rule 4, Section 7 will be in effect as applicable. For all games up to and including the State Group Championship game, if no score is made in those **fifteen (15) minutes sudden death**, the team to advance will be decided by the following penalty shot procedure:

- a. Each coach will present a list of ten (10) players to the official and the attempts will be taken in the order listed. The team making the first attempt will be decided by a coin toss.
- b. The first five (5) players listed for each team will alternate attempts and that team scoring the most goals will advance. If the score remains tied:
- c. The last five (5) players listed for each team will attempt sudden-death penalty shots on a paired basis. This procedure will continue until the tie is broken. If necessary, the original list of ten (10) players will again begin taking penalty shots until the tie is broken.

NOTE: In case of a tie score at the end of the third (3rd) period of the final state tournament game, one (1) fifteen (15) minute sudden-death overtime period will be played. If a tie score remains at the end of the overtime period, the teams will be declared Co-Champions.

DISQUALIFICATION (Ineligible Player)

Participation by an ineligible player in any game during the regular season results in forfeiture of that game. If such forfeit(s) would have caused the school's failure to qualify for the tournament (Championship) or if an ineligible player participates in a tournament game, said school will be disqualified from the tournament (Championship) immediately and their last opponent will advance in their place; schools eliminated prior to the last opponent will not re-enter tournament (Championship) competition.

PROTESTS: Protests based upon an official's judgment, or misinterpretation, or misapplication of the playing rules will not be honored as per NJSIAA Bylaws, Article VII, Section 1.

ATHLETIC EMERGENCY PROCEDURE

Each school participating in the tournament will provide for the care and treatment of their athletes within the school's policy as in effect during the regular season. When games are scheduled at predetermined sites, schools should not assume that the home school trainer will be available, and should therefore, prepare for the care of their athletes. NJSIAA may assign athletic trainers for state final events to assist with emergency situations.

The athletic emergency procedure of the host school will be in effect during the tournament which should include the establishment of a line of communication for emergent situations.

ATTENTION: Principals, Athletic Directors, All Coaches and Officials

RE: Recommended Precautions Against The Transmission of Blood-Borne Pathogens

All member schools must provide all coaches with the contents of the NJSIAA Infectious Disease Policy.

The Infectious Disease Policy provides that:

If an individual gets someone else's blood on his/her skin, protective gloves should be worn to wipe the blood off with a disposable towel using soap and water.

Note: If any blood gets on an opponent's uniform during competition or a teammate's uniform during practice, it is not necessary to clean the uniform at that point unless the opponent or teammate has an open cut or unskinned area, or the blood is on a part of the uniform which might come in contact with mucous membranes. If the student-athlete does have an open cut or unskinned area or believes the blood might come in contact with mucous membranes, then the uniform should be wiped with soap and water.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES/ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES

Players and coaches involved with alcoholic beverages and/or illegal substances before, during or after the game, at the game site or on school property, including chartered busses, shall be suspended from NJSIAA tournament play for one year and be denied any championship rights.

This action was taken in support of the fact that such actions concerning alcoholic beverages and illegal substances are in violation of New Jersey State statutes and will be strictly enforced.

Bands/Banners/Noisemakers/Camcorders

The Committee approved the inclusion of the following in the tournament regulations:

1. Videotaping - Rules and Regulations - Rule 2 Section 15 Video Taping and Filming. Electronic Communication equipment, including but not limited to computer, film, television and video tape, may not be used for coaching purposes during the game or between periods. This equipment must be hand held (no tripods) at seat location - failure to comply will result in equipment being removed from the premises.
2. Because of the indoor crowded conditions, no bands or instruments will be admitted and all mechanical noise-making devices shall be excluded from the arenas. PLEASE NOTIFY YOUR STUDENT BODY OF THIS REGULATION. Bands are permitted for any games played at the Prudential Center.
3. Under no conditions will signs, banners, or posters be permitted to be hung in any manner in the arenas during the course of the NJSIAA Tournament games except those of a permanent, wholesome nature. Game Site Managers will be instructed to rigidly enforce this regulation.

SALES/SOLICITATIONS

Only NJSIAA promotional items will be sold at NJSIAA sponsored events. For the 2007/2008 seasons, First Division is the designated vendor.

Solicitations, sale of publications or products, or similar activities are NOT permitted without prior authorization from the NJSIAA.

The New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association is the sponsoring association for all levels of State Tournament/Championships. The NJSIAA reserves all rights in regard to the management of these Tournaments/Championships and the sale of any item and any audio-visual reproductions. Any sale or distribution of clothing, souvenirs or any other items is strictly forbidden without the permission of the NJSIAA.

TRANSPORTATION/SUPERVISION

1. PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPERVISING ALL GAMES. The Supreme Court of New Jersey has ruled that a member school is responsible for the conduct of their spectators. Each school must provide at least five (5) crowd control supervisors who must report to the site manager prior to the game and who will be paid by the participating schools. These crowd control supervisors will be granted free admission to the site.
2. EACH SCHOOL WILL PAY THEIR TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES FOR ALL GAMES.

WITHDRAWING FROM TOURNAMENT

Any member school and/or student-athlete withdrawing from competition after having officially entered an NJSIAA tournament in any sport will be disqualified from all remaining NJSIAA tournament competition in that sport in that season and barred from participating in NJSIAA tournament competition in that sport during the next school year unless truly extraordinary circumstances were present. (Rules and Regulations, Rule 2, Section 17)

Note: SCHOOLS NOT WILLING OR ABLE TO COMPLY WITH TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS SHOULD NOT ENTER THE TOURNAMENT.

AWARDS: A team trophy and twenty (20) team certificates and one (1) school certificate will be awarded to the State Champion.

ADMISSION

Preliminary , First & Second Round Games

Adults	\$6.00
Students (K-12) & Senior Citizens	\$3.00

State Group Quarterfinals and Semi-Finals

Adults	\$7.00
Students (K-12) & Senior Citizens	\$4.00

ALL TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE GATE. SCHOOLS MUST INFORM THEIR STUDENTS AND LOCAL NEWS MEDIA OF THE ADMISSION POLICY.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPERVISORY PERSONNEL OF COMPETING SCHOOLS WILL BE ADMITTED BY IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES TO THE GATE PERSONS.

State Public and Non-Public Finals (March 22, 2008 at Prudential Center)

Adults	\$10.00
Students (K-12) & Senior Citizens	\$ 5.00

ADMISSION PROCEDURES TO THE Prudential Center TO BE ANNOUNCED.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO SITE MANAGERS (FOR GAMES PRIOR TO THE STATE GROUP QUARTERFINALS)

SITE MANAGER - Athletic Director of higher seeded team or designee, **NOT** the Rink Manager. The NJSIAA Tournament Director will be the Site Manager starting with the State Group quarterfinals.

The Athletic Director of the higher seeded team shall be primarily responsible for the following:

1. Securing ice time.
2. Notifying opposing school of site, date, and time. The home team must notify the visiting team, at least one day in advance, when they are allowed on the ice for warm-up prior to the start of the game.
3. Notifying Tournament Director regarding date and time of game, and **OUTCOME**.
4. For the first three rounds, schools will use their own tickets.
- **5. Request officials through the NJSIAA Assignor, Paul McInnis (Home Phone 973-992-7613; as soon as the date, site and time are determined.) **
6. Site Manager must contact Rink Manager and confirm all of the following:

*If admission is charged

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| a. Employees | *e. Ticket Takers |
| b. Clock Operator | f. Crowd Control - Schools will be held |
| c. Scorer/Announcer | responsible for their spectators and |
| *d. Cashier | cheer group's conduct. |

ATTENTION:

FOR ALL GAMES PRIOR TO THE STATE GROUP SEMIFINALS, THE DECISION TO CHARGE ADMISSION FOR THE PRELIMINARIES RESTS WITH THE HOST (HIGHER-SEEDED) SCHOOL. THE HOST SCHOOL WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL EXPENSES, INCLUDING ICE TIME, OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL ASSIGNED FOR THE GAME, INCLUDING POLICE. IF ANY PROFIT REMAINS, IT WILL BE SHARED BY THE COMPETING SCHOOLS.

EACH SCHOOL WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT FOR THEIR SCHOOL=S MANDATED SUPERVISION PERSONNEL [FIVE (5)] EACH SCHOOL) AND THEIR OWN TRANSPORTATION.

Television Broadcasting

- A. The NJSIAA has granted to *The Star-Ledger* and NJ.com the exclusive rights to create, distribute and license programming in connection with NJSIAA tournaments (and NJSIAA sporting events, to the extent the NJSIAA controls or otherwise has authority to grant such rights with regard to NJSIAA sporting events) in all media currently existing or yet to be developed. This includes, without limitation, network and cable television broadcast, pay-per-view television, radio, webcasting, podcasting, distribution over wireless telephone networks, optical media including DVD, and print publications. The foregoing shall not be interpreted to restrict NJSIAA member schools from producing print publications (i.e. programs, or similar) for distribution on school property during the regular season NJSIAA sports events, or to restrict the NJSIAA from producing print publications (i.e. programs, or similar) for distribution during post-season NJSIAA tournaments.
- B. Any third party seeking to create, distribute or otherwise exploit programming in connection with the NJSIAA sporting events in any media will be directed to *The Star-Ledger* and NJ.com, as applicable, by the NJSIAA or the applicable member school. *The Star-Ledger* and NJ.com shall have the right to enter into license arrangements with such third parties.
- C. *The Star-Ledger* and NJ.com may create NJSIAA programming for distribution over media outlets owned or controlled by Advance Publications.
- D. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, including but not limited to Sections A and B above, NJSIAA member schools may broadcast regular season (but not playoff, post-season tournament, or championship) athletic contests involving such schools' own teams or athletes, without charging any fee to any viewer or other third party, on such schools' own commercial-free television networks, their own commercial-free websites, or on commercial-free public access television channels (provided that any agreement between an NJSIAA member school and a commercial-free public access television channel does not permit sublicense or other use of the telecast).

2008 NJSIAA/NEW JERSEY DEVILS ICE HOCKEY TOURNAMENT ROSTER FORM

TO THE ICE HOCKEY COACH: RETAIN A COPY OF THIS FORM TO BE USED FOR ADMISSION AT YOUR GAME SITE. FORWARD THIS FORM AS NOTED BELOW.

On the lines below, list the playing roster of your team. Changes to this list may be made on the day of the game; however, the scorekeeper must be notified. No more than twenty-six (26) players may be listed and twenty (20) in uniform for the game.

PRINT OR TYPE (NEEDED FOR SOUVENIR PROGRAM)

*LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	JERSEY #	*LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	JERSEY #
1.			14.		
2.			15.		
3.			16.		
4.			17.		
5.			18.		
6.			19.		
7.			20.		
8.			21.		
9.			22.		
10.			23.		
11.			24.		
12.			25.		
13.			26.		

***Potential alternates to be listed as well.** Colors of your jerseys. **Each School must have two (2) sets of jerseys.**

1st SET _____ 2nd SET _____

Schools must agree on jerseys to be worn the day prior to the game. Any disagreement will be resolved by the Tournament Director.

SCHOOL _____

Please list below the full (FIRST and Last) names of the following:

Assistant Coaches	Trainers	Managers	Statisticians

STAMPED SIGNATURES NOT ACCEPTABLE

 (PRINCIPAL'S SIGNATURE)

 (ATHLETIC DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE)

 (HEAD COACH'S SIGNATURE)

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 SCHOOL PHONE HOME PHONE

RETURN WITH ENTRY TO: Paul McInnis, Tournament Director, 6 Fellswood Drive, Livingston, NJ 07039

2007 - 2008 Ice Hockey Group Classification

Group A (1050 - 2523)

<u>School</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>
Bayonne	1830
Brick Memorial	1431
Brick Township	1199
Bridgewater-Raritan	1990
Clifton	2523
East Side Newark	1178
Edison	1504
Fair Lawn	1114
Hackensack	1246
Hamilton East	1235
Hightstown	1050
Hillsborough	1767
Hunterdon Central	
Jackson	1828
Livingston	1237
Middletown North	1231
Middletown South	1082
Monroe	1075
Montclair	1475
Montgomery	1211
Morris Knolls	1195
Morristown	1068
Old Bridge	2294
Paramus	1064
Pascack Valley/Pascack Hills	1338
Pt Pleasant Boro/Pt Pleasant Beach	1114
Randolph	1258
Ridge	1166
Ridgewood	1236
River Dell/New Milford	1153
Roxbury	1123
Scotch Plains-Fanwood	1107
South Brunswick	1969
Southern Regional	1736
Stevens, John P.	1664
Tenafly/Cresskill	1148
Toms River East	1363
Toms River North	1691
Toms River South	1159
Vernon	1333
Watchung Hills	1461
Wayne Hills	1075
Wayne Valley	1051
West Milford	1061
West Orange	1476
West Windsor-Plainsboro South	1214
Westfield	1338
Whippany Park/Hanover Park	1124
Woodbridge	1381

Group B (361 -1038)

<u>School</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>
Bernards	575
Chatham	683
Cranford	854
Dayton, Jonathan/Brearley	749
Ewing	803
Glen Rock	537
Governor Livingston	756
Hackettstown	746
Hamilton North	1010
Hamilton West	1013
High Point	1030
Hopewell Valley	876
Indian Hills	734
Jefferson	813
Johnson, Arthur L.	639
Kennedy, J.F. Iselin	854
Kinnelon	496
Lakeland	865
Lawrence	981
Madison Boro	597
Mahwah	693
Manasquan	750
Millburn	973
Montville	903
Morris Hills	865
Mount Olive	1022
Mountain Lakes	520
Newton	633
Northern Highlands	958
Northern Valley Demarest	885
Northern Valley Old Tappan	939
Nutley	1019
Parsippany	740
Parsippany Hills	927
Passaic Valley	1005
Pequannock	590
Princeton	961
Ramapo	981
Ramsey	646
Red Bank Regional	837
Robbinsville	361
Rumson-Fair Haven	722
Summit	748
Verona/Glen Ridge	794
Wall	1001
West Essex	796
West Morris Central	982
West Morris Mendham	920
West Windsor-Plainsboro North	1038