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Section I

History

In its 26th year of excellence on and off the field, the Centennial Conference is one of the nation's elite small college conferences.

On June 4, 1981, Keith Spalding, president of Franklin & Marshall College, made the announcement that "eight private colleges found it timely and appropriate to form a round-robin football schedule among institutions with similar attitudes and practices in intercollegiate football competition." With that statement, the Centennial Conference was born.

From 1983-92, the eight private colleges - Dickinson College, Franklin & Marshall College, Gettysburg College, Johns Hopkins University, Muhlenberg College, Swarthmore College, Ursinus College and Western Maryland (now McDaniel) College - participated in a football-only conference. Because of the success in operating the Centennial Football Conference, the presidents began to study the feasibility of an all-sports conference early in 1991. The presidents received a positive report from an ad hoc committee in March 1992, which also recommended that Bryn Mawr College, Haverford College and Washington College be invited to join as charter members.

On April 29, 1992, Gordon A. Haaland, president of Gettysburg College and acting chairman of the committee of the original eight presidents, announced the expansion of the Conference to an all-sports conference. He also announced that Bryn Mawr, Haverford and Washington had accepted the invitations to become charter members.

A purpose and mission statement adopted by the presidents stated, "recognizing that our fundamental purpose is the academic mission of institutions, we agree to establish an all-sports conference in the spirit of rationalizing our competition by controlling travel, schedule and costs. The Conference will be controlled by the presidents of the member institutions."

The Centennial Conference encourages athletic competition among national liberal arts colleges and universities that share similar academic aspirations and a commitment to the importance of the total educational experience of students engaged in sports. Intercollegiate athletics programs are an integral part of the life of the member institutions and flow from their educational objectives. Each institution provides a comprehensive, broad-based athletics program. All varsity sports are treated equitably, and every sport is important.

The Centennial Conference crowns champions in 24 sports and continues to sponsor intercollegiate programs of national prominence for women and men. Soccer, basketball, lacrosse and track and field are just four of the sports in which Centennial schools have been synonymous with national excellence. On the average, Centennial members boast of 21 varsity teams per campus, which is well above the national norm.

An early morning workout on the Schuylkill River for Bryn Mawr's crews; the nine Conference football titles won by Dickinson; the beauty of Franklin & Marshall's aquatic center; the historic battlefield surrounding Gettysburg's athletic facilities; the speed, stamina and strength of Haverford's cross country/track teams; events at Johns Hopkins' storied Homewood Field; the scenic beauty of a fall football afternoon on The Hill at McDaniel; basketball games at Muhlenberg's famed Memorial Hall; the traditional excellence of Swarthmore's tennis teams; the history of Ursinus' women's programs; the tradition and excitement surrounding Washington College lacrosse. These are just some of the elements that have helped the Centennial Conference foster a wonderful, rare spirit of competition, excellence and camaraderie for athletes, spectators, and alumni.

In 2017-2018, Centennial teams and individuals qualified for national Division III championship competition in all 24 sports. The Conference has had 14 teams win NCAA titles - Washington College men's lacrosse (1998) and men's tennis (1994, 1997), Ursinus College field hockey (2006), Franklin & Marshall College (2007, 2009) and Gettysburg College (2011-17-18) women's lacrosse teams and Johns Hopkins women’s cross country team (2012-2013-14-16-17). Fifty-two students earned All-America recognition, including five who were selected to the first team.

The Centennial Conference is also equally proud of its student-athletes' accomplishments in the classroom. In 2017-18, 13 athletes were named to the CoSIDA Academic All-America teams, including one first-team selection.

Centennial Conference Presidents

Bryn Mawr

Mary Patterson McPherson, 1978-97

Nancy J. Vickers, 1997-2008

Jane Dammen McAuliffe, 2008-13

Kimberly Wright Cassidy, 2013-

Dickinson

A. Lee Fritschler, 1987-99

William G. Durden, 1999-2013

Nancy A. Roseman, 2013-16

Neil B. Weissman (interim), 2016-17

Margee Ensign, 2017-

Franklin & Marshall

A. Richard Kneedler, 1988-2002

John A. Fry, 2002-10

John F. Burness (interim), 2010-11

Daniel R. Porterfield, 2011-18

Eric Noll (interim), 2018

Barbara Altmann, 2018-

Gettysburg

Gordon A. Haaland, 1990-2004

Katherine Haley Will, 2005-08

Janet Morgan Riggs, 2008-

Haverford

Tom G. Kessinger, 1988-96

Robert M. Gavin, Jr. (interim), 1996-97

Thomas R. Tritton, 1997-2007

Stephen G. Emerson, 2007-11

Joanne V. Creighton (interim), 2011-13

Daniel H. Weiss, 2013-15

Kimberly Benston, 2015-

Johns Hopkins

William C. Richardson, 1990-95

Daniel Nathans (interim), 1995-96

William R. Brody, 1996-2008

Ronald J. Daniels, 2009-

McDaniel

Robert H. Chambers, 1984-2000

Joan Develin Coley, 2000-10

Roger N. Casey, 2010-

Muhlenberg

Arthur R. Taylor, 1992-2002

James B. Steffy (acting), 2002-03

Peyton R. Helm, 2003-15

John I. Williams Jr., 2015-

Swarthmore

Alfred H. Bloom, 1992-09

Rebecca S. Chopp, 2009-14

Constance Hungerford (interim), 2014-15

Valerie Smith, 2015-

Ursinus

Richard P. Richter, 1976-94

John Strassburger, 1995-2010

John E.F. Corson (interim), 2010-11

Bobby Fong, 2011-14

Lucien T. Winegar, 2014-15 (interim)

S. Brock Blomberg, 2015-

Washington

Charles H. Trout, 1990-95

John S. Toll, 1995-2004

L. Baird Tipson, 2004-10

Mitchell B. Reiss, 2010-14

Jack S. Griswold (interim), 2014-15

Sheila C. Bair, 2015-17

Kurt M. Landgraf, 2017-

# Presidents Council chairs

1993: Richard Kneedler, Franklin & Marshall

1994: Lee Fritschler, Dickinson

1995: Ross Jones, Johns Hopkins

1996: Gordon Haaland, Gettysburg

1997: John Toll, Washington College

1998: Al Bloom, Swarthmore

1999: Bob Chambers, McDaniel

2000: John Strassburger, Ursinus

2001: Nancy Vickers, Bryn Mawr

2002: Arthur Taylor, Muhlenberg

2003: Tom Tritton, Haverford

2004: John Fry, Franklin & Marshall

2005: Bill Durden, Dickinson

2006: Jerry Schnydman, Johns Hopkins

2007: Kate Will, Gettysburg

2008: Baird Tipson, Washington College

2009: Joan Coley, McDaniel

2010: John Strassburger, Ursinus

2011: Jane McAuliffe, Bryn Mawr

2012: Randy Helm, Muhlenberg

2013: Rebecca Chopp, Swarthmore

2014: Jerry Schnydman, Johns Hopkins

2015: Dan Weiss, Haverford

2016-17: Dan Porterfield, Franklin & Marshall

2018-19: Janet Riggs, Gettysburg

Centennial Conference Executive Directors

Steven F. Ulrich, 1993-present

Mission Statement

The purpose of the Centennial Conference is to provide for athletic competition among institutions that share high academic aspirations and are committed to the importance of the total educational experience for students engaged in sports.

The Conference comprises independent institutions whose missions and curricula are predominantly in the tradition of liberal education. The member institutions share an educational culture that seeks to foster academic excellence. Intercollegiate athletic programs are an integral part of the life of member institutions and complement their educational objectives. Each institution provides a comprehensive, broad-based athletics program, available to all students.

The member institutions believe the benefits of athletics participation provide significant value to the educational experience. Athletics can and should promote life skills including fair play, respect, preparation, teamwork, leadership and sportsmanship. Within an atmosphere of integrity and mutual trust, the member institutions pledge their commitment to the purpose and mission of the Conference.

In the pursuit of our primary mission, Centennial Conference members commit to the following core values:

* Students participating in intercollegiate athletics should reflect the academic qualities of the student body as a whole, reflecting the enduring value of competition with the serious engagement of academic achievement.
* Our intercollegiate athletics programs reflect our institutions’ commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion.
* Institutions place special importance on the impact of athletics on the participants rather than on spectators, and place greater emphasis on the internal constituency than on the general public and its entertainment needs.
* Institutions provide their students with the resources and opportunities to excel in the classroom, as well as providing their athletes with the resources and opportunities to excel and compete on a Conference and national level.
* Coaches and administrators are respected as educators for their unwavering commitment to the quality of the experience for students engaged in athletics.

In the pursuit of our primary mission and in keeping with our core values, the Centennial Conference follows these operating principles:

* The supervision and oversight of the athletics program is vested in the president of each institution. Athletic administrators are charged with the day-to-day operation of the program.
* Intercollegiate athletic policy is guided by and reflective of the primacy of each institution's academic mission.
* The Centennial Conference enables member institutions to maintain athletic perspective through cooperation on travel, schedules and regulatory policies.
* The length of the playing season is designed to support the proper balance of academic and athletic opportunities, the proper allocation of resources, and student involvement in all facets of collegiate life.
* In all sports, Centennial Conference members give primary emphasis to in-season competition, while allowing programs to enjoy modest out-of-season practice schedules.
* The members look primarily within the Centennial Conference for standards of competitive excellence and, for most sports, measure performance in competition with each other and with other DIII institutions known for academic excellence.
* Each member school should value a balance of competitive success within the Conference. Although schools may differ in those sports in which they excel, a reasonable competitive balance among institutions over time over all sports should be sought.

*Revised 5/30/14*

Division III Philosophy

Colleges and universities in Division III place highest priority on the overall quality of the educational experience and on the successful completion of all students' academic programs. They seek to establish and maintain an environment in which a student-athlete's athletics activities are conducted as an integral part of the student-athlete's educational experience, and in which coaches play a significant role as educators. They also seek to establish and maintain an environment that values cultural diversity and gender equity among their student-athletes and athletics staff.

To achieve this end, Division III institutions:

(a) Expect that institutional presidents and chancellors have the ultimate responsibility and final authority for the conduct of the intercollegiate athletics program at the institutional, conference and national governance levels. *(Adopted 1/16/10)*

(b) Place special importance on the impact of athletics on the participants rather than on the spectators and place greater emphasis on the internal constituency (students, alumni, institutional personnel) than on the general public and its entertainment needs;

(c) Shall not award financial aid to any student on the basis of athletics leadership, ability, participation or performance;   
*(Revised 7/24/07)*

(d) Primarily focus on intercollegiate athletics as a four-year, undergraduate experience; *(Adopted 1/14/12)*

(e) Encourage the development of sportsmanship and positive societal attitudes in all constituents, including student-athletes, coaches, administrative personnel and spectators;

(f) Encourage participation by maximizing the number and variety of sport offerings for their students through broad-based athletics programs; *(Revised 1/14/12)*

(g) Assure that the actions of coaches and administrators exhibit fairness, openness and honesty in their relationships with student-athletes;

(h) Assure that athletics participants are not treated differently from other members of the student body;

(i) Assure that student-athletes are supported in their efforts to meaningfully participate in nonathletic pursuits to enhance

their overall educational experience; *(Adopted 1/14/12)*

(j) Assure that athletics programs support the institution's educational mission by financing, staffing and controlling the programs through the same general procedures as other departments of the institution. Further, the administration of an institution's athletics program (e.g., hiring, compensation, professional development, certification of coaches) should be integrated into the campus culture and educational mission; *(Revised 1/9/06)*

(k) Assure that athletics recruitment complies with established institutional policies and procedures applicable to the admission process; *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

(l) Exercise institutional and/or conference autonomy in the establishment of initial and continuing eligibility standards for student-athletes; *(Adopted 1/14/12)*

(m) Assure that academic performance of student-athletes is, at a minimum, consistent with that of the general student body;   
*(Adopted 1/9/06)*

(n) Assure that admission policies for student-athletes comply with policies and procedures applicable to the general student body; *(Adopted 1/9/06)*

(o) Provide equitable athletics opportunities for males and females and give equal emphasis to men's and women's sports;

(p) Support ethnic and gender diversity for all constituents; *(Adopted 1/12/99)*

(q) Give primary emphasis to regional in-season competition and conference championships; and

(r) Support student-athletes in their efforts to reach high levels of athletics performance, which may include competent coaching and appropriate competitive opportunities.

The purpose of the NCAA is to assist its members in developing the basis for consistent, equitable competition while minimizing infringement on the freedom of individual institutions to determine their own special objectives and programs. The above statement articulates principles that represent a commitment to Division III membership and shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division and for planning and implementation of programs by institutions and conferences.

Section II

Year-In-Review 2017-18

Sport Centennial Champion(s) Centennial Player(s) of the Year

**Baseball** Swarthmore Dan Marano, Franklin & Marshall; Alex Ross, Johns Hopkins

**Basketball (M)** Johns Hopkins Brandon Federici, Franklin & Marshall; Daniel Vila, Johns Hopkins

**Basketball (W)** Gettysburg Emily Gibbons, Haverford; Chelsea Gary, Muhlenberg

**Cross Country (M**) Haverford Henry Woods, Haverford

**Cross Country (W)** Johns Hopkins Ellie Clawson, Johns Hopkins

**Field Hockey** Franklin & Marshall Erin Coverdale, F&M; Grace Hillman, Johns Hopkins

**Football** Franklin & Marshall, Johns Hopkins Luke McFadden, Johns Hopkins; Joe Granahan, F&M

**Golf (M)** Franklin & Marshall Ben Mitchell, Franklin & Marshall

**Golf (W)** Gettysburg Alessandra Bertacche, Marymount

**Lacrosse (M)** Dickinson Kevin Mollihan, Franklin & Marshall; Mitch Wykoff, Gettysburg

**Lacrosse (W)** Gettysburg Paige Moriarty, Franklin & Marshall; Madison Schutz, Washington College

**Soccer (M)** Franklin & Marshall Patrick Santini, Gettysburg

**Soccer (W)** Swarthmore Marin McCoy, Swarthmore

**Softball** Gettysburg Taylor Harcum, Washington College; Aileen Reilly, Gettysburg

**Swimming (M)** Gettysburg Tyler Dougherty, Gettysburg

**Swimming (W)** Ursinus Sydney Gundersen, Ursinus

**Tennis (M)** Johns Hopkins Mark Fallati, Swarthmore

**Tennis (W)** Johns Hopkins Anjie Kashyap, Johns Hopkins

**Track and Field, Indoor (M)** Johns Hopkins Dylan Gearinger, Haverford; Daniel Belkin, Swarthmore

**Track and Field, Indoor (W)** Johns Hopkins Jennica Terry, Bryn Mawr; Alyssa Ward, Franklin & Marshall

**Track and Field, Outdoor (M)** Johns Hopkins Dylan Gearinger, Haverford; Zach Jacobson, Johns Hopkins

**Track and Field, Outdoor (W)** Johns Hopkins Maya Hammonds, Johns Hopkins; Alyssa Ward, Franklin & Marshall

**Volleyball** Johns Hopkins Elizabeth Wuerstle, Johns Hopkins

**Wrestling** Stevens Zach Wilhelm, Stevens

Centennial Conference Sportsmanship Award

*selected by the Conference Student-Athlete Advisory Committee*

2000 Mike Newshel, Haverford

2003 Stephanie Kreiner, Dickinson

2004 Sarah Aranoff, Franklin & Marshall

2005 Olalekan Popoola, Ursinus

2006 Dan Ortiz, Ursinus  
Amy Johnson, Bryn Mawr

2007 Glenn Cain, Gettysburg

Steph Heath, Gettysburg

2008 Michael O'Donnell, Dickinson

Carly Onkotz, Dickinson

2009 Jim Bannar, Washington

Jessica Saloky, Ursinus

2010 Brian Pepe-Mooney, Haverford

Kathy Gerhart, Washington

2011 Hailiu Yang, Haverford

Bryn Mawr basketball team

2012 Washington College men’s basketball team  
Washington College women’s basketball team

2013 Kevin Caulfield, Haverford

Katie Langan, Dickinson

2014 Reed Salmons, Dickinson  
Julia Applegate, Dickinson

McDaniel swimming teams

2015 Nick Porcelli, Franklin & Marshall

Casey Merbler, Dickinson

Dickinson baseball team

2016 Eric Caliendo, Haverford

Jessica Porter, Gettysburg

Ursinus football team

2018 Louie Carusillo, Gettysburg

Hannah Lichtenstein, Swarthmore

Stan Exeter, Ursinus

Centennial Conference Woman of the Year

*selected by the Conference Senior Woman Administrators*

2006 Amy Schmidt, Muhlenberg

2007 Aislinn Sowash, Haverford

2008 Emily Hinchcliff, Haverford

2009 Cait Mullarkey, Swarthmore

2010 Elizabeth Cannon, Ursinus

2011 Eileen O’Reilly, Franklin & Marshall

2012 Josie Ferri, Haverford

2013 Paige Messersmith, McDaniel

2014 Katie Lytle, Swarthmore

2015 Ana Bogdanovski, Johns Hopkins

Supriya Davis, Swarthmore

2016 Maria Guarisco, Franklin & Marshall

2017 Jacquelyn Creitz, Washington College

Tess Wei, Swarthmore

2018 Elizabeth Hilfrank, Gettysburg

Sarah Wallace, Swarthmore

Team Championships 1994-2018

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sport | Bryn Mawr | Dickinson | Franklin & Marshall | Gettysburg | Haverford | Johns Hopkins | McDaniel | Muhlenberg | Swarthmore | Ursinus | Washington College | Stevens |
| Baseball | - | 0 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | - |
| Basketball (M) | - | 3 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | - |
| Basketball (W) | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 0 | - |
| Cross Country (M) | - | 2 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | - |
| Cross Country (W) | 0 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | - |
| Field Hockey | 0 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 11 | 1 | - |
| Football | - | 9 | 6 | 3 | - | 12 | 7 | 9 | 2 | 2 | - | - |
| Golf (M) | - | 1 | 10 | 3 | - | 0 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 0 | - | - |
| Golf (W) | - | 0 | 0 | 9 | - | - | 7 | 2 | - | 0 | - | - |
| Lacrosse (M) | - | 4 | 1 | 15 | 1 | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | - |
| Lacrosse (W) | 0 | 0 | 7 | 11 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | - |
| Soccer (M) | - | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0 | - |
| Soccer (W) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 2 | 14 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | - |
| Softball | - | 1 | 1 | 4 | 3 | - | 7 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 1 | - |
| Swimming (M) | - | 0 | 8 | 17 | - | - | 0 | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | - |
| Swimming (W) | 0 | 0 | 3 | 14 | - | - | 0 | - | 2 | 6 | 0 | - |
| Tennis (M) | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | - |
| Tennis (W) | 0 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 1 | - |
| Track, Indoor (M) | - | 0 | 1 | 0 | 18 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | - |
| Track, Indoor (W) | 0 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | - | - |
| Track, Outdoor (M) | - | 2 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | - |
| Track, Outdoor (W) | 0 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | - | - |
| Volleyball | 0 | 0 | 6 | 11 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - |
| Wrestling | - | - | - | 0 | - | 1 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 11 | - | 4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL | 0 | 46 | 66 | 112 | 89 | 135 | 41 | 45 | 21 | 47 | 19 | 4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men | - | 22 | 40 | 45 | 65 | 67 | 18 | 22 | 6 | 20 | 16 | 4 |
| Women | 0 | 24 | 26 | 67 | 24 | 68 | 23 | 23 | 15 | 27 | 3 | 0 |

2017-18 All-Americans

*(Team where available)*

Baseball

Ricky Conti, Swarthmore (3rd)

Basketball (Men's)

Brandon Federici, Franklin & Marshall (2nd)

Basketball (Women's)

Emily Gibbons, Gettysburg (3rd)

Cross Country (Men’s)

Henry Woods, Haverford

Cross Country (Women's)

Elizabeth Hilfrank, Gettysburg

Ellie Clawson, Johns Hopkins

Natalia LaSpada, Johns Hopkins

Field Hockey

Erin Coverdale, Franklin & Marshall (1st)

Grace Hillman, Johns Hopkins (2nd)

Annie Horsley, Franklin & Marshall (3rd)

Football

Ryan Curtiss, Muhlenberg (3rd)

Lacrosse (Men's)

Dylan Maher, Dickinson (2nd)

Nate Usich, Dickinson (2nd)

Kevin Mollihan, Franklin & Marshall (2nd)

Jack Harvey, Gettysburg (2nd)

Mitch Wykoff, Gettysburg (2nd)

Ryan Campbell, Dickinson (3rd)

Cole Pellicano, Dickinson (3rd)

Lacrosse (Women's)

Paige Moriarty, Franklin & Marshall (1st)

Steph Colson, Gettysburg (1st)

Maggie Hanzsche, Franklin & Marshall (2nd)

Danielle Harrington, Franklin & Marshall (3rd)

Katie Landry, Gettysburg (3rd)

Madison Schutz, Washington College (3rd)

Soccer (Men's)

Patrick Santini, Gettysburg (1st)

Achim Younker, Johns Hopkins (2nd)

Bryan See, Johns Hopkins (3rd)

Soccer (Women's)

Michelle Santangelo, Johns Hopkins (1st)

Marin McCoy, Swarthmore (2nd)

Tennis (Men's)

Vishnu Joshi, Johns Hopkins

Track and Field, Indoor (Men)

Dylan Gearinger, Haverford

Greg Morgan, Haverford

Track and Field, Indoor (Women's)

Therese Olshanski, Johns Hopkins

Track and Field, Outdoor (Men's)

Greg Morgan, Haverford

Graham Peet, Haverford

Matthew Su, Johns Hopkins

Track and Field, Outdoor (Women's)

Ellie Clawson, Johns Hopkins

Lilly Price, Swarthmore

Wrestling

Brett Kaliner, Stevens

Troy Stanich, Stevens

Zach Wilhelm, Stevens

Academic Honors

CoSIDA Academic All-Americans

selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America, the Centennial Conference has had 310 students receive Academic All-America honors, including 61 who have been honored two or more times. The Conference has had 96 first-team Academic All-America honorees, including 16 who have earned the recognition twice. Six honorees were named the Academic All-America Team Member of the Year (\*).

Dickinson (3, 1 named to 1st team)

Lori Scheetz, Softball, 2004 (1st)

Mike Smith, Football, 2001 (2nd)

Catherine Campbell, XC/Track, 2012 (2nd)

Franklin & Marshall (37, 5)

Jen Power, Volleyball, 1996 (1st)

Jerome Maiatico, Basketball, 2000 (1st)

Hayley Rintel, Soccer, 1999 (1st)

Mark Rowand, Football, 2001 (1st)

Keith Hamilton, Track, 2002 (1st)

Jon Bushey, Football, 1996 (2nd)

Tami Videon, Lacrosse, 1996 (2nd)

Jerome Maiatico, Basketball, 1999 (2nd)

Steve Olex, Tennis, 1999 (2nd), 2000 (2nd)

Dan Warchol, Football, 1998 (2nd)

Hayley Rintel, Soccer, 1998 (2nd)

Janel Benson, Soccer, 1999 (2nd)

Keith Hamilton, Track, 2001 (2nd)

Emily Green, Volleyball, 2001 (2nd)

Dan Houseman, Football, 2003 (2nd)

Dan Eggertsson, Football, 2004 (2nd)

Ted Serro, Baseball, 2006 (2nd)

Brandon Federici, Basketball, 2017 (2nd), 2018 (2nd)

Trish Vos, Volleyball, 1993 (3rd)

Holly Levinson, Tennis, 1994 (3rd)

Jeff Smith, Track 1994 (3rd), 1995 (3rd)

Jamie Kendig, Track 1996 (3rd)

Pat Nickler, Track, 1996 (3rd)

Jamie Cardman, Volleyball, 1997 (3rd)

Steve Olex, Tennis, 1998 (3rd)

Jerome Maiatico, Basketball, 1998 (3rd)

Janel Benson, Soccer, 1998 (3rd)

Sarah Reigner, Lacrosse, 1999 (3rd)

Scott Runyon, Soccer, 2001 (3rd)

Luke Oeding, Track and Field, 2003 (3rd)

Jake Gomolinski, Track and Field, 2008 (3rd)

Becky Willert, Field Hockey, 2011 (3rd)

Nils Michaelis, Track, 2013 (3rd)

Greg Olenginski, Track, 2015 (3rd)

# Gettysburg (33, 10)

Cliff Mason, Football, 2002 (1st)

Molly Gale, Softball, 2004 (1st), 2005 (1st)

Megan Pilarcik, Softball, 2005 (1st)

Chase Stewart, Lacrosse, 2006 (1st)

Kerrin Epstein, Track, 2010 (1st)

Tim Kurpis, Lacrosse, 2010 (1st)

Andrew Bellis, Soccer, 2013 (1st)

Cordell Boggs, Football, 2016 (1st)

Connor Tom, Baseball, 2016 (3rd), 2017 (1st)

Molly Bauer, Soccer, 2003 (2nd), 2004 (2nd)

Chase Stewart, Lacrosse, 2005 (2nd)

Joe Bonyai, Baseball, 2007 (2nd)

Nicole Ditillo, Lacrosse, 2009 (2nd), 2010 (2nd)

Kerrin Epstein, Track, 2009 (2nd)

Tyler Kreitz, Track, 2009 (2nd)

Tim Kurpis, Lacrosse, 2009 (2nd)

Larry DelViscio, Football, 2011 (2nd)

Adrienne Rahs, Softball, 2012 (2nd)

Brad Wiseman, Track, 2013 (2nd)

Devin Geiman, Soccer, 2013 (2nd)

Elizabeth Hilfrank, XC/Track, 2018 (2nd)

Julia Girman, Soccer, 2002 (3rd)

Molly Gale, Softball, 2003 (3rd)

Greg Cumming, Track, 2008 (3rd)

Andrew Bellis, Soccer, 2012 (3rd)

Brad Wiseman, Track, 2012 (3rd)

Kodie McNamara, Football, 2015 (2nd)

Luke Lawrence, Baseball, 2016 (3rd)

Haverford (15, 5)

Sam Floyd, Cross Country, 1998 (1st)

Asa Hopkins, Fencing, 2000 (1st), 2001 (1st)

Grant Scott, Track, 2006 (1st)

Sam Yarosh, Soccer, 2015 (1st)

Ian Pitha-Rowe, Lacrosse, 1999 (2nd)

Peter Rook, Track, 2002 (2nd)

Dylan Gearinger, XC/Track, 2018 (2nd)

Jim Mangan, Cross Country, 1997 (3rd)

Dave Rakoff, Track, 1998 (3rd)

Shelli Frey, Track, 2001 (3rd)

Eddie Papalia, Track, 2005 (3rd)

Aislinn Sowash, Track, 2007 (3rd)

Tommy Bergjans, Baseball, 2015 (3rd)

Henry Woods, XC/Track, 2018 (3rd)

Johns Hopkins (113, 42)

Michael House, Football, 1993 (1st); 1994 (1st)

Nancy Lentz, Lacrosse, 1994 (1st)

Paul DiCamillo, Cross Country, 1997 (1st)

Devin Balkcom, Swimming, 1997, 1998 (1st)

John Christ, Baseball, 1998 (1st), 1999 (1st)

Todd Flannery, Baseball, 1998 (1st)

Chris Baugh, Football, 1998 (1st)

Lindsay Collins, Swimming, 2001 (1st)

Zaman Mirzadeh, Water Polo, 2001 (1st)

David Lofthus, Swimming, 2003 (1st)

Kathy Darling, Track, 2003 (1st\*)

Rob Morrison, Baseball, 2004 (1st)

Evan Earnest, Football, 2006 (1st)

Rob Pietroforte, Baseball, 2008 (1st)

John Kegelman, Swimming, 2009 (1st\*)

Jenn Paulucci, Soccer, 2009 (1st), 2010 (1st)

John Swarr, Baseball, 2010 (1st)

Roland Massimino, Football, 2011 (1st)

Sean Coleman, Soccer, 2011 (1st)

Pamela Kopfensteiner, Soccer, 2011 (1st)

Erica Suter, Soccer, 2011 (1st)

John Arena, Football, 2012 (1st), 2013 (1st\*)

Vincenzo Bonaddio, Football, 2013 (1st)

Ryan Zakszeski, Baseball, 2013 (1st)

Joe DiTrolio, Football, 2013 (1st)

Jonathan Hettleman, Baseball, 2014 (1st)

Anastasia Bogdanovski, Swimming, 2014 (1st),   
2015 (1st\*)

Taylor Kitayama, Swimming, 2014 (1st)

Thomas de Lyon, Swimming, 2014 (1st)

Will Kimball, Swimming, 2014 (1st)

Michael Longo, Football, 2014 (1st)

Glenn Balbus, Fencing, 2016 (1st\*)

Andrew Greenhalgh, Swimming, 2016 (1st), 2017 (1st)

Jack Campbell, Football, 2015 (2nd), 2016 (1st)

Jack Toner, Football, 2015 (2nd), 2016 (1st)

Lindsey Cheu, Track, 2016 (3rd), 2017 (1st)

Stu Markley, Football, 1993 (2nd)

Todd Ouska, Baseball, 1994 (2nd)

Jay Webber, Baseball, 1994 (2nd)

Joe Bushey, Baseball, 1995 (2nd)

Greg Roehrig, Basketball, 1998 (2nd)

David Lofthus, Swimming, 2002 (2nd)

Kathy Darling, Basketball, 2003 (2nd)

Kevin Alford, Tennis, 2003 (2nd)

Paul Longo, Football, 2003 (2nd)

Lindsey Kimura, Soccer, 2005 (2nd)

Jim Sanders, Football, 2005 (2nd)

Tyler Harris, Swimming, 2006 (2nd)

Danny Coble, Soccer, 2006 (2nd)

Tanya Gulnik, Tennis, 2007 (2nd)

Ryan Kealy, Baseball, 2008 (2nd)

Steve Levinson, Football, 2009 (2nd)

Mike Stoffel, Football, 2009 (2nd)

Christina Valerio, Track and Field (2nd)

Carolyn Warren, Tennis (2nd)

Doug Drummond, Football, 2011 (2nd)

Kale Sweeney, Football, 2011 (2nd)

Drew Holland, Soccer, 2011 (2nd)

Kristen Redsun, Soccer, 2011 (2nd)

Elizabeth Rogers, Swimming, 2012 (2nd)

Josh Baker, Cross Country, 2012 (2nd)

Vincenzo Bonaddio, Football, 2012 (2nd)

Adam Weiner, Baseball, 2013 (2nd)

Andy Hersh, Tennis, 2013 (2nd)

Maggie Shelton, Track, 2014 (2nd)

Michael Rocca, Football, 2014 (2nd)

Frances Loeb, Track, 2015 (2nd)

Andrew Greenhalgh, Swimming, 2015 (2nd)

Greg Kogut, Swimming, 2015 (2nd)

Rowan Cade, Football, 2015 (2nd)

Jake Enterlin, Baseball, 2016 (2nd)

Mike Swiercz, Soccer, 2016 (2nd)

Meg Van de Loo, Soccer, 2016 (2nd)

Cameron Little, Football, 2016 (2nd)

Emile Kuyl, Swimming, 2018 (2nd)

Todd Ouska, Baseball, 1995 (3rd)

Paul DiCamillo, Cross Country, 1996 (3rd)

Kevin Little, Fencing, 1998 (3rd), 2001 (3rd)

Tim Casale, Baseball, 2004 (3rd)

Meighan Roose, Field Hockey, 2006 (3rd)

Lindsey Kimura, Soccer, 2006 (3rd)

Blaine Phillips, Soccer, 2006 (3rd)

Matt Griffin, Basketball, 2007 (3rd)

Rob Pietroforte, Baseball, 2007 (3rd)

Johanna Chapin, Soccer, 2007 (3rd)

Jonas Fester, Baseball, 2008 (3rd)

Akash Naik, Soccer, 2008 (3rd)

Jeremy Selbst, Swimming, 2010 (3rd)

Tim McCarty, Basketball, 2011 (3rd), 2012 (3rd)

Steve Tobochnik, Track and Field, 2011 (3rd)

Nandita Krishnan, Tennis, 2012 (3rd)

Tyler Goldstein, Baseball, 2013 (3rd)

Chris Wilhelm, Baseball, 2013 (3rd)

Hannah Kronick, Soccer, 2013 (3rd), 2014 (3rd)

Hailey Hogan, Tennis, 2014 (3rd)

Frances Loeb, Track, 2014 (3rd)

George Bugarinovic, Basketball, 2015 (3rd)

Kevin Yee, Water Polo, 2016 (3rd)

Samy Ramadane, Soccer, 2016 (3rd)

Courtney Cowan, Swimming, 2018 (3rd)

Anna Wisniewski, Swimming, 2018 (3rd)

Ellie Clawson, XC/Track, 2018 (3rd)

Juniata (2, 0)

Joel Reighard, Football, 2016 (2nd), 2017 (2nd)

McDaniel (15, 6)

Sue Head, Basketball, 1994 (1st)

Jenny Stewart, Softball, 1994 (1st), 1995 (1st)

Brock Glotfelty, Wrestling, 2011 (1st)

Jessica Fry, Swimming, 2012 (1st)

Brad Brooks, Swimming, 2014 (3rd), 2016 (1st)

Paul McCord, Football, 1993 (2nd)

Julie Backof, Softball, 1997 (2nd)

Diana Rosemier, Softball, 2007 (2nd), 2008 (2nd)

Brad Brooks, Swimming, 2015 (2nd)

Steph Perez, Basketball, 2015 (2nd)

Taylor Bauman, Volleyball, 2017 (2nd)

Kathy Gaston, Lacrosse, 1996 (3rd)

Moravian (1, 1)

Nick Zambelli, Football, 2017 (1st)

Muhlenberg (45, 17)

Michael Hoffman, Football, 1990 (1st)

Joe Zeszotarski, Football, 1989 (1st)

Celina Boer, Soccer, 1998 (1st)

David Vassilaros, Soccer, 2002 (1st)

Jason Finkelstein, Track, 2006 (1st)

Jake Floyd, Football, 2009 (1st)

Bobby Torphy, Track, 2010 (1st), 2011 (1st\*)

Brittany DeAngelis, Field Hockey, 2011 (1st)

Spencer Liddic, Basketball, 2011 (1st)

Michael Baer, Track, 2012 (1st)

Tyler Bauer, Track, 2014 (1st), 2015 (1st)

Bryan Auvil, Football, 2014 (1st), 2015 (1st)

Tommy Hoffmann, Soccer, 2014 (1st)

Elizabeth Garrison, Volleyball, 2015 (2nd), 2016 (1st)

Michael Hoffman, Football, 1989 (2nd)

Joe Zeszotarski, Football, 1990 (2nd)

Tony Orazi, Football, 1998 (2nd)

Jennie Vroman, Soccer, 2001 (2nd)

Cameron Parke, Tennis, 2003 (2nd)

Matt Loesch, Wrestling, 2007 (2nd)

Jordon Grube, Football, 2007 (2nd)

John DeLuca, Football, 2008 (2nd)

Jake Floyd, Football, 2008 (2nd)

Bobby Torphy, Track, 2009 (3rd)

Spencer Liddic, Basketball, 2012 (2nd)

Michael Baer, Track, 2011 (2nd)

Alexandra Chili, Basketball, 2012 (2nd)

Tyler Bauer, Track, 2013 (2nd)

Steve Biehn, Soccer, 1993 (3rd)

Jacob Schmidt, Soccer, 1996 (3rd)

Celina Boer, Soccer, 1997 (3rd)

Steve Moore, Golf, 2001 (3rd)

David Vassilaros, Soccer, 2001 (3rd)

Justin Henning, Soccer, 2003 (3rd)

Christopher Martin, Track, 2005 (3rd)

Brittany DeAngelis, Field Hockey, 2010 (3rd)

Ashley Brewer, Softball, 2011 (3rd)

Lance Dotzman, Soccer, 2014 (3rd)

Patrick Bell, Track, 2017 (3rd)

Jaryd Flank, Track, 2017 (3rd)

Kelly Tornetta, Volleyball, 2017 (3rd)

Swarthmore (23, 9)

Danielle Duffy, Field Hockey, 1997 (1st)

Mark Friedberg, Swimming, 1998 (1st)

Reuben Heyman-Kantor, Soccer, 2005 (1st)

Kathryn Stockbower, Basketball, 2011 (1st)

David D'Annunzio, Soccer, 2011 (1st)

Peter Maxted, Soccer, 2012 (1st)

Michael Superdock, Soccer, 2013, 2014 (1st)

Katie Jo McMenamin, Track, 2016 (1st)

Marc Jeuland, Track, 2001 (2nd)

Vernon Chaplin, Track, 2007 (2nd)

Caitlin Mullarkey, Track, 2009 (2nd)

Rachel Wallwork, Tennis, 2010 (2nd)

Micah Rose, Soccer, 2011 (2nd)

Rebecca Hammond, XC/Track, 2013 (2nd)

Katie Lytle, Basketball, 2014 (2nd)

Heather Kile, Basketball, 2002 (3rd)

Caitlin Mullarkey, Soccer, 2008 (3rd)

Kathryn Stockbower, Basketball, 2010 (3rd)

Scoop Ruxin, Baseball, 2013 (3rd)

Supriya Davis, Swimming, 2014 (3rd)

Mehra den Braven, Volleyball, 2017 (3rd)

Ursinus (16, 8)

Chuck Odgers, Football, 1986 (1st), 1987 (1st)

Nicole Kiwak, Softball, 1995 (1st), 1996 (1st)

Erin Fitzgerald, Lacrosse, 2002 (1st)

Dennis Stanton, Basketball, 2004 (1st)

Jess Furman, Gymnastics, 2007 (1st)

Shane Eachus, Football, 2011 (1st)

Ellen Cosgrove, Basketball, 1995 (2nd)

Dan Tomlinson, Baseball, 1996 (2nd)

Lori Lennon, Softball, 1996 (2nd), 1997 (2nd)

Janetta Trecroce, Softball, 1997 (2nd)

Jess Furman, Gymnastics, 2006 (2nd)

David Randolph, Baseball, 2009 (2nd)

Dan Tomlinson, Baseball, 1995 (3rd)

Washington College (7, 0)

Damian Polla, Tennis, 1996 (2nd)

Jill Schultz, Lacrosse, 1996 (2nd)

Peter Taylor, Tennis, 2004 (2nd)

Todd Green, Tennis, 2008 (3rd), 2009 (2nd)

Christyl Arrabal, Field Hockey, 2000 (3rd)

John Evans, Swimming, 2004 (3rd)

NCAA Elite 90 Recipients

The ELITE 90, an award founded by the NCAA, recognizes the true essence of the student-athlete by honoring the individual who has reached the pinnacle of competition at the national championship level in his or her sport, while also achieving the highest academic standard among his or her peers. The Elite 90 is presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average participating at the finals site for each of the NCAA’s 90 championships.

2009-10

Bobby Torphy, Muhlenberg, Men’s Indoor Track and Field

Nicole Ditillo, Gettysburg, Women’s Lacrosse

2010-11

Bobby Torphy, Muhlenberg, Men’s Cross Country

Lindsay Menton, Gettysburg, Women’s Lacrosse

Carolyn Warren, Johns Hopkins, Women’s Tennis

2011-12

Nandita Krishnan, Johns Hopkins, Women's Tennis

2015-16

Megan Keenan, Ursinus, Field Hockey

Brad Brooks, McDaniel, Men’s Swimming

NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship Recipients

The Centennial Conference has had 86 students receive NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships.

Dickinson (1)

Catherine Campbell, Cross Country/Track, 2012

Franklin & Marshall (7)

Trish Vos, Volleyball, 1994

Jerome Maiatico, Basketball, 2000

Emily Green, Volleyball, 2002

Keith Hamilton, Track and Field, 2002

Luke Oeding, Track and Field, 2003

Dan Houseman, Football, 2003

Dana Johns, Basketball, 2006

# Gettysburg (10)

Cliff Mason, Football, 2002

Julia Girman, Soccer, 2002

Steve Kareha, Wrestling, 2003

John Fairhurst, Lacrosse, 2007

Jane D'Addario, Track, 2008

Tyler Kreitz, Track, 2009

Kerrin Epstein, Cross Country, 2009

Tim Kurpis, Lacrosse, 2010

Lindsay Menton, Lacrosse, 2013

Luke Lawrence, Baseball, 2016

Haverford (23)

Meredith Unger, Cross Country, 1997

Ntobeko Ntusi, Track 1998

Nathan Doty, Fencing, 1999

Rich Billings, Soccer, 2000

Robin Herlands, Hockey, 2001

Matt Popowsky, Baseball, 2001

J.B. Haglund, Cross Country, 2001

Robin Herlands, Field Hockey, 2001

Scott Sargrad, Track, 2004

Eddie Papalia, Track, 2005

Grant Scott, Cross Country, 2005

Laura Chaddock, Tennis, 2006

Emily Hinchcliff, Volleyball, 2007

Alex Buxbaum, Tennis, 2009

Andrew Lanham, Cross Country, 2010

Anders Hulleberg, Cross Country, 2010

Harper Hubbeling, Cross Country, 2010

Kevin Caulfield, Tennis, 2013

Christopher Stadler, Indoor Track, 2014

Tommy Bergjans, Baseball, 2015

Sam Yarosh, Soccer, 2015

Eric Caliendo, Lacrosse, 2016

Henry Woods, Cross Country, 2017

Johns Hopkins (24)

Tom Baugher, Football, 1992

Stu Markley, Football, 1993

Michael House, Football, 1994

Amy Dodrill, Basketball, 1995

Ann Girvin, Swimming, 1996

Brian Ronson, Swimming, 1996

Matt Gorman, Basketball, 1997

Angie Arnold, Basketball, 1998

Greg Roehrig, Basketball, 1998

John Saxe, Tennis, 1998

Larry Gulotta, Football, 1998

John Christ, Baseball, 1999

John Del Monaco, Soccer, 2000

David Lofthus, Swimming, 2003

Brian Nickel, Football, 2006

John Kegelman, Swimming, 2009

Jenn Paulucci, Soccer, 2010

John Arena, Football, 2013

Anastasia Bogdanovski, Swimming, 2015

George Bugarinovic, Basketball, 2015

Glenn Balbus, Fencing, 2016

Lindsey Cheu, Track, 2017

Andrew Greenhalgh, Swimming, 2017

Ellie Burton, Track, 2018

McDaniel (5)

Tom Lapato, Football, 1998

Brett Sweeney, Lacrosse, 2001

Jill Krebs, Cross Country, 2001

Jason Wingeart, Football, 2001

Brad Brooks, Swimming, 2016

Muhlenberg (10)

Michael Hoffman, Football, 1990

David Vassilaros, Soccer, 2002

Jason Finkelstein, Track, 2006

Amy Schmidt, Tennis, 2006

Matt Loesch, Wrestling, 2007

Nicole Washburn, Softball, 2007

Bobby Torphy, Cross Country, 2010

Michael Baer, Track and Field, 2012

Tyler Bauer, Track and Field, 2015

Jake Gordon, Wrestling, 2018

Ursinus (2)

Ellen Cosgrove, Basketball, 1995

Nicole Kiwak, Softball, 1996

Washington College (4)

Toby Wilmet, Hockey, 2001

Peter Taylor, Tennis, 2004

Tim Kerr, Lacrosse, 2006

Jimmy Kielek, Lacrosse, 2009

## Rhodes Scholarship Recipients

The Rhodes Scholarships were created by the will of British colonialist and statesman Cecil Rhodes, who died in 1902. His aim was to bring together young students with leadership potential from throughout the English-speaking world for advanced study at Oxford, personal development and exposure to cultures other than their own. He hoped, according to the Rhodes Scholarship Trust, to promote international understanding and peace. The selection criteria for Rhodes Scholars include intellectual achievement, concern for others, character, leadership potential, and "physical vigor." In all Rhodes Scholars are selected from 19 countries or regions of the world.

Haverford

Andrew Lanham, Cross Country, 2010

Johns Hopkins

Westley W. Moore, Football, 2000

Swarthmore

Caitlin E. Mullarkey, Soccer, Track and Field, 2009

Ursinus

Aakash K. Shah, Track and Field, 2010

Section III

Constitution

I. PREAMBLE

The name of this organization is the Centennial Conference.

The Centennial Conference is an association of independent institutions of higher education that share a commitment to academic achievement, equality of opportunity, and a program of competitive athletics which contributes to the broad education of their students. The Conference sponsors intercollegiate competition among its members in a variety of sports.

Reflecting the educational philosophy of the member institutions, the Conference is committed to equality for men's and women's sports in the collegiate setting and affirms the special importance of supporting the development of women leaders in sports. It ensures that athletic programs for women and men receive equivalent support at all levels.

The Conference enables member institutions to control athletic priorities through cooperation on athletic travel, schedules, and costs.

The Conference operates within the rules of the National Collegiate Athletic Association's Division III, supplemented by rules of its own that ensure that the founding philosophy of the Conference is reflected in its practices.

The Conference is governed through a structure in which the presidents of the member institutions take an active part and exercise the guiding role.

II. PURPOSE AND MISSION

The purpose of the Centennial Conference is to provide for athletic competition among institutions that share similar academic aspirations and are committed to the importance of the total educational experience for students engaged in sports.

The Conference comprises independent institutions whose student bodies are academically selective and whose missions and curricula are predominantly in the tradition of liberal education. The member institutions share an educational culture that seeks to foster academic excellence. Intercollegiate athletics programs are an integral part of the life of member institutions and complement their educational objectives. Each institution provides a comprehensive, broad-based athletics program, available to all students. All varsity sports are expected to be treated equitably.

The supervision and oversight of the athletics program is vested in the president of each institution. The day-to-day operation of the programs is conducted by the administrators of athletics.

Within an atmosphere of integrity and mutual trust, the member institutions pledge their commitment to the purpose and mission of the Conference.

III. AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended at any Annual Conference Meeting by a unanimous vote of the member institutions present.

Bylaws

I. GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

The Conference is governed by the presidents of the member institutions in a structure that provides for involvement of senior administrative officers responsible for athletics, chief academic officers or faculty representatives, directors of athletics, senior women administrators of athletics, and coaches.

The Conference meets annually. An Executive Committee functions for the Conference between annual meetings, as necessary. Administrative Delegates, made up of women and men administrators of athletics, meet three times a year. Sports committees for all Conference-sponsored sports meet once a year.

All terms of office and committee membership begin on July 1 and end as of June 30.

A. Annual Conference Meeting and Special Meetings

**1. Representation.** Each institution shall be represented by its president. The chair and past-chair of the Administrative Delegates are also invited to attend, voice without vote. *(Revised 12/16/14)*

**2. Voting.** Each institution has one vote at the Annual Conference Meeting and at all Conference meetings. Any and all votes shall be cast by each member institution’s president, preferably in person; however, voting by telephone is acceptable upon approval from the Chair. Should any president vote telephonically at two consecutive Annual Meetings, the Chair shall counsel that president appropriately. Voting by proxy shall not be permitted except as allowed by long-standing past practice for Johns Hopkins University. A motion to be approved requires a two-thirds affirmative vote of the institutions present and voting. *(Revised 6/6/01, 6/1/16)*

**3. Quorum.** The number of member institutions present at any meeting of the Conference to vote or otherwise transact business shall be no less than eight. The chair shall determine whether a quorum is present. *(Adopted 6/1/16)*

**4. Chair.** The Chair of the Conference is the president of one of the member institutions. The position of Chair of the Conference rotates among the presidents of the member institutions. The Chair serves a two-year term. The duties of the Chair include the following: *(Revised 12/16/14)*

• Chair the Annual Conference Meeting

• Chair meetings of the Presidents Council

• Attend other regular and special meetings of the Conference as required

• With the Executive Director represent the Conference at the NCAA annual meeting

• Consult with and supervise the work of the Executive Director

**5. Vice-Chair.** The Vice-Chair of the Conference is the president of one of the member institutions. The position of Vice-Chair of the Conference rotates among the presidents of the member institutions. The Vice-Chair serves a two-year term and assists the Chair with the operation of the Conference. The Vice-Chair assumes the Chair at the conclusion of the two-year term.  
*(Adopted 12/16/14)*

**6. Functions.** The functions of the Annual Conference Meeting include the following:

• Review the past year

• Set major policies

• Act upon recommendations of policy matters from the meeting of Administrative Delegates

• Approve the budget

• Approve personnel recommendations

**6. Format.** The meeting will be held on the campus of the Chair on the Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning following Memorial Day. *(Adopted 12/16/14)*

**7. Motions.** Administrative Delegates motions that do not receive Presidents Council approval may not be brought back to the Council for consideration for at least one calendar year. Only Council members may request reconsideration during the interim. *(Adopted 12/16/14)*

**8. Notice of Special Meeting.** Should a special meeting of the Conference become necessary, as determined by the Chair or Vice Chair, the Chair or Vice Chair shall provide no less than thirty (30) calendar days written notice to the member institutions. In urgent circumstances, the Presidents Council may waive the 30-day notice by a vote of the members. The Chair shall be empowered to fix the date, time, and location of the meeting. The Chair of Vice Chair shall have the authority to call a special meeting. Voting shall be per Section I.A.2 of these bylaws. *(Adopted 6/1/16)*

B. Executive Committee

**1. Membership.** The committee consists of two presidents – the Chair and Vice-Chair. *(Revised 12/16/14)*

**2. Functions.** The Executive Committee has the authority to act for the Conference with a unanimous affirmative vote of those present and voting. Its functions include the following: *(Revised 12/16/14)*

• Act on matters of major policy or of major operations that cannot be held for action at the next Annual Conference Meeting.

• Prepare a budget recommendation to the Annual Conference Meeting.

• Act on other recommendations from the Administrative Delegates or the Executive Director concerning the operation of the Conference.

• Oversee the work of the Executive Director.

• Review and adjudicate procedural concerns of the appeals process. *(Revised 6/9/04)*

• Call special meetings of the Presidents Council. *(Revised 6/6/01, 6/4/03)*

**4. Resource Persons.** The Executive Committee may invite the Chair and past chair of the Administrative Delegates to attend meetings as resource persons, voice without vote. *(Revised 12/16/14)*

**5. Replacement President.** The immediate past Chair of the Executive Committee will be a Replacement President for two years to function in place of one of the two Executive Committee members in case of her or his absence from meetings.   
*(Revised 12/16/14)*

C. Administrative Delegates

**1. Membership.** Each member institution will have two representatives, either one of which will be the Director of Athletics. In the case of a single-sex institution, one person may represent the institution as the athletics administrator. *(Revised 5/26/10)*

**2. Meetings.** The Administrative Delegates body will meet a minimum of three times per year, generally at the end of each sports season. *(Revised 12/16/14)*

**3. Functions.** The functions of the Administrative Delegates at their meetings will include the following:

• Act upon recommendations from the Representative Committees

• Recommend policy matters to the Annual Conference Meeting

• Recommend other actions to the Executive Committee

**4. Voting.** Each institution will have one vote at the Administrative Delegates meeting. A motion to be approved requires a two-thirds affirmative vote of the institutions present and voting. *(Revised 6/6/01)*

**5. Board of Delegates.** The Board of Delegates will be made up of five persons from different institutions, a Chair plus four athletics administrators, two women and two men.

• **Chair.** The Chair of the Board of Delegates will serve a one-year term as Chair. Terms for the Chair will be rotated among women and men. The Chair will chair the Board as well as the three meetings of all the delegates.

• **Function.** The Board of Delegates will prepare the agenda for the meetings of the Administrative Delegates and act for the Delegates between meetings on implementation of policy.

• **Voting.** Each institution will have one vote at the Board of Delegates meeting. A motion to be approved requires a two-thirds affirmative vote of the institutions present and voting. *(Revised 6/6/01)*

• **Other Responsibilities.** Until a code of conduct and related procedures are established by the Conference, the Board of Delegates existing at the time of an alleged violation of proper conduct at an official Conference event shall act for the Conference in reviewing the incident and determining a penalty, if any, as the Board of Delegates deems appropriate.

D. Representative Committees

**1. Structure and Function.** There will be a representative committee for each sport in which the Conference sponsors play. There will also be committee for Sports Information Directors, Equipment Staff, Student-Athletes, Faculty Athletic Representatives and Athletic Trainers. Men's and women's teams in a sport are considered separate sports for this purpose. The Representative Committees make recommendations for the conduct of its sport to the Administrative Delegates. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**2. Membership.** Each institution will have one representative on each committee governing a sport in which the institution competes in the Conference.

**3. Chair.** The Chair of a Representative Committee will be selected among the head coaches on the committee. The Chair is responsible for keeping minutes, recording votes, and submitting committee positions to the Conference Office. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**4. Liaison.** The Liaison to a Representative Committee will be selected for a one-year term from among the senior women and men athletics administrators. The Liaison will provide leadership in the meeting and serve as a dual advocate, both for the committee and the Conference. An administrator may be assigned to a representative committee whether or not the sport is played at his or her institution. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**5. Meetings.** Each committee will meet at least once a year to make recommendations to the Administrative Delegates. Additional meetings may be arranged by the Committee Chair in consultation with the Liaison and the Executive Director. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**6. Voting.** Each institution has one vote at the Representative Committee meetings. A motion to be approved requires a two-thirds affirmative vote of the institutions present and voting. The Liaison has no vote. *(Revised 6/6/01, 6/4/03)*

II. ADMINISTRATION

A. Staff. The Conference will be administered by a professional staff member titled Executive Director with support staff as needed.

B. Duties of Executive Director. The Executive Director will report to the Executive Committee and the Conference Chair and through them be responsible to the institutional members of the Conference for supporting committees.

The Executive Director additionally will be responsible for conducting public relations, developing and maintaining a conference manual and documents, budgeting, gathering and disseminating statistics, conducting office operations, overseeing scheduling, awards, maintaining relations with NCAA and other external organizations, maintaining an updated roster of the rotation on committees, and performing other related duties as assigned at the Annual Conference Meeting or by the Executive Committee of the Conference.

Subject to the guidance of the Annual Conference Meeting, the Executive Committee and the Chair, the Executive Director will articulate the purpose and mission of the Conference internally and externally.

The Executive Director will serve as a member ex officio of all Conference committees.

C. Interpretations and Appeals. The Executive Director will issue interpretations of NCAA rules in accordance with official NCAA bylaws and interpretations.

The Executive Director will issue interpretations of Centennial Conference rules in accordance with Conference bylaws or previous Centennial Conference proceedings.

* The Executive Director maintains a database of official Conference interpretations and Board of Delegates reviews these decisions at each Board of Delegates meetings.
* The Board of Delegates can alter an Executive Director interpretation/decision. Board of Delegates decisions can be retroactive provided time permits.
* Conference members should be notified of interpretations through a secure page on the conference website.
* Once the Board of Delegates either supports or alters each Executive Director interpretation, those decisions become official conference interpretations.

Member institutions may challenge any Executive Director interpretation. Challenges of Executive Director interpretations will be reviewed at the next Board of Delegates meeting or on an emergency conference call if a decision is determined to be time sensitive by the Executive Director or member institution.

* Member institutions wishing to challenge must present their case in writing to the Executive Director, including all facts and arguments relevant to the challenge. This information will be distributed to the Board of Delegates. At this stage, member institutions will not be permitted to present their case in person.
* If the challenge is determined to be "time sensitive," the written challenge must be submitted within 24 hours.
* Upon receipt of the documentation, the Executive Director will contact the affected institutions of the date and time in which the Board of Delegates will meet.
* The Executive Director will participate in this meeting; first to explain how the interpretation was reached; second to serve as an informational resource to the Board of Delegates
* Member institutions affected should be available during the duration of the meeting in case the Board of Delegates has questions.
* If the affected member institution(s) is (are) represented on the Board of Delegates, that (those) member(s) must recuse themselves.
* If all five Board of Delegates members cannot hear the appeal, alternates will be selected until five administrators are available.
* The first alternate will be an administrator whose institution serves in the position of "Replacement for the Executive Committee." (*example: 2017-18 Franklin & Marshall)*. The second alternate will be an administrator whose institution serves in the position of "Executive Chair." *(example: 2017-18 Gettysburg)*. Additional alternates will be selected following the Conference's administrative rotation. Balance will be maintained between senior male and female athletic administrators.
* Decisions are determine by majority vote. Board members must vote "Yes" or "No" on appeals. An administrator must recuse his or herself if they are unable to do so.
* Board of Delegates’ decisions and position are communicated to the affected members immediately.
* The majority decision of the Board of Delegates is final.
* Appeals to the Executive Committee may only be made on procedural concerns of the appeals process. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

III. BUDGET

The Conference operates on a budget supported by the member institutions equally. Dues contributions will be determined annually in the budget process.

IV. SCHEDULES

Conference schedules and championships will be established in sports in which at least a majority of the members plays within the Conference. A minimum of six institutions (or a simple majority) must sponsor an NCAA-recognized sport at the varsity level for the Conference to consider addition or continuation of an "official championship."

A four-year scheduling cycle will initially be established to be reviewed every second year.

A divisional scheduling structure in particular sports may be authorized at the Annual Conference Meeting, provided that all member institutions with teams in a given sport play each other at least once a season.

Newly added varsity programs are required to join the Conference scheduling rotation when affirmed by the respective sports committee and the Administrative Delegates.

V. RULES

A. NCAA Rules. The Conference is governed by the rules of the NCAA, Division III, and its own rules adopted at the Annual Conference Meeting.

B. Conference Rules. The Conference may develop further rules relating to intercollegiate athletics within the Conference, including, but not limited to the following: conduct of athletes, coaches, officials, and spectators; eligibility for participation; recruitment of students who are athletes; scheduling; staffing.

C. Rules on Information. The Conference may develop rules relating to the reporting and exchange of information on financial aid and scholarships, budgets, student demographics, and other relevant data deemed useful in pursuing the purpose of the Conference.

VI. MEMBERSHIP

A. Charter Members. The following-named charter members of the Centennial Conference subscribe to the Constitution and Bylaws as approved on June 15, 1992: Bryn Mawr College, Dickinson College, Franklin & Marshall College, Gettysburg College, Haverford College, Johns Hopkins University, Muhlenberg College, Swarthmore College, Ursinus College, Washington College, Western Maryland (now McDaniel) College.

B. New Members. A new member institution may be admitted to the Conference by a three-fourths majority and where not unanimous shall require a full year's consideration. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

C. Changes to Membership

1. Associate membership granted in the sport of wrestling to Washington and Lee University, effective, July 1, 1998.

2. Associate membership granted in the sport of wrestling to Stevens Institute of Technology, effective July 1, 2004,   
resigning effective June 30, 2019

3. Associate membership granted in the sport of wrestling to U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, effective July 1, 2004.

4. Associate membership granted in the sport of football to Juniata College, effective July 1, 2007.

5. Associate membership granted in the sport of football to Moravian College, effective July 1, 2007.

6. Associate membership granted in the sport of women's golf to Susquehanna University, effective July 1, 2009,   
resigned effective June 30, 2017.

7. Associate membership granted in the sport of football to Susquehanna University, effective July 1, 2010.

8. Associate membership granted in the sport of wrestling to New York University, effective July 1, 2011,   
resigned effective June 30, 2016.

9. Associate membership granted in the sport of women’s golf to Marymount University, effective July 1, 2017.

10. Associate membership granted in the sport of women’s golf to Neumann University, effective July 1, 2017.

D. Principles Governing Membership. The Centennial Conference members abide by the following principles that serve to unify the Conference and make it distinctive:

1. Supporting the powerful legacy of the scholar-athlete;

2. Advocating tight presidential control of all Conference affairs;

3. Being more than a century old and roughly similar in size;

4. Setting our own rules and standards independently, for the most part, of forces and institutions outside the Conference (as in, for example, such matters as the number of games our various teams will play, the viability of out-of-season practices, etc.);

5. Emphasizing in-season athletic competition;

6. Maintaining common identities that link us even beyond athletics (as, for example, in the case of the Centennial Conference Student Research Colloquium);

7. Keeping the number of Conference members relatively small;

8. Maintaining consistent and broad-based athletic programs on all Conference campuses

9. Keeping the Conference membership geographically compact;

10. Sustaining and enhancing the academic profiles of the member schools; and

11. Maintaining a commitment to full Conference participation.

E. Application Process. The Presidents Council has established the following procedure for future applications by prospective members:

1. A letter of application should be sent to the Executive Chair with a copy to the Executive Director;

2. Input on the applicant will be gathered by the Conference Office and shared with the Membership Committee;

3. The Committee will consider the application further and then forward a recommendation on admission or denial of admission to the Presidents' Council for final decision at the annual June meeting. (According to the Conference bylaws, a new member institution may be admitted to the Conference by a 3/4 majority of member institutions present and voting.)

F. Associate Membership. An associate membership may be awarded to an institution that abides by the following principles and helps the Centennial Conference members reach their goals and objectives in a particular sport(s). An associate member of the Centennial Conference is entitled to an institutional vote at the respective representative committee meeting. An associate member is not permitted an institutional vote at the Board of Delegates or the Administrative Delegates meetings, nor at the Annual Meeting of the Centennial Conference.

G. Expulsion. A member institution may be expelled from the Conference by a three-fourths majority and where not unanimous shall require a full year's consideration. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

H. Withdrawal. If an institution wishes to withdraw from the Conference in all sports:

• A letter should be sent to the chair of the Presidents Council and the Executive Director, stating the desire of the institution to terminate its Conference membership. The declaration should also state rationale and a timeline for termination.

• This correspondence should be shared with the other members of the Executive Committee, the remainder of the Presidents Council, the chair of the Administrative Delegates and the Board of Delegates.

• It is requested that an institution wishing to terminate membership give the Conference a minimum notice of one academic calendar year to ensure the completion of scheduling commitments. *Example: Notification received in April 2019 would be effective beginning September 2020. Notification in November 2018 would be effective in September 2020.*

If an institution wishes to withdraw from the Conference in a single sport:

• A letter should be sent to the chair of the Administrative Delegates and the Executive Director, stating the desire of the institution to withdraw from participation in a Conference sport. The declaration should also state rationale and a timeline for withdrawal.

• This correspondence should be shared with the Board of Delegates and the chair of the respective sports committee.

• Only requests that meet certain criteria will be considered by the Delegates. Criteria may include, but are not limited to, the following:

• Inability to field a team;

• Removal of varsity status;

• Change in NCAA divisional status.

VII. AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended at any Annual Conference Meeting by a two-thirds vote of the member institutions present and voting.

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**Date Chair/Site Vice-Chair Delegates Chair \* Delegates Past Chair \***

2019 Gettysburg # McDaniel Swarthmore Muhlenberg

2020 McDaniel Muhlenberg Johns Hopkins Swarthmore

2021 McDaniel Muhlenberg Haverford Johns Hopkins

2022 Muhlenberg Dickinson Dickinson Haverford

2023 Muhlenberg Dickinson Franklin & Marshall Dickinson

2024 Dickinson Washington College Washington College Franklin & Marshall

2025 Dickinson Washington College Gettysburg Washington College

2026 Washington College Ursinus Ursinus Gettysburg

2027 Washington College Ursinus McDaniel Ursinus

2028 Ursinus Bryn Mawr Bryn Mawr McDaniel

2029 Ursinus Bryn Mawr Muhlenberg Bryn Mawr

2030 Bryn Mawr Johns Hopkins Johns Hopkins Muhlenberg

2031 Bryn Mawr Johns Hopkins Swarthmore Johns Hopkins

2032 Johns Hopkins Swarthmore Haverford Swarthmore

2033 Johns Hopkins Swarthmore Franklin & Marshall Haverford

2034 Swarthmore Haverford Dickinson Franklin & Marshall

2035 Swarthmore Haverford Washington College Dickinson

2036 Haverford Franklin & Marshall Gettysburg Washington College

2037 Haverford Franklin & Marshall McDaniel Gettysburg

2038 Franklin & Marshall Gettysburg Ursinus McDaniel

2039 Franklin & Marshall Gettysburg Bryn Mawr Ursinus

2040 Gettysburg McDaniel Muhlenberg Bryn Mawr

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\* athletic administrators invited to Presidents Council meeting

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**Date AD/Site Assistant AD AD Assistant AD AD**

2019 Swarthmore Johns Hopkins Haverford Dickinson Franklin & Marshall

2020 Johns Hopkins Haverford Dickinson Franklin & Marshall Washington College

2021 Haverford Dickinson Franklin & Marshall Washington College Gettysburg

2022 Dickinson Franklin & Marshall Washington College Gettysburg Ursinus

2023 Franklin & Marshall Washington College Gettysburg Ursinus McDaniel

2024 Washington College Gettysburg Ursinus McDaniel Bryn Mawr

2025 Gettysburg Ursinus McDaniel Bryn Mawr Muhlenberg

2026 McDaniel Ursinus Bryn Mawr Muhlenberg Swarthmore

2027 Ursinus Bryn Mawr Muhlenberg Swarthmore Johns Hopkins

2028 Bryn Mawr Muhlenberg Swarthmore Johns Hopkins Haverford

2029 Muhlenberg Swarthmore Johns Hopkins Haverford Dickinson

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**Date AD AD AD**

2019 Gettysburg Washington College Ursinus

2020 Gettysburg Ursinus McDaniel

2021 Ursinus McDaniel Bryn Mawr

2022 McDaniel Bryn Mawr Muhlenberg

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2025 Johns Hopkins Swarthmore Haverford

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2030 Washington College Gettysburg McDaniel

2031 Gettysburg McDaniel Ursinus

2032 McDaniel Ursinus Bryn Mawr

2033 Ursinus Bryn Mawr Muhlenberg

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2037 Johns Hopkins Haverford Franklin & Marshall

2038 Haverford Franklin & Marshall Dickinson

2039 Franklin & Marshall Dickinson Gettysburg

2040 Franklin & Marshall Gettysburg Washington College

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**Date AD AD AD**

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2021 Muhlenberg Johns Hopkins Swarthmore

2022 Johns Hopkins Swarthmore Haverford

2023 Swarthmore Haverford Dickinson

2024 Haverford Dickinson Franklin & Marshall

2025 Dickinson Franklin & Marshall Washington College

2026 Franklin & Marshall Washington College Gettysburg

2027 Washington College Gettysburg McDaniel

2028 Gettysburg McDaniel Ursinus

2029 McDaniel Ursinus Bryn Mawr

2030 Ursinus Bryn Mawr Muhlenberg

2031 Bryn Mawr Muhlenberg Johns Hopkins

2032 Muhlenberg Johns Hopkins Swarthmore

2033 Johns Hopkins Swarthmore Haverford

2034 Swarthmore Haverford Franklin & Marshall

2035 Haverford Franklin & Marshall Dickinson

2036 Franklin & Marshall Dickinson Washington College

2037 Dickinson Gettysburg Washington College

2038 Gettysburg Washington College McDaniel

2039 Washington College Ursinus McDaniel

2040 Ursinus McDaniel Bryn Mawr

**Annual Conference Meeting Date and Site**

Tuesday-Wednesday, May 28-29, 2019 Gettysburg College

Tuesday-Wednesday, May 26-27, 2020 McDaniel College

**Future NCAA Convention Dates and Sites**

January 23-26, 2019 Orlando, Florida

January 22-25, 2020 Anaheim, California

January 13-16, 2021 Washington, D.C.

January 19-22, 2022 Indianapolis, Indiana

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Les Poolman, 1988-2015

Joe Giunta, 2015-2018

Joel Quattrone (interim), 2018-present

Franklin & Marshall

Bill Marshall, 1971-98

Peter Van Buskirk (interim), 1998, 2004

Bob Bunnell, 1999-2004

Tim Downes, 2005-07

Patricia Epps, 2008-present

Gettysburg

Chuck Winters, 1988-2001

David Wright, 2002-2018

Mike Mattia, 2018-present

Haverford

Greg Kannerstein, 1983-2006

John Douglas, 2007 (co)

Wendy Smith, 2007 (co), 2008-present

Johns Hopkins

Bob Scott, 1974-95

Tom Calder, 1996-2016

Alanna Shanahan, 2016-present

McDaniel

Rick Carpenter, 1984-99

Jamie Smith, 2000-2010

Paul Moyer, 2011-present

Muhlenberg

Ralph Kirchenheiter, 1984-94

Connie Kunda, 1995-96

Steve Erber, 1997-2003

Sam Beidleman, 2004-11

Corey Goff, 2012-2018

Lynn Tubman, 2018-present

Swarthmore

Bob Williams, 1987-2003

Adam Hertz, 2003-present

Ursinus

Randy Davidson, 1994-96

Bill Akin, 1997-2000

Brian Thomas, 2001-09

Laura Moliken, 2010-present

Washington College

Geoff Miller, 1987-94

Bryan Matthews, 1995-2016

Thad Moore, 2016-present

Juniata

Larry Bock, 1995-2011

Greg Curley, 2011-present

Marymount

Jamie Reynolds, 2015-present

Merchant Marine

Susan Petersen Lubow, 1990-2014

Capt. William Fell (interim), 2014-2015

Maureen White, 2015-present

Moravian

Paul Moyer, 2000-11

Scot Dapp, 2011-15

George Bright, 2015-2017

Mary Beth Spirk, 2017-present

Neumann

Chuck Sack, 2003-present

Stevens

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Sportsmanship

**The NCAA Principle of Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct**

For intercollegiate athletics to promote character development of participants, to enhance the integrity of higher education and to promote civility in society, student-athletes, coaches, and all others associated with these athletics programs and events should adhere to such fundamental values as respect, fairness, civility, honesty, and responsibility. These values should be manifest not only in athletics participation but also in the broad spectrum of activities affecting the athletics program. It is the responsibility of each institution to:

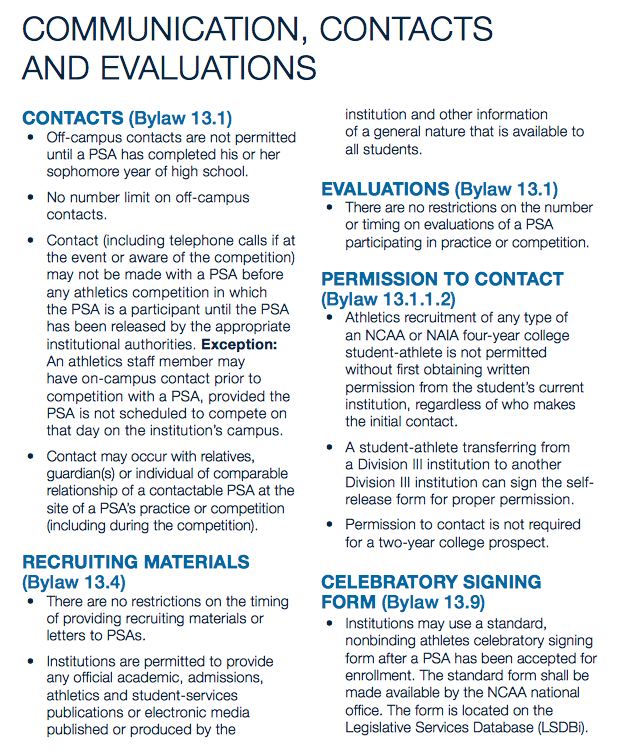
(a) Establish policies for sportsmanship and ethical conduct in intercollegiate athletics consistent with the educational mission and goals of the institution; and

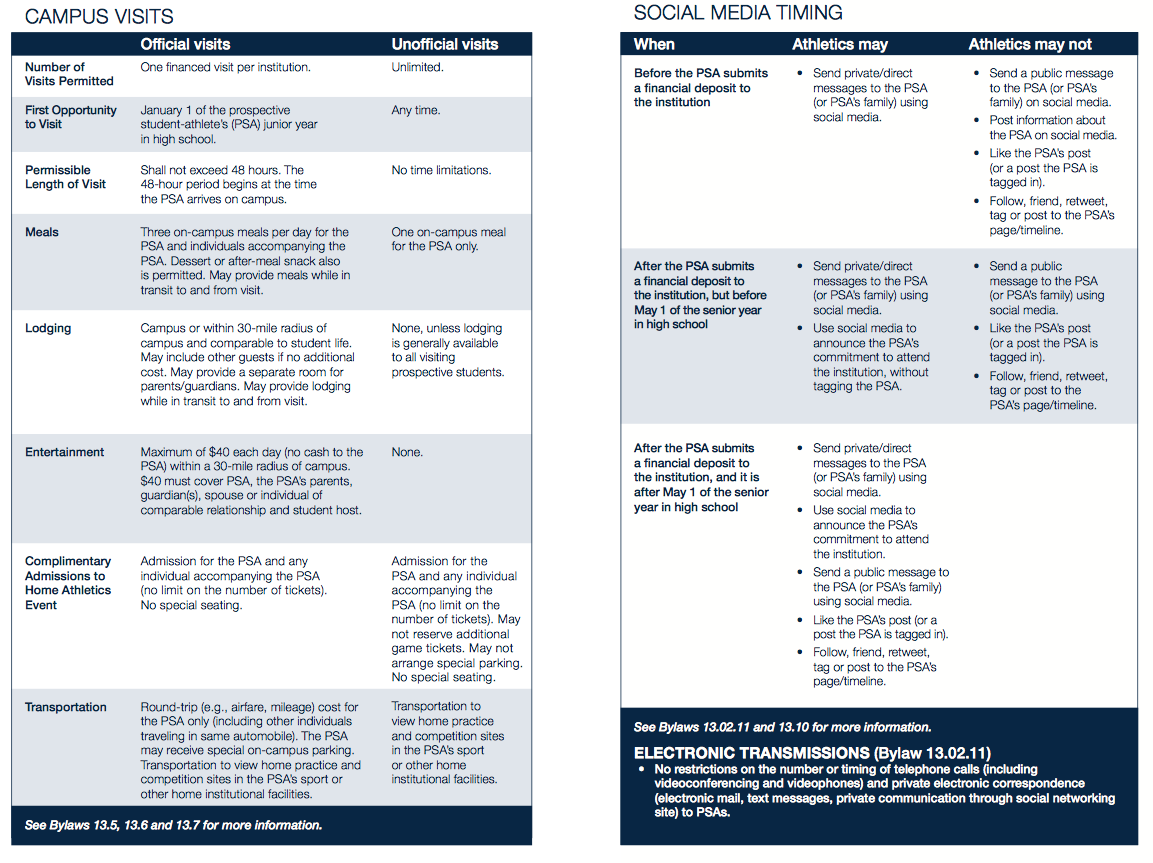
(b) Educate, on a continuing basis, all constituencies about the above policies.

The following statement should be placed in game programs and, if possible, be read over the public address system prior to the start of Conference competitions:

"The Centennial Conference promotes good sportsmanship by student-athletes, coaches and spectators. We request your cooperation by supporting the participants and officials in a positive manner. Profanity, racial or sexist comments, or other intimidating actions directed at officials, student-athletes, coaches or team representatives will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the site."

Recruiting





Celebratory Signing Form



SCHOOL LOGO

AND/OR

CONFERENCE LOGO

*(can be placed anywhere on the form)*

NCAA Division III Student-Athlete

Celebratory Signing Form

I, *(first and last name),* have been accepted to *(name of school),* an NCAA Division III institution. In addition to my academic responsibilities, I intend to participate in the sport(s) of *(name of sport(s)* during the (year) academic year.

Consistent with Division III's goal of fostering an environment where students can follow their passions and discover their potential, Division III student-athletes are encouraged to:

**DISCOVER**

Division III student-athletes are encouraged to pursue their interests and passions beyond the classroom and field of play…to discover themselves.

**DEVELOP**

Division III institutions provide an environment that encourages student-athletes to develop into well-rounded adults. Small class sizes, the ability to participate in more than one sport, and

an emphasis on participating in activities outside of the classroom are all

hallmarks of the Division III experience.

**DEDICATE**

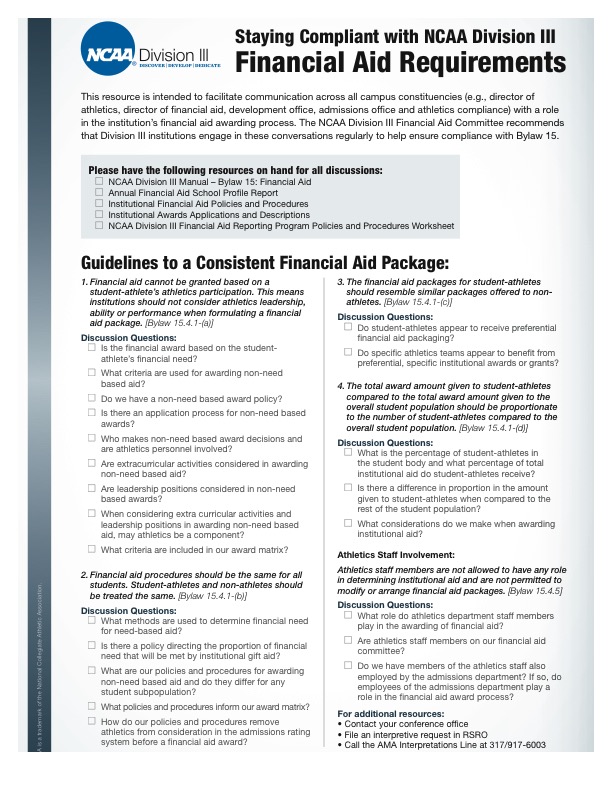
Division III institutions expect student-athletes to dedicate themselves to achieving their potential. Student-athletes must manage their busy schedules, keep up with class work and face the same challenges as the rest of the student-body.

[Optional: Insert institutional and/or athletics mission statement]

This form commemorates my choice to attend (name of institution). By signing this form, I embrace the Division III philosophy. I also understand my signature neither obligates me to attend the institution, noted above, and participate in athletics nor does it guarantee me a roster position.

Prospective Student-Athlete: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Financial Aid



Student-Athlete Eligibility

I. NCAA Rules

The Centennial Conference is governed by the rules of the NCAA, Division III, and its own rules adopted at Annual Conference Meetings. The Conference may develop further rules relating to intercollegiate athletics within the Conference, including, but not limited to the following: conduct of athletes, coaches, officials, and spectators; eligibility for participation; recruitment of students who are athletes; scheduling; staffing.

II. Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility (NCAA Bylaw 14.2.4)

Minimum Amount of Participation (14.2.4.1). A season of intercollegiate participation shall be counted in the student-athlete's sport when a student-athlete participates (practices or competes) during or after the first contest in the traditional segment following the student-athlete's initial participation of that academic year at that institution or when the student-athlete engages in intercollegiate competition during the nontraditional segment in that sport.  This provision is applicable to intercollegiate athletics participation (practice or competition) conducted by a Division III collegiate institution at the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team level.

Recognized Foreign Exchange/Study Abroad Program (NCAA Bylaw 14.1.12). A student-athlete who also participates (practices or competes) in athletics while participating in the recognized study abroad program does not use a season of participation nor is considered to have engaged in impermissible outside competition. All amateurism regulations still apply. *(Adopted 1/19/13)*

Exceptions (14.2.4.1.1). A season of participation shall not be counted:

(a) During the traditional segment when a student-athlete participates in a preseason scrimmage or preseason exhibition conducted before the first contest following the student-athlete's initial participation of that academic year at that institution;

(b) During the traditional segment when a student-athlete participates in an alumni contest conducted before the first regular-season contest following the student-athlete’s initial participation of that academic year at that institution; and   
*(Adopted 1/16/13)*

(c) In baseball, field hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball and volleyball, when a student-athlete participates (practices or competes) during the nontraditional segment.

III. Hardship Waiver (NCAA Bylaw 14.2.5)

## A student-athlete may be granted an additional year of participation by the Conference or the NCAA Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for reasons of "hardship." Hardship is defined as an incapacity resulting from a season-ending injury or illness that has occurred under all the following conditions:

(a) The season-ending injury or illness occurs before the completion of the first half of the traditional playing season in that sport for the season being waived and results in incapacity to compete for the remainder of the traditional playing season. The first half of the traditional playing season is measured by the maximum contest or date of competition (whichever is applicable to that sport) limitation in each sport as set forth in Bylaw [17](javascript:document.bylawSelect9024166572.submit();) plus one contest or date of competition. For cross country and indoor and outdoor track and field see Bylaw [14.2.5.2.5.1](javascript:document.bylawSelect6734166571.submit();); and

(b) The season-ending injury or illness occurs when the student-athlete has not competed in more than one-third of the maximum contest or date of competition (whichever is applicable to that sport) limitation in each sport (as set forth in Bylaw [17](javascript:document.bylawSelect9024166572.submit();)) plus one contest or date of competition. For cross country and indoor and outdoor track and field see Bylaw [14.2.5.2.5.1](javascript:document.bylawSelect6734166571.submit();). Only competition (excluding preseason scrimmages and exhibition contests but including scrimmages and exhibitions after the first regularly scheduled contest) against outside participants during the traditional playing season in that sport (e.g., spring baseball, fall soccer), shall be countable under this limitation in calculating the number of contests or dates of competition in which the student-athlete has competed.

IV. Criteria for Administration of Hardship Waiver (NCAA Bylaw 14.2.5.2)

**A. Nature of Injury / Illness.** It is not necessary for the incapacitating, season-ending injury or illness to be the direct result of the student's participation in the institution's organized practice or game competition.

**B. Medical Documentation.** Contemporaneous or other appropriate medical documentation from a physician (i.e., a medical doctor), who administered care at the time of the injury or illness, that establishes the student-athlete's inability to compete for the remainder of the traditional playing season as a result of that injury or illness shall be submitted with any hardship-waiver request. Chiropractic records do not constitute medical documentation for purposes of administering a hardship-waiver request. In cases involving a psychological or mental illness, such documentation may be provided by an individual who is qualified and licensed to diagnose and treat the particular illness (e.g., psychiatrist, psychologist).

**C. First-Half-of-Season Calculation.** In determining if an injury or illness occurs in the first half of the traditional season in a sport with an odd number of contests or dates of competition, the injury or illness must have occurred before the beginning of the varsity contest or date of competition that starts the second half of the traditional season (e.g., an injury or illness occurring at any time after the beginning of the fifth game of a nine-game football schedule would be considered to be after the first half of the institution's season and would not qualify the student-athlete for a hardship waiver).

**D. Reinjury in Second Half of Season.** A student-athlete who suffers an injury in the first half of the traditional season, enters competition during the second half of the traditional season and then is unable to participate further as a result of aggravating the original injury does not qualify for the hardship waiver.

**E. Percent Calculation.** The following requirements are to be met in determining the percent calculation under this waiver provision:

**1. Denominator in Percent Calculation.** The denominator in the institution's percent calculation shall be based on the maximum contest or date of competition (whichever is applicable to that sport) limitation in each sport (as set forth in Bylaw 17) plus one contest or date of competition. For the sport of cross country, the denominator in the institution's percent calculation shall be based on the maximum dates of competition (as set forth in Bylaw 17) plus two dates of competition. For indoor and outdoor track and field, the denominator in the institution's percent calculation shall be nine for each sport.

**2. Fraction in Percent Computation.** Any computation of the percent limitation that results in a fractional portion of a contest or date of competition shall be rounded to the next whole number (e.g., 33 percent of the standard basketball denominator of 26 - 8.6 games - shall be considered nine games).

**3. Eligibility for Practice After Receipt of Hardship Waiver.** A student-athlete who meets the criteria for receipt of a hardship waiver may practice and/or participate in rehabilitative activities for the remainder of the season and still qualify for a hardship waiver. A student-athlete who competes in that sport during the remainder of the season shall use a season of participation, unless the competition meets an exception per Bylaw 14.2.4.1.1.

**F. Foreign-Tour Competition.** A student-athlete who qualifies for a hardship for the previous academic year would not use a season of participation if the student-athlete represents the institution on a certified foreign tour during the summer-vacation period at the conclusion of that academic year.

Hardship Waiver Calculations – Standard Denominators Based on Bylaw 17 Maximums

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Sport** | **Standard Denominator \*** | **First Half of the Playing Season** | **One-Third of Contests**  **or Dates of Competition** |
| Baseball | 41 | Before the start of the 21st contest | 14 |
| Basketball (M/W) | 26 | Before the completion of the 13th contest | 9 |
| Cross Country # | 11 | Before the start of the sixth DOC | 4 |
| Field Hockey | 21 | Before the start of the 11th contest | 7 |
| Football | 11 | Before the start of the sixth contest | 4 |
| Golf (M/W) | 21 | Before the start of the 11th contest | 7 |
| Lacrosse (M/W) | 18 | Before the start of the ninth contest | 6 |
| Soccer (M/W) | 21 | Before the start of the 11th contest | 7 |
| Softball | 41 | Before the start of the 21st contest | 14 |
| Swimming (M/W) | 17 | Before the start of the ninth DOC | 6 |
| Tennis (M/W) | 21 | Before the start of the 11th DOC | 7 |
| Track and Field, Indoor (M/W) | 9 \*\* | Before the start of the fifth DOC | 3 |
| Track and Field, Outdoor (M/W) | 9 \*\* | Before the start of the fifth DOC | 3 |
| Volleyball | 23 | Before the start of the 12th DOC | 8 |
| Wrestling | 17 | Before the start of the ninth DOC | 6 |

\* Maximum number of contests or dates of competition (DOC) plus one pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 14.2.5-(a)-(b).

# Maximum of nine dates of competition (NCAA Bylaw 17) plus two DOC pursuant to Bylaw 14.2.5.2.5.3

\*\* See NCAA Bylaw 14.2.5.2.1

Find “Hardship Waiver Application” in Appendix GPractice

**Athletically Related Activities. (NCAA Bylaw 17.02.1)** The following are considered athletically-related activities:

(a) Practice, which is defined as any meeting, activity or instruction involving sports-related information and having an athletics purpose, held for one or more student-athletes at the direction of, or supervised by, any member or members of an institution's coaching staff. Practice is considered to have occurred if one or more coaches and one or more student-athletes engage in any of the following activities:

(1) Field, floor or on-court activity;

(2) Setting up offensive or defensive alignment

(3) Chalk talk;

(4) Lecture on or discussion of strategy related to the sport;

(5) Activities using equipment related to the sport; or

(6) Discussions or review of game films, motion pictures or videotapes related to the sport; or *(Revised 10/17/06)*

(7) Any other athletically related activity. *(Revised 10/18/04)*

(b) Competition;

(c) Required weight-training and conditioning activities held at the discretion of or supervised by an institutional staff member;

(d) Participation in a physical-fitness class (including a summer class) conducted by a member of the athletics staff not listed in the institution's catalog and not open to all students. Such a class may not include practice activities conducted under the guise of physical education class work; *(Revised 10/17/06)*

(e) Required participation in camps, clinics or workshops;

(f) Individual workouts required or supervised by a member of the coaching staff. An institutional staff member may design a voluntary (see Bylaw 17.02.13) individual-workout program for a student-athlete, but cannot conduct the individual's workout outside the declared playing season; *(Revised 1/12/04, 1/17/09)*

(g) On-court or on-field activities called by any member(s) of a team and confined primarily to members of that team that are considered as a requisite for participation in that sport (e.g. captain's practices);

(h) Visiting the competition site in cross country, golf and skiing;

(i) Reservation or use of an institution's athletics facilities when such activities are supervised by or held at the direction of any member of an institution's coaching staff; and

(j) Involvement of an institution's strength and conditioning staff with enrolled student-athletes in required conditioning programs; and *(Revised 10/17/06)*

(k) Observation by an institution’s coaching staff member of enrolled student-athletes in nonorganized sport-specific activities (e.g. “pick-up games”) in the coaching staff member’s sport, except as permitted in Bylaw 17.02.1.1.1.3-(c). *(Adopted: 1/10/05, Revised: 10/17/06, 1/16/10, 7/20/10, 1/31/18)*

Exceptions (NCAA Bylaw 17.02.1.1.1) The following activities shall not be considered athletically related activities   
*(Revised 10/17/06, 5/9/17)*:

17.02.1.1.1.1 Meetings as follows:

(a) Administrative and academic activities that are nonathletics in nature (e.g. academic meetings and compliance meetings);

(b) One team meeting conducted for an athletics purpose outside the declared playing and practice season (may be mandatory) ; and

(c) One individual meeting per student-athlete conducted for an athletics purpose outside the declared playing and practice season   
(may be mandatory)

17.02.1.1.1.2 Fundraising activities as follows:

(a) Voluntary fundraising and community service activities not involving the use of athletics ability by student-athletes to obtain funds provided the activities receive approval from the institution's chancellor or president (or his or her designee) prior to the activity.   
*(see Bylaw 12.5.1.1 for restrictions)*

(b) Voluntary out-of-season fundraising events involving the use of athletics ability by student-athletes (either to obtain funds or to participate in the activity), provided participation in the event is open to any and all entrants and student-athletes receive prior approval from the institution’s chancellor or president (or his or her designee) before participating in the activity. *(see Bylaw 12.5.1.1 for restrictions)*

17.02.1.1.1.3 Observation of the following:

(a) An officiating clinic related to playing rules that is conducted by video conference and does not require student-athletes to miss any class time to observe the clinic.

(b) Enrolled student-athletes in organized competition (e.g., summer league), provided institutional athletics personnel do not direct or supervise the organized activity.

(c) Observation of enrolled student-athletes in non-organized sport-specific activities, provided:

(1) The documented job responsibilities for the coaching staff member include monitoring of an institutional facility for purposes of safety and facility security;

(2) The observation occurs while the coaching staff member performs this monitoring responsibility; and

(3) The observation occurs while the facility is open to all students. This exception does not permit a coaching staff member to direct, supervise or provide instruction to student-athletes, but permits a coaching staff member to stop any activity that is dangerous to a student-athlete or other students.

17.02.1.1.1.4 Strength and Conditioning Activities as follows:

(a) Voluntary workouts conducted by a certified strength and conditioning coach provided:

(1) The coach has received a strength and conditioning certification from a nationally recognized certification program.

(2) The coach conducts voluntary workouts for all student-athletes if the coach is also a staff member for one of the institution’s   
intercollegiate teams; and

(3) The workout occurs during the institution’s regular academic year.

(b) Voluntary individual workouts monitored for safety purposes by a strength and conditioning coach (certified or noncertified). If the

coach is also a staff member for one of the institution’s intercollegiate teams the monitoring may occur only if the coach performs

monitoring duties for all student-athletes using the facility at that time.

17.02.1.1.1.4.1 Strength and Conditioning Facilities

(a) Student-athletes may use student-athlete-only facilities for voluntary workouts at any time.

(b) A certified strength and conditioning coach may conduct voluntary workouts in a student-athlete only facility during the academic

year.

(c) A certified strength and conditioning coach may only reserve an athletic facility for voluntary workouts that he or she will conduct.

Playing Season Regulations

*see 2017-18 NCAA Division III Manual.*

### General Regulations for Computing Playing Seasons *(NCAA Bylaw 17.1.2)*

(a) Week. A week shall be defined by the institution as any consecutive seven-day period, regardless of the day on which the seven-day period begins. The playing season, or its segments (or periods in golf and tennis), shall consist of consecutive weeks. Practice or competition during any part of a week shall be counted as a full week (e.g., practice or competition during nine weeks and one day shall be counted as 10 weeks). An institution may not redefine its week except in the following circumstances:

(1) During a segment (or period in golf and tennis) of the playing season, following a period of at least seven consecutive days that includes a vacation, final-examination period or holiday period during which no athletically related activities occur; or

(2) Between the fall and spring period in golf and tennis and between segments of the playing season in other sports, provided the institution divides its practice and playing season into two distinct segments per Bylaw 17.1.1.2.

(b) Total Combined Length. The total number of weeks for both segments (or periods in golf, rowing and tennis) of a playing season combined shall not exceed the maximum permitted in a particular sport;

(c) Holiday, Vacation Periods. In traditional and nontraditional segments (or periods in golf and tennis), any practice or competition during published vacation and holiday periods during the academic year shall be counted as part of the playing season. If practice or competition is not scheduled during any full week (seven consecutive days) that includes a vacation or holiday period, it neither shall be counted as part of the playing season nor constitute a break in a segment (or period in golf and tennis).

### Required Days Off *(NCAA Bylaw 17.1.4.1)*

A. All Sports. During the playing season, all athletically related activities shall be prohibited during one calendar day per week, except during the following: *(Revised 4/11/11)*

1. Participation during NCAA championships;

2. Participation between academic terms when classes are not in session or during the institution's preseason practice that occurs

before the first day of classes; or

3. Participation during the institution's official vacation period when classes are not in session.

B. Multisport Athletes. All athletically related activities shall be prohibited during one calendar day per week for every student-athlete,   
regardless of the number of sports in which a student-athlete participates. *(Revised 4/11/11)*

NCAA Investigations

I. NCAA Rules

The Centennial Conference is governed by the rules of the NCAA, Division III, and its own rules adopted at Annual Conference Meetings. The Conference may develop further rules relating to intercollegiate athletics within the Conference, including, but not limited to the following: conduct of athletes, coaches, officials, and spectators; eligibility for participation; recruitment of students who are athletes; scheduling; staffing. Within an atmosphere of integrity and mutual trust, the member institutions pledge their commitment to the purpose and mission of the Conference.

II. Types of NCAA Violations

**A. Secondary.** A secondary violation is one that provides only a limited recruiting or competitive advantage and that is isolated or inadvertent in nature. Repeated secondary violations by a member institution also may be identified by the NCAA assistant executive director as a major violation. If the Committee on Infractions determines that repeated secondary violations have occurred and that the institution is not taking appropriate action to prevent such violations, a penalty appropriate for a major violation may be imposed.

**B. Major.** All violations other than secondary violations are major violations, specifically including those that provide an extensive recruiting or competitive advantage.

III. Violation Procedures

A. Notification. When a member institution is informed by the NCAA that it is under investigation for a violation, the institution should inform the Executive Director of the notice within seven days.

B. Written Response. If the member institution chooses to provide a written response to answer charges of a violation, a copy of the response should also be sent to the Executive Director.

C. Finding. When the NCAA announces its finding in the case, the member institution should immediately inform the Executive Director, who will in turn inform the Executive Committee.

D. Appeal. If the NCAA finds a member institution in violation of NCAA regulations, the member institution has the right to give written notice of appeal of actions taken by the association. Should the institution choose to appeal, the Executive Director should be notified.

E. Intervention by the Conference. The Executive Director, in consultation with the member institution, may intervene to recommend a disciplinary measure at any time. Subsequent to the NCAA's action, such a disciplinary measure may be considered as "newly discovered evidence" by the NCAA (19.6.2.8.1.2).

F. Notification of Appeal. When a member institution is informed by the NCAA of the outcome of its appeal, the institution should notify the Executive Director, who will in turn notify the Executive Committee.

G. Centennial Executive Committee Review. After the outcome of the appeal has been released, the Executive Committee shall meet to discuss the situation and determine if further sanctions are warranted.

IV. Possible Centennial Conference Sanctions

The Centennial Conference Office will normally accept the findings of the NCAA and abide by its rulings, except in extraordinary circumstances where the Executive Committee finds an appeal is necessary. The Conference reserves the right to add additional sanctions, including, but not limited to:

A. No Action. The Conference's Executive Committee may choose to take no further action.

B. Private Reprimand. The Conference's Executive Committee will issue a reprimand to the chief executive officer of the institution in violation of NCAA and Centennial Conference regulations. This reprimand will state the circumstances of the case to the entire Presidents' Council.

C. Public Reprimand. The Conference's Executive Committee will issue a reprimand to the chief executive officer of the institution in violation of NCAA and Centennial Conference regulations. This reprimand will state the circumstances of the case to the entire Presidents' Council and will become a matter of public record.

D. Additional Suspension of Student-Athlete. The Conference's Executive Committee may deny eligibility to a student-athlete who participated in Conference events while in violation of NCAA or Centennial Conference regulations.

E. Individual or Team Awards Returned to Conference. The Conference's Executive Committee may require that an institution in violation of NCAA and Centennial Conference regulations vacate Conference championships, Player of the Year honors and All-Conference honors.

Secondary Infractions Self-Reporting

Beginning May 15, 2013, secondary violation self-reporting will be incorporated into the NCAA Connect website and renamed “Requests/Self-Reports Online” (RSRO). The addition of secondary reporting will enable member institutions and conferences to submit secondary violation self-reports electronically.

By definition, a secondary violation is one that is isolated or inadvertent in nature, provides or is intended to provide only a minimal recruiting or competitive or other advantage and does not include any significant impermissible benefits, including but not limited to, extra benefits, recruiting inducements preferential treatment or financial aid. Multiple secondary violations by a member institution collectively may be considered as a major violation. Most secondary cases are self-reported (either by the institution or through a conference office).

Within the online system, the first change is that the enforcement staff will no longer distinguish between current secondary Level I and II violations. Both categories of violations must be submitted using the online system and the enforcement staff will begin processing all secondary violations (both Level I and II) once a self-report has been received by the staff.

Scheduling

The Centennial Conference was founded on the principle that the institutions "agree to establish an all-sports conference in the spirit of rationalizing our competition by controlling travel, schedule and costs. Within an atmosphere of integrity and mutual trust, the member institutions pledge their commitment to the purpose and mission of the conference."

As members of Division III, the Conference members place special importance on the impact of athletics on the participants rather than on spectators and place greater emphasis on the internal constituency than on the general public and its entertainment needs.

Membership in the Centennial Conference has its rewards and its responsibilities. The Conference was established in a setting of mutual respect and confidence among the members of the Conference as institutions having a common dedication to the purposes and principles of higher education. The Conference enables member institutions to control athletic priorities through cooperation on athletic travel, schedules and costs.

As each member institution provides its students the resources and opportunities to excel in the classroom, so do they wish to provide student-athletes with the resources and opportunities to excel and compete on a Conference and national level. The members ought to look primarily within the Conference for standards of competitive excellence and, for most sports, ought to measure success or failure in competition with each other.

The Presidents' Council encourages the following standards for Conference master scheduling:

• The Conference master schedules are drafted by the Executive Director pending approval from the Administrative Delegates.

• Centennial Conference regular-season competition should be scheduled in the latter portion of the season.

• Conference competition will take precedence over non-Conference competition in scheduling. Special considerations for "traditional opponents," or out-of-region tournament competition may be requested and an effort will be made to accommodate such requests.

• Every effort shall be made to arrange schedules to enable teams in different sports to travel together to the same opponent.

• Conference contests may not be scheduled during examination periods.

• Conference competition should not be scheduled on religious holidays.

* No regular-season Conference competition should be scheduled on Sundays. *(Revised 5/30/07)*

• Mid-week contests, while classes are in session, should be local in nature so as to interfere as little as possible with class and lab time.

• All changes in schedule must go through the institution's scheduling coordinator. While head coaches are welcome to make recommendations, all changes must be agreed upon by administrators. All changes or cancellations must be confirmed in writing among the parties involved.

• A scheduling conflict between two Conference members regarding date and/or time that has not been resolved in a reasonable time by the two schools' Athletic Directors (or their designees) will be presented to the Executive Director for review and decision. The Executive Director will solicit information from all parties and render a decision, which will be communicated to the parties in writing (if time allows) and will be final.

Sports Sponsorship

Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship. In each sport, the institution's team shall engage in at least a minimum number of intercollegiate contests (against the varsity programs of four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions) each year. In the individual sports, the institution's team shall include a minimum number of participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contests requirement. The following minimums are applicable:

Team Sports Minimum Contests

Baseball 25

Basketball 18

Field Hockey 12

Football 7

Lacrosse 10

Soccer 13

Softball 24

Volleyball 17

Individual Sports Contests Participants

Cross Country 5 5

Golf 6 4

Swimming 8 8

Tennis 10 6

Track, Indoor 5 10

Track, Outdoor 6 12

Wrestling 7 6

*only Conference sports listed*

Completion of Contest (NCAA Bylaw 20.11.3.8.1)

To count as a contest, the institution’s team actually shall participate in and complete the contest. Scheduled contests that are canceled or not completed (in accordance with the playing rules of the sport in question) may not be counted. For individual sports, an institution’s team shall have the minimum number of participants in each contest, but is only required to have the minimum number per the playing rules to complete the contest. *(Revised 1/16/13)*

All-Conference

Voting Procedures

**I. Nominations.** Before the conclusion of the regular season, each coach of a participating Conference school should submit nominations of his/her athletes to be considered for All-Centennial status. No Conference-wide limit is made to the number of nominations that can be made for All-Conference consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Some sport committees may establish maximums for the number of nominees. Only one player may be nominated for Player of the Year status. A nomination form will be sent to the head coach and the SID prior to the deadline.

**II. Nomination Form.** The nomination form should include the name, number, year, and position for each nominee. Nominations should be sent to the Conference Office.

**III. Ballot.** The Conference Office will assemble the All-Conference ballot and distribute to each participating Conference school's head coach and Director of Sports Information. The ballot should be received no later than three days before the end of the season.

**IV. Voting Procedure.** Shortly after the conclusion of the regular season and prior to the start of the championship tournament, voting for All-Centennial teams should be concluded. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, and a Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be returned to the Director of Sports Information and sent via email or FAX to the Conference Office.

**V. Determination of All-Conference Team.** Two (2) points will be awarded for a 1st team vote and one (1) point for a 2nd team vote. Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-Centennial status. Ties will be broken in favor of the candidate with the highest number of 1st team votes. If the tie is still not broken, additional players may be added to the All-Star team. Any athlete receiving four (4) points will be assured of at least honorable mention status.

**VI. Determination of Player of the Year.** For Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**VII. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**VIII. Announcement of Team.** The Conference Office will tabulate the voting and announce the All-Conference team within five days of the completion of the voting.

**IX. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For selected Conference sports, a Coach of the Year will be chosen. Coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

Academic Honor Roll

I. An Academic Honor Roll will be named for each of the Conference's championship sports.

II. To be nominated for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

A. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

B. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution)  
 based on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point.

*(Revised 5/27/15)*

III. Any student-athlete meeting this criteria and being nominated by the institution will be named to the Honor Roll.

IV. Before the conclusion of the regular season, a representative of each institution (AD, SWA, SID, coach) should submit nominations for the Academic Honor Roll. There is no limit to the number of nominations from each team for the Honor Roll. A nomination form will be sent to each institution prior to the deadline.

V. The nomination form should include name, year, position, major, cumulative grade point average, hometown and high school.

VI. The Conference Office will compile all nominations and release the Academic Honor Roll to the institutions and media outlets before the conclusion of the regular season.

Academic All-Centennial

Following the release of the All-Conference teams, the Conference Office shall release an official Academic All-Centennial team to list all student-athletes who receive both All-Conference and Academic Honor Roll honors in one release and highlight the Scholar Athletes of the Year. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

Scholar Athletes of the Year

The Conference shall present a Male and Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year award at the end of the academic year, chosen from the individual sport winners. The award shall be based on the cumulative grade points averages (GPA) of the sport winners at the time in which they were selected in their respective sports, as long as the student remains in good academic standing. Any tie in GPA shall be broken as follows:

1. A senior will be selected over a junior

2. A first-team selection will be selected over a second-team selection

3. A second-team selection will be selected over a honorable mention selection

4. If the tie still exists, multiple winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/27/15)*

**Past Winners**

2016 – Brad Brooks, swimming, McDaniel; Anna Inserra, lacrosse, Washington College

2017 – James Stadler, cross country/track, Haverford; Elizabeth Garrison, volleyball, Muhlenberg

2018 – Nick Zambelli, football, Moravian; Taylor Bauman, volleyball, McDaniel; Julia Portmann, swimming, Washington College

Conference Awards

I. Team Champion Awards. Awards shall be made to the team champion in each sport where a champion is determined. The institution shall receive a permanent award, and the athletes and coaches shall receive personalized certificates. The team trophy shall be an engraved plaque that will remain permanently with the winning institution. A traveling trophy will also be presented to the team champion that will remain in its possession for one year.

• The traveling trophy shall be presented at the conclusion of the tournament championship or to the head coach of the championship team at the sport's committee meeting. If the coach is unable to attend the meeting, the trophy shall be taken by the Executive Director who shall guarantee its safe arrival to that campus.

• In case of multiple champions, the teams will share the trophy. If two teams tie for the championship, each school shall have the trophy for six months. If three teams tie for the championship, each school shall have the trophy for four months, etc. It is the responsibility of the schools involved in the tie to make arrangements for transporting the trophy to the respective campuses.

• If there is a two-way tie for the championship, the winner of the regular season game between the two teams shall have first choice in possession of the trophy.

• If there is a tie involving multiple teams, the team with the best record in games involving the tied teams shall have first choice. If two teams still remain tied, apply rule 3.

• If the tie still exists, the most recent team to have the trophy shall have last choice.

• If the tie still exists, a coin will be tossed by the Executive Director. The team first in alphabetical order will be "heads," while the other shall be "tails."

II. Individual Champion Awards. In certain sports where an individual champion is determined by event (cross country, swimming, track and field, wrestling), medals may be awarded to the first, second and third place finishers. An engraved plaque will be presented to the Outstanding Performer of the Meet. In sports where an individual champion is determined by a single competition (golf, tennis), medals may be awarded to the first team, as determined by the standard Conference procedure. An engraved plaque shall also be presented to the champion.

III. Player of the Year Awards. The awards shall be plaques similar to the team champion plaques but smaller in size.

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Committee Responsibilities

The following guidelines have been established to facilitate communication among the representative committees, the Board of Delegates, the Administrative Delegates and the Presidents' Council.

I. Selection of the Committee Chair and Liaison. The Chair of a Representative Committee is selected by the head coaches for a three-year term. The liaison is selected by the Executive Director from among the senior women and men athletics administrators. An administrator may be assigned to a representative committee whether or not the sport is played at his or her institution.

II. Meetings of the Committee. Each Representative Committee will meet at least once per year to make recommendations to the Administrative Delegates. The date and site of the meeting will be announced by the Executive Director. Additional meetings may be arranged by the Chair in consultation with the Executive Director.

III. Proposed Agenda Items. The members of the committee should submit agenda requests to the Chair and/or the Executive Director no later than five (5) days before the meeting date. The Chair will compile the agenda items and distribute to the members of the committee, the committee liaison and the Executive Director.

IV. Chair Responsibilities

A. The Chair's role is to provide leadership to the Committee in its attempts to improve Conference competition in its sport.

B. The Chair is responsible for the minutes of the committee meeting. The minutes should contain the following:

1. Committee members in attendance

2. Listing of all discussion items

3. Listing of any motions made by the committee, complete with school of the person making the motion, and record of   
the vote with yes-no-abstain.

*EXAMPLE: MOTION: (name of school) moved that … Motion passed x-x-x.*

C. The Chair should circulate the typed minutes of the committee meeting to the members of the committee, the liaison and the Executive Director. The Conference Office should receive the typed minutes as soon as possible following the conclusion of the meeting (no later than 2-3 days).

D. The Chair may also be requested to attend the Administrative Delegates meeting to provide support for particular motions.

V. Liaison Responsibilities

A. The Liaison's role is to communicate the thinking of the Presidents' Council and the Administrative Delegates to the committee, while assisting the committee in its attempts to improve Conference competition in its sport.

B. The liaison will give the committee's report at the Administrative Delegates meeting.

VI. Committee Responsibilities

A. The various committees are responsible for conducting Conference competition under the rules and policies adopted by the Centennial Conference.

B. The committees are charged with making recommendations concerning rules, policies and playing conditions governing their respective sports. These recommendations, which are sent to the Board of Delegates, can relate to Conference-wide policies or to possible NCAA legislation.

C. The committees should work in concert with the Conference Office in the operation of certain Conference championship events.

D. The committees should also work with the Administrative Delegates and the Conference Office to ensure the smooth operation of the championship season.

Sport Sponsorship

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| Sport \* | Bryn Mawr | Dickinson | Franklin & Marshal | Gettysburg | Haverford | Johns Hopkins | McDaniel | Muhlenberg | Swarthmore | Ursinus | Washington College | Juniata | Moravian | Susquehanna | Marymount | Neumann | Merchant Marine | Stevens | Washington and Lee | TOTAL |
| Baseball |  | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |
| Basketball (M) |  | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |
| Basketball (W) | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11 |
| Cross Country (M) |  | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |
| Cross Country (W) | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |
| Field Hockey | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11 |
| Football |  | x | x | x |  | x | x | x |  | x |  | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |
| Golf (M) |  | x | x | x |  |  | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7 |
| Golf (W) |  | x | x | x |  |  | x | x |  | x |  |  |  |  | x | x |  |  |  | 8 |
| Lacrosse (M) |  | x | x | x | x |  | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |
| Lacrosse (W) | x | x | x | x | x |  | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |
| Soccer (M) |  | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |
| Soccer (W) | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11 |
| Softball |  | x | x | x | x |  | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |
| Swimming (M) |  | x | x | x |  | x | x |  | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8 |
| Swimming (W) | x | x | x | x |  | x | x |  | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |
| Tennis (M) |  | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |
| Tennis (W) | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11 |
| Indoor Track (M) |  | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |
| Indoor Track (W) | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |
| Outdoor Track (M) |  | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 |
| Outdoor Track (W) | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 10 |
| Volleyball | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 11 |
| Wrestling |  |  |  | x |  | x | x | x |  | x |  |  |  |  |  |  | x | x | x | 8 |
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| Women's Sports | 10 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 10 | 8 | 12 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Men's Sports | 0 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 8 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 9 | 12 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |
| TOTAL SPORTS | 10 | 23 | 23 | 24 | 18 | 17 | 24 | 22 | 20 | 23 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |

• Championship sports sponsored by the Centennial Conference

Championship Policies

## I. ADMINISTRATION

Championships Committee. The Conference championships committee will be a standing committee comprised of three administrators. *(Adopted 11/28/06, Revised 5/26/14)*

Games Committee. The Conference Office will name a games committee to assure the proper conduct of the playoff game(s). The committee will generally be comprised of, but not limited to, the host Director of Athletics and/or Senior Woman Administrator, and representatives of the visiting team and the Conference Office.

## Incomplete Tournament. If the championship tournament cannot be completed and each team has completed at least one tournament contest, the highest remaining seed will be the Conference's champion and automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament. Otherwise, the top seed as determined by the regular season will receive the automatic qualifier.

If a first-round tournament game cannot be played by the day prior to the semifinals, the No. 4 seed advances to the semifinals.   
*(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Officials. The Conference Office, in cooperation with the host institution, will secure officials for each game of the Conference playoffs in the following sports - Baseball, Basketball, Field Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, Tennis and Volleyball. Members of the coaching staff or other representatives of participating institutions shall not make public statements critical of officiating in any Centennial Conference playoff game.

## Pre-Tournament Conference Call. A Conference call with head coaches and administrators of the teams advancing to the tournament will be held prior to the championship. A representative of the host institution, the games committee chair and/or the Conference staff liaison also will participate on the calls. The information that will generally be reviewed is listed below.

1. Welcome and introductions

2. Establish games committee

a. Tournament director

b. Conference Office representative

c. Administrators from competing teams

3. Order and start time of playoff games

4. Incomplete tournament policy

5. Officials (if assigned)

6. Uniforms and bench assignments

7. Locker Room assignments

8. Provisions for laundering uniforms

9. Filming/Videotaping needs

10. Training / Medical services

11. Awards ceremony

# II. POLICIES and PROCEDURES

Participating Teams. No more than 50 percent of sponsoring institutions at the varsity level may qualify for the championship tournaments in baseball, basketball, field hockey, lacrosse, soccer, softball, tennis and volleyball. *(Adopted 9/30/10)*

Order of Semifinal Games. Reward the top seed by permitting it to determine the order of semifinal games.

If school hosts two or more play-in games on the same day at the same venue (without lights), the visiting team that travels the farthest will play its game on Wednesday. The visiting team that is closer will play its game on Tuesday. Mileage will be determined by the Conference Office and printed in a matrix in the Centennial Manual.

If the facility has lights, the team traveling the farthest plays the second game on that day.

If there are three play-in games at the same venue (m/w soccer, field hockey), the visiting soccer team that is closest will play its game on Tuesday. The other two games will be played on Wednesday with the order determined by mileage (closest first, farthest second).

Start Times: The start time for the first-round (midweek) Conference tournament games in field hockey, soccer and lacrosse shall be determined by the host but shall be no earlier than 4 p.m. and not later than 7 p.m. *(Adopted 5/28/14)*

Hosting Two Tournaments. If one school hosts both tournaments at an unlighted facility *(example: Haverford soccer)*, the semifinal(s) between the No. 2 and No. 3 seeds will be hosted by the No. 2 seed(s). *(example: Haverford men's and women's soccer will play the No. 4 seeds at Haverford; the No. 2 seed in the men's tournament hosts the No. 3 seed the other semifinal and; the No. 2 seed in the women's tournament hosts the No. 3 seed the other semifinal.)* Both championship games will be played at the site of the No. 1 seed with the order determined by mileage (closest first, farthest second). The Conference Office will compute mileage between campuses using *Google Maps* or another service.

If one school hosts both gender sports at the same venue *(example: men's and women's soccer)*, in odd-numbered years, the men's tournament will be played Friday and Sunday, while the women's tournament will be played Saturday and Sunday. In even-numbered years, the women's tournament will be played Friday and Sunday, while the men's tournament will be played Saturday and Sunday.

If field hockey conflicts with either soccer tournament, substitute hockey for the gender not represented.  *(example: in 2018, Johns Hopkins hosts field hockey and men's soccer: field hockey plays Friday-Sunday; men’s soccer plays Saturday and Sunday)*.

If one school hosts both basketball tournaments ... in odd-numbered years (2019), the women will play the semifinals on Friday and the final on Saturday, while the men will play the semifinals on Saturday and the final on Sunday. In even-numbered years (2018), the men will play the semifinals on Friday and the final on Saturday, while the women will play the semifinals on Saturday and the final on Sunday. *(Revised 5/30/12)*

Practice at Championship Site. No practice will be permitted at the team championship site (host team excluded) prior to game day.

For outdoor sports, there is no practice on the game field prior to the semifinals. Prior to a single outdoor championship event (soccer, field hockey, lacrosse), the facility will be made available for official warm-ups at least 45 minutes prior to the start of play.

Conflicts with Home Football Games. If field hockey or soccer tournaments conflict with a home football game, the hockey and soccer tournaments may be scheduled for Friday night and Saturday night.

Cut-Off Dates for Regular-Season Conference Play. The cut-off date for completion of Conference regular-season competition for basketball, field hockey, women's lacrosse, soccer and volleyball is 6 p.m. Sunday prior to the championship.

**III. HOST INSTITUTION RESPONSIBILITIES**

Budget. The home institution is responsible for securing the personnel needed to ensure the best possible operation of the playoff contest(s).

1. Public address announcer for all games. The PA announcer shall be impartial.

2. Clock operator(s) for all games;

3. Official scorer for all games. The visiting team(s) is entitled to a representative at the scorer's table. At the conclusion of the   
contest, the official score sheet will be the one recorded by the host team.

4. Statisticians for all games;

5. Security

The host institution is also responsible for:

1. Game programs. For the first round, 100 programs (or a typical amount for a regular-season home game) are requested, while   
500 should be the minimum for the semifinals and final. For basketball, the numbers increase to 500 and 2,000.

2. Ball persons, in sports where necessary.

3. Crowd control (see below).

The Conference Office will pay officials. All other expenses should be paid by the host institution. Hosts should complete the attached budget report and return to the Conference Office immediately following the tournament.

Crowd Control. The responsibility for crowd control rests with the director of athletics of the host institution. Host institutions must provide adequate security and ushers for effective crowd management. The host Director of Athletics or Senior Woman Administrator shall be prepared to use the public address system at the first sign of unsportsmanlike crowd behavior and request cooperation in maintaining proper playing conditions. The following announcement should be made:

"The Centennial Conference promotes good sportsmanship by student-athletes, coaches and spectators. We request your cooperation by supporting the participants and officials in a positive manner. Profanity, racial or sexist comments, or other intimidating actions directed at officials, student-athletes, coaches or team representatives will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the site."

# National Anthem. The national anthem ("Star-Spangled Banner") shall be played or sung before the semifinal games and before the championship game.

Statistics. The host Director of Sports Information is responsible for contacting the media outlets with the score and submitting a copy of the official box score immediately following the contest.

Tickets. An admission charge will be assessed for basketball, swimming and wrestling championship events only. See the respective sports section for the charges.

## IV. MISCELLANEOUS

Awards. The previous year's champion is responsible for bringing the championship trophy to the championship site. The trophy must be engraved (updated) by the previous year's champion.

Media Arrangements. The host Director of Sports Information, in cooperation with the Conference Office, shall control the issuance of media credentials for each home playoff game. Media in attendance should be provided with the following: Game Program, Statistics of competing teams, and the latest Conference Report.

Trophy Presentation. The Centennial Conference championship trophy will be presented immediately following the conclusion of the championship game. Both teams are requested to return to their respective benches after post-game handshakes. A short ceremony will follow with the captain(s) being called forward to receive the trophy.

Videotapes, Films and Still Photographs. Institutions are permitted to videotape championship competition by their teams for archival, coaching or instructional purposes. An institutional representative shall contact the event coordinator at the host site for camera space at the site.

Baseball

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in baseball: Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford,   
Johns Hopkins, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus and Washington College.

Section II - Baseball Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Adam Hertz, Swarthmore

*Committee Chair:*TBA (term expires 9-2020)

*NCAA Mideast Regional Advisory Committee:* Stan Exeter, Ursinus (term expires 9-2019)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in baseball shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks.   
*(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Permissible Practice.** A member institution shall not commence practice sessions prior to February 1. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**2. First Contest or Date of Competition.** An institution may schedule its first contest against outside competition on the last Saturday in February. In the event an institution's spring break begins prior to that date, the first date of competition may be played on the first day of spring break. *(Revised 6/4/03, 9/23/05, 5/28/08, 5/27/09, 5/30/12)*

**3. Maximum Limitations.** For the 2018-19 academic year, an institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the playing season to 40 contests (games and scrimmages) during the traditional segment and one exempted alumni scrimmage. *(Revised 8/1/01, 6/9/04, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

**4. Classes in Session.** No more than 30 contests may be played while classes are in session during the traditional segment. There is no limitation on contests during listed vacation periods. *(Adopted 6/4/03)*

**C. Nontraditional Segment**

**1. First Practice or Competition.** September 7 or the institution’s first day of classes, whichever is earlier.

**2. Nontraditional Season Length.** All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment is limited to a maximum of five weeks and shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution’s final regular fall examination period.

**3. Practice Opportunities.** The Conference permits a maximum of 16 practices with no more than four practices in any one week. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** The Conference permits one date of competition with outside competition that is counted toward the allowable 16 practices *(i.e. 15 practices + 1 DOC = 16; 16 practices + 0 DOC = 16)*. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**5. Class/Laboratory Time.** No class or laboratory time may be missed for practice or competition.

**6. Date of Competition Limitations.** A maximum of eight hours of athletically related activity may occur on the one date of competition for all participants. Further, competition activity on the one date must be included in the eight-hour maximum and is also limited to two regulation baseball games or 18 regulation innings (e.g., three outs per inning, three strikes per out).   
*(Revised 4/17/07)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Determining the Conference Champion**. The Conference champion will be determined by a four-team double-elimination playoff. The teams are determined by the best won-lost record in a double round-robin format. *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 11/28/06)*

**B. Tiebreaker Format.** The tiebreaker formula to determine playoff seeding is as follows:

1. Head-to-head Centennial Conference play among tied teams;

2. Records versus teams in descending order of standing; (e.g., if there is a tie for fourth, the records of those two teams vs. the   
1st-place finisher would be examined, then on to 2nd place, etc.);

3. if criteria 1 and 2 does not break the tie

a. for the final playoff position, a play-in game will be held. The Executive Director will conduct a coin flip

to determine the site;

b. for other ties among playoff-bound teams, the Executive Director will conduct a coin flip to determine playoff position.

In the event of multiple ties, a random drawing will be held for the playoff positions.

When any secondary criteria in a multiple-team tie favors one team over the others, that team earns the seed and is removed from the tie-breaker. Re-apply the criteria to all remaining teams, starting with the Conference's primary tiebreaker for all sports (head-to-head Centennial competition). *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 5/27/15)*

**C. Tournament Format**

**Game 1** (Thursday):No. 4 seed at No. 1 seed, 3 p.m.

**Game 2** (Thursday): No. 3 seed at No. 2 seed, 3 p.m.

**Game 3** (Saturday at No. 1 seed): Loser of game 1 vs. Loser of game 2, 9 a.m.

**Game 4** (Saturday at No. 1 seed): Winner of game 1 vs. Winner of game 2, not before 12:30 p.m. or 30 minutes after game 3

**Game 5** (Saturday at No. 1 seed): Winner of game 3 vs. Loser of game 4, begins 30 minutes after game 4

**Game 6** (Sunday at No. 1 seed): Winner of game 4 vs. Winner of game 5, 12 p.m.

**Game 7** (Sunday at No. 1 seed): Championship game, if necessary, begins 30 minutes after game 6

All games are nine innings. *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 5/29/13)*

D. Determination of Home Team.

1. For games 1 through 5, the higher seed will be the home team.

2. The undefeated team (2-0) in the tournament, regardless of seed, will be the home team for game 6 and the visiting team   
for game 7.  *(Adopted 11/28/06; Revised 5/28/08, 5/26/10)*

**E. Championship Game Times.**

Game 1: No. 4 seed at No. 1 seed, 3 p.m.

Game 2: No. 3 seed at No. 2 seed, 3 p.m.

Practice *(game starts at 3:00 p.m.)* The home team (higher seed) will complete batting practice by 2 p.m. The visiting team may hit for 30 minutes, beginning at 2 p.m. The home team takes fielding practice from 2:30-2:40. The visiting team takes field practice from 2:40-2:50. Lineup exchange is at 2:52, and anthem begins at 2:55. First pitch is 3 p.m.

Game 3: loser of game 1 vs. loser of game 2, 9 a.m.

Game 4: winner of game 1 vs. winner of game 2, not before 12:30 p.m. or 30 minutes after conclusion of game 3

Game 5: winner of game 3 vs. loser of game 4, begins 30 minutes after conclusion of game 4

No practice will be permitted at the team championship site (host team excluded) prior to game day. No practice is permitted on the game field prior to the warm-up for the first game. Prior to games 6/7, the facility will be made available for official warm-ups 60 minutes prior to the start of play.

**Game 3 Practice** *(game starts at 9 a.m.)* The higher seed will hit in cages from 7:55 a.m. to 8:20 a.m. while the lower seed has use of the field. At 8:25 a.m. the teams switch to complete pregame warm-ups. *(Revised 6/1/16)*

**Game 4 Practice** *(game starts at 12:30 p.m. or 30 minutes after conclusion of first game).* Teams take batting practice in cages from 11:25 a.m. to 11:55 a.m. The home team takes fielding practice from 12:00-12:10, while the visiting team takes fielding practice from 12:10-12:20. Lineup exchange takes place at 12:22 and the starting lineups with national anthem begins at 12:25. First pitch is 12:30.

**Game 5 Practice** *(game starts 30 minutes after conclusion of second game).* The team waiting to play game 5 may hit in the cage for 30 minutes anytime after the start of Game 4. The team waiting will then take fielding practice from 30 minutes until 20 minutes prior to the start of Game 5.

Game 6: winner of game 4 vs. winner of game 5, 12:00 p.m.

Game 7, if necessary: 30 minutes after conclusion of game 6

**Game 6 Practice** *(game starts at noon).* The host institution (or home team) will complete batting practice by 11 a.m. The visiting team may hit for 30 minutes, beginning at 11 a.m. The home team takes fielding practice from 11:30-11:40. The visiting team takes field practice from 11:40-11:50. Lineup exchange is at 11:52, and anthem begins at 11:55. First pitch is 12 p.m.

*(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/9/04, 11/28/06, 5/28/08, 5/28/14)*

**F. Inclement Weather.** If games 1 and 2 are not played on Friday because of weather or exam schedules, three games will be scheduled on Saturday at the site of the #1 seed.

Game 1: No. 1 seed vs. No. 4 seed, 9 a.m.

Game 2: No. 2 seed vs. No. 3 seed, 12:45 p.m.

Game 3: losers of games 1 and 2, 4:30 p.m.

Games 4 and 5 would follow the traditional Sunday schedule, while only games 6 and 7 may be played on Monday. If the tournament has not completed five games by the end of the day Sunday, and if all teams have completed at least one contest, the highest remaining seed will receive the Conference AQ. If all teams have not completed at least one contest, the regular-season top seed will represent the Conference as its automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament. The home site athletic administrator in consultation with the Executive Director shall make decisions on whether games may be started if weather or field conditions are questionable.   
*(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 11/28/06)*

**G. Incomplete Tournament.** If the tournament has not completed five games by the end of Sunday, and if all teams have completed at least one contest, the highest remaining seed will receive the Conference AQ. **Exception:** If the tournament is not played on the weekend of NCAA championship selection, games 6 and 7 can be played prior to the NCAA selection date. The institutions will confirm available dates during the pre-championship conference call. If all teams have not completed at least one contest, the regular-season top seed will represent the Conference as its automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament.   
*(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/1/05, 11/28/06, 5/26/10, 5/29/13, 5/28/14)*

**H. Umpires.** The Conference Office will arrange for umpires through Chesapeake Basin Umpires Association. The host institution will pay umpires and be reimbursed by the Conference Office. It is recommended that three umpires be used. *(Adopted 6/6/01)*

**I. Batting Practice.** All batting practice for playoff games shall take place in batting cages, if facilities permit, not on the field. The lone exception will be games on Sunday. *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/5/02)*

**J. Baseballs.** The Conference Office, per the contract with Diamond, will provide baseballs for each game of the tournament. The host team will supply others as needed.

**J. Foul Balls.** The host institution for Conference tournament games is responsible for providing persons to retrieve foul balls that leave the field of play. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

K. Dugouts. The home team shall occupy the third base dugout. In the interest of simplicity, the No. 1 seed will occupy its dugout for all games in which it participates. A team occupying one dugout in the playoffs will not be forced to change dugouts in the next game, unless the host institution is involved in the game. *(Adopted 5/28/08)*

**L. Length of Contests.** All games shall be nine innings. If play has been stopped before nine innings have been completed, the halted-game rule (Rule 5-9) shall be used. The 10-run rule – Rule 5-7-b-(4) – shall not be used for the championship.

M. Uniforms. The higher seed is the home team and shall occupy its home dugout, take infield practice first and wear white uniforms if it owns white uniforms. The visiting team must wear a uniform of contrasting color. In competition and during related ceremonies (pre-game/warm-up, introductions, award ceremonies and post-game interviews), student-athletes in the championship shall wear exclusively the official game uniforms of their institutions. This applies to warm-up uniforms as well as competitive uniforms.

N. Game Programs. The host institution is responsible for the production of an appropriate number of programs for the championship.

O. Hospitality. The host institution should provide hospitality for visiting administrators (AD, SWA, SID) and members of the press. The Conference will reimburse for refreshments for hospitality.

P. Public Address Announcements. The public address announcer for the Conference tournament shall be impartial. The announcer is responsible to the Centennial Conference representative and games committee at each site. Any music played once the first pitch is thrown must be impartial and not derogatory toward visiting teams. By rule, "Audio may not be played in a manner that may incite spectators to react in a negative fashion to umpires' decisions or to visiting players." Music may only be played 1) in between innings or 2) during a pitching change.

Q. Scoreboards. Scoreboards with message capabilities are not to be used to encourage or attempt to intimidate any of the teams in the championship tournament.

R. Noisemakers. Artificial noisemakers, air horns or electronic amplifiers are not permitted.

Section V - Regulations Governing Competition

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Starting Times.** Starting times for midweek single games is 3 p.m. (3:30 after Daylight Savings Time begins, or 3:45 p.m. by mutual consent), except by mutual agreement. All weekend doubleheaders begin at 11:30 a.m. before Daylight Savings Time and 12 p.m. after Daylight Savings. Weekday doubleheaders must begin at 1 p.m. Starting times may be adjusted by mutual agreement by participating teams. *(Revised 6/4/97, 6/3/98, 6/6/01, 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

**B. Length of Contests.** Length of all Conference contests will be nine innings. There will be a 20-minute break between games of a Conference doubleheader. *(Revised 6/9/04, 6/1/11)*

**C. Games Ending in Ties.** Ties in regular-season games will not be replayed and will count in the standings.

**D. Batting Practice.** The home team will complete batting practice 60 minutes before game time. The visiting team may hit for 30 minutes, beginning 60 minutes before game time. The home team takes fielding practice for 10 minutes, beginning 30 minutes before game time. The visiting team also gets 10 minutes, beginning 20 minutes before game time.   
*(Revised 6/3/98, 6/9/04, 5/31/06)*

**E. Umpiring Fees.** The Chesapeake Basin Umpires Association is the official assignor of umpires for the Centennial Conference for the 2019, 2020 and 2021 seasons. The assigning fee is $350 per school. *(Revised 6/3/98, 6/9/04, 5/31/06, 5/27/15, 5/30/18)*

**2019 2020 2021**

Single 9-Inning Game $185 $185 $190

Two 9-Inning Games $330 $330 $335

**F. Postponements**

1. All postponed Conference games must be made up.

2. If a game is called by the umpire due to inclement conditions, 4 1/2 innings shall constitute a complete game if the home team is ahead and 5 innings if the visiting team is ahead.

3. A Tuesday postponement must be made up on the first day conditions permit (Wednesday, then Thursday)

4. A Friday postponement shall be replayed Sunday then Monday. If neither of these days is available, the two coaches must select a mutually convenient date. *(Revised 6/2/99, 6/6/01, 6/9/04)*

5. A Saturday postponement shall be replayed Sunday then the next available Sunday, taking precedence over a Friday postponement. A Saturday postponed doubleheader takes precedence in rescheduling over a previously rescheduled doubleheader on that Sunday. If a team has already arrived at a host college for a Saturday doubleheader and all or part of that doubleheader is postponed, the game may be made up Sunday or the next available Sunday, at the option of the visiting college. *(Revised 6/7/00, 6/6/01, 6/9/04, 6/1/05, 5/28/08)*

6. As a last resort, if any Conference doubleheader cannot be made up on the next-to-last Sunday because of a previously postponed doubleheader being scheduled there, it will be made up on the Tuesday prior to that final weekend of regular season games. If that doubleheader is postponed from Tuesday, it will be made up the next day. *(Revised 6/1/05)*

7. If games cannot be made up according to the guidelines stipulated above, the teams involved should select a mutually agreeable date, as long as all makeup games are played by the Tuesday following the final Saturday of regularly-scheduled Conference competition. *(Revised 6/9/04)*

8. A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**G. Tobacco Use.** All tobacco products are banned from the field, dugouts, bullpens and batting cages.

**H. Uniforms.** Each institution is responsible for notifying its opponents what color its home uniform will be if not white.

**I. Suspended Games.** A game that is stopped before it becomes official should be considered a suspended game and played from the point of interruption on the date mandated by Conference policy. If the two teams play at a future date, the suspended game should be continued at that time. *(Adopted 6/2/99).*

**J. Out-of-Bounds Lines.** Members should paint/mark or use cones for all out-of-bounds lines beyond the dugout when fences are not present. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 5/27/15)*

**K. Bullpens.** Every institution must have a separate bullpen for the visiting team. Institutions should either provide two mounds for the use of visitors or, if field conditions make that impossible, provide equal access to a second mound in the home bullpen. *(Adopted 6/6/01)*

**L. Scouting Reports.** Coaches shall not give scouting reports on Conference schools to non-Conference schools or to other Centennial Conference schools. *(Adopted 6/5/02)*

M. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

N. Practice Screens. Each institution is required to have a first base screen on its field for pre-game practice. In addition, each institution is required to have a screen in the middle of the field to protect the players who receive the balls hit during batting practice. *(Adopted 5/26/10; Revised 5/29/13)*

Section VI - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** At the conclusion of the regular season an All-Conference team shall be selected by the Conference coaches. The team will comprise of four (4) Pitchers, one of whom pitched the majority of his appearances as a reliever, one (1) Catcher, First Baseman, Second Baseman, Third Baseman, Shortstop, three (3) Outfielders and a Designated Hitter. The coaches will also select a Player, Pitcher, Gold Glove and Rookie of the Year. *(Revised 5/27/09, 5/29/13, 5/28/14)*

**1. Nominations.** At the conclusion of the regular season, each coach of a participating Conference school should submit nominations of his/her athletes to be considered for All-Centennial status. No Conference-wide limit is made to the number of nominations that can be made for All-Conference consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Some sport committees may establish maximums for the number of nominees. Only one player may be nominated for Player of the Year status.

**2. Voting Procedure.** Shortly after the conclusion of the regular season and prior to the start of the championship tournament, voting for All-Centennial teams should be concluded. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, and a Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be returned to the Director of Sports Information and sent via email or FAX to the Conference Office.

**3. Determination of All-Conference Team.** Two (2) points will be awarded for a 1st team vote and one (1) point for a 2nd team vote. Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-Centennial status. Ties will be broken in favor of the candidate with the highest number of 1st team votes. If the tie is still not broken, additional players may be added to the All-Star team. Any athlete receiving four (4) points will be assured of at least honorable mention status.

**4. Determination of Player and Pitcher of the Year.** For Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. The top vote getter among the pitching nominees will be named Pitcher of the Year.

**5. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**6. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**7. Gold Glove Award.** The Conference will select a recipient for a “Gold Glove Award,” which will be given annually to the best defensive player in the Conference. Each team may nominate one player for the award. Coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/28/14)*

**B. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize a Player and Pitcher of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Revised 6/2/99)*

**C. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**D. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**E. Championship Tournament MVP.** The Conference will select a most valuable player (MVP) of the championship tournament. The Conference Office will determine the process for selection. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**F. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VII – 2019 Calendar

**Start of Spring Practice:** Friday, February 1

**First Contest:** Saturday, February 23

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Sunday, April 28

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Wednesday, May 1

**Conference Tournament:** Thursday-Saturday-Sunday, May 2-4-5

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, May 7

**NCAA Championship Date Calculation Formula:** Finals begin on the Friday prior to and conclude on Tuesday following Memorial Day. The regionals are the Wednesday-Sunday prior to the finals.

**Future NCAA Championships – Selections / Regionals / Super Regionals**

2019 – May 12 / May 17-19 / May 24-26

2020 – May 11 / May 15-17 / May 22-24

2021 – May 9 / May 13-15 / May 20-22

2022 – May 15 / May 18-22 / May 27-29

**Future NCAA Championships - Finals**

2019 – May 31-June 5 – Veterans Memorial Stadium, Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Iowa Conference, host)

2020 – May 29-June 3 – Veterans Memorial Stadium, Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Iowa Conference, host)

2021 – May 27-June 1 – Veterans Memorial Stadium, Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Iowa Conference, host)

2022 – June 3-8 - Veterans Memorial Stadium, Cedar Rapids, Iowa (Iowa Conference, host)

Basketball (M)

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in basketball: Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford,   
Johns Hopkins, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus and Washington College.

Section II - Men's Basketball Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Paul Moyer, McDaniel

*Committee Chair:* Landry Kosmalski, Swarthmore (term expires 9-2020)

*NCAA Middle Atlantic Regional Advisory Committee:* Kevin Curley, McDaniel (term expires 9-2020)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in basketball shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks and shall be completed by the conclusion of the NCAA championship. *(Adopted 1/12/04; Revised 4/11/11)*

**B. First Permissible Practice.** A member institution shall not commence preseason basketball days of athletically-related activity sessions before October 15. *(Revised 8/1/01, 6/4/03, 5/26/10, 6/1/11, 5/29/13, 6/1/16)*

**C. Maximum Limitations.** For the 2018-19 academic year, an institution may play 25 regular-season games and one permissible scrimmage, or 24 regular-season games and two scrimmages. An alumni scrimmage may also be exempted. *(Adopted 9/23/05, Revised 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

**D. First Contest.** An institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) against outside competition before November 15.   
An institution is permitted to conduct exempted exhibitions, scrimmages or joint practices prior to the first permissible date for regular season competition. *(Revised 5/27/09, 8/1/17)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Number of Conference Contests.** Each school will play 18 Conference games. *(Revised 6/5/02)*

**B. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference basketball champion will be determined by a five-team playoff. The teams will be determined by best won-loss record in a round-robin format.

**First Round** (Tuesday, Wednesday if a tie-breaker game is required on Monday): No. 5 seed at No. 4 seed.

**Semifinals** (Friday night at No. 1 seed): No. 3 seed vs. No. 2 seed; winner of first-round game vs. No. 1 seed. The top seed determines the order of the semifinal games in consultation with the Conference Office.

**Championship** (Saturday night at No. 1 seed): semifinal winners. *(Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 11/30/04, 6/1/11, 5/31/17)*

If one school is the top seed for both the men's and women's tournaments …

**Even-Numbered Years** (2020, 2022, etc.)

Men: semifinals on Friday (6 and 8 p.m.), final on Saturday (7 p.m.)

Women: semifinals on Saturday (2 and 4 p.m.), final on Sunday (2 p.m.)

**Odd-Numbered Years** (**2019**, 2021 etc.)

Women: semifinals on Friday (6 and 8 p.m.), final on Saturday (7 p.m.)

Men: semifinals on Saturday (2 and 4 p.m.), final on Sunday (2 p.m.)

*(Adopted 6/4/03; Revised 6/9/04, 5/30/12)*

**C. Tie-Breaker Format**

1. All seeds other than the final seed will be determined by applying the following criteria in the order listed:

a. head-to-head Centennial Conference competition among the tied teams;

b. team with the best record vs. teams in descending order of standing (1st place, 2nd, etc.);

c. coin flip by the Executive Director;

d. once the above criteria have been used to reduce the number of tied teams, they will be used again on the   
teams that remain tied.

2. Ties for the final playoff seed will be determined by applying the following criteria in the order listed:

a. head-to-head Conference competition among the tied teams;

b. team with the best record vs. teams in descending order of standing (1st place, 2nd, etc.). It should be noted   
that if 1 (c) above had to be used to break a tie between teams, those teams will be considered as tied for purposes of applying this tie-breaker;

c. once the above criteria have been used to reduce the number of tied teams, they will be used again on the teams   
that remain tied;

d. if the application of 2(a), 2(b) and 2(c) does not determine the final seed for the playoffs, a tie-breaker game will   
be played. The host for the game will be determined through a coin flip by the Executive Director. It should be noted that, under the provisions of criteria 2, a tie-breaker game would only be played if the teams had split their head-to-head games, and the tied teams' records were identical against every other team in the Conference. The rationale of 2(d) is that a tiebreaker game should be held if, and only if, the only other possible way to determine the final playoff team was a coin flip. *(Adopted 6/4/03; Revised 6/9/04)*

**D. Practice at Championship Site.** No practice will be permitted at the championship site (host team excluded) prior to game day. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

E. Incomplete Tournament. If the championship tournament cannot be completed and each team has completed at least one tournament contest, the highest remaining seed will be the Conference's champion and automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament. Otherwise, the top seed as determined by the regular season will receive the automatic qualifier.   
*(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/9/04)*

F. Practice Schedule. The on-court practice schedule for the final four is as follows: *(Revised 5/30/12)*

*If top seed plays in first semifinal If top seed plays in second semifinal*

1:30-2:10 #1 seed #1 seed

2:15-2:55 #4 or #5 seed #2 or #3 seed with shortest travel

3:00-3:40 #2 or #3 seed with shortest travel #2 or #3 seed with farthest travel

3:45-4:25 #2 or #3 seed with farthest travel #4 or #5 seed

*Final*

2:00-2:30 highest remaining seed

2:40-3:10 lowest remaining seed

G. Pregame Schedules. With certain exceptions for multiple events at one venue or economic concerns, semifinals should start no earlier than noon and the Sunday final no later than 2 p.m. *(Adopted 6/1/11; Revised 5/29/13)*

# **First-Round Game Schedule**

6:30 p.m. Floor available for team warm-up - 55-minute countdown begins

7:10 p.m. Officials meet with team captains

7:25 p.m. Timer sounds buzzer - teams clear floor

National Anthem

Player Introductions

7:30 p.m. Tip-Off

Semifinal Game #1 – 6:00 Tip

5:00 p.m. Floor available for team warm-up - 55-minute countdown begins

5:40 p.m. Officials meet with team captains

5:55 p.m. Timer sounds buzzer - teams clear floor

National Anthem

Player Introductions

6 p.m. Tip-Off

Halftime teams participating in second semifinal may not shoot during halftime of the first game

Semifinal Game #2 – 8:00 Tip \*

Conclusion of first semifinal (put 30 minutes on clock after final buzzer if sounds 7:00 or later)

Floor available for team warm-up

7:40 p.m. Officials meet with team captains

7:55 p.m. Timer sounds buzzer - teams clear floor

Player Introductions

8 p.m. Tip-Off

* The second semifinal shall be promoted as "not before 8 p.m." and shall begin at 8 p.m. or not later than 30 minutes after completion of the first semifinal. Following the NCAA tournament procedure, the home team will play the second game.

Championship Game

6 p.m. Floor available for team warm-up - 55-minute countdown begins

6:40 p.m. Officials meet with team captains

6:55 p.m. Timer sounds buzzer - teams clear floor

National Anthem

Player Introductions

7 p.m. Tip-Off

Half-Time Schedule

* Halftime intermission should be 15 minutes in duration. Hosts shall abide by the following halftime procedures:
* Clock begins when both teams leave the floor.
* Teams shall have a minimum of eight minutes to warm-up for the second half.
* All halftime entertainment activities must clear from floor by the eight-minute mark.
* If halftime activities conclude before the eight-minute mark, teams are permitted to use the additional time for warm-ups.

Section VI - Regulations Governing Competition

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Starting Times.** All single midweek games will begin no later than 7:30 p.m. All weekend Conference games will begin no earlier than 1 p.m. and no later than 4 p.m. All weeknight doubleheaders will start at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. *(Revised 6/7/00, 6/6/01)*

**B. Doubleheaders.** A doubleheader is defined as two games (Junior Varsity-Varsity, Alumni-Varsity, Men-Women, Women-Men). In the case of doubleheaders involving men's and women's games, the host institution will determine the order of games and starting times. In the case of a doubleheader, 30 minutes should be put on the game clock immediately following the conclusion of the first game. Two Conference games at the same facility (Women-Men, Men-Women) must be played consecutively with no break due to jayvee or alumni contests. *(Adopted 6/3/98, Revised 6/6/01)*

**C. Postponed Contests.** All postponed Conference games will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. If the two schools cannot reach a mutual agreement, a postponed contest will be played within the next two days, provided the availability of the facility. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play, a postponed Conference game will be rescheduled for the next available date and shall have priority over non-Conference games. Teams that do not reschedule a postponed game for the next available date for any circumstance must clear a different date with the Conference Office.   
*(Revised 6/7/95, 6/4/03, 2/3/04)*

**D. Cut-Off Date.** The cut-off date for the completion of Conference regular-season competition is 6 p.m. on the Sunday prior to the championship. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**E. Interrupted Contests.**  If, due to electrical failure, a broken backboard, or some other unforeseen emergency, a Conference game is interrupted, it must be replayed in its entirety. If either team was losing at the time of the interruption and chooses not to replay the game, the game will be considered forfeited for the team that was ahead.

**F. Forfeits.** If a Conference team fails to appear for a regularly scheduled, contracted Conference contest, that game may be forfeited and entered as a loss for that institution.

**G. Officials.** Donnie Eppley will serve as the Conference’s coordinator of officiating. Three officials must be assigned by the coordinator for all Centennial Conference men's basketball regular season games. *(Revised 6/3/98, 6/2/99, 6/1/11, 5/27/15, 5/30/18)*

**2019 2020 2021**

Game $195 $195 $200

Alternate / Tournament $100 $100 $100

Scrimmage $47 $48 $49

**H. Scouting Information.** Scouting information (film, tape, written or verbal information) will not be shared with non-Centennial institutions about Centennial teams.

**I. Game Tape Exchange**

There is a mandatory video exchange between Centennial Conference members allowing for total access to all Conference and non-Conference video footage. Each Centennial school is required to share all Conference and non-Conference games via the Centennial Conference Open Exchange Video Library (i.e. Krossover, Hudl, Synergy, etc.). Centennial coaches will use the video exchange system that is agreed upon by the Centennial Men’s Basketball coaches committee. Coaches agree to the following video guidelines and upload times.

* All teams are responsible for making all of the above games available within two hours of the end of a home game.
* Audio is not required.
* If a team travels to a tournament, the program is responsible for making the tournament games available by 11 a.m. on the day following the team’s return.
* Additionally, there will be no exchange of verbal or written scouting reports, etc., with out-of-conference opponents.

*(Adopted 5/29/13, Revised 6/1/16, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

**J. Player Introductions.** The visiting team starters will be announced first, followed by the starters for the home team.   
*(Adopted 6/4/97; Revised 6/9/04, 5/30/12, 5/29/13)*

**K. Sportsmanship Code.** The Centennial Conference sportsmanship code must be placed in programs and read over the public address system prior to the start of all contests. *(Adopted 6/4/97)*

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Basketball (W)

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*Liaison to Delegates:* Nnenna Akotaobi, Swarthmore

*Committee Chair:* Kirsten Richter, Franklin & Marshall (term expires 9-2020)

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*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

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Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Number of Conference Contests.** Each school will play 20 Conference games in a double round-robin format.   
*(Revised 6/5/02; 5/28/08)*

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**Semifinals** (Friday at No. 1 seed): No. 3 seed vs. No. 2 seed; winner of first-round game vs. No. 1 seed.   
The top seed determines the order of the semifinal games in consultation with the Conference Office.

**Championship** (Saturday, 4 p.m. at No. 1 seed): semifinal winners. *(Revised 6/4/03; 6/9/04; 11/30/04; 6/1/11, 5/28/14)*

If one school is the top seed for both the men’s and women’s tournaments … *(Adopted 6/4/03; Revised 6/9/04, 5/30/12)*

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E. Incomplete Tournament. If the championship tournament cannot be completed and each team has completed at least one tournament contest, the highest remaining seed will be the Conference's champion and automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament. Otherwise, the top seed as determined by the regular season will receive the automatic qualifier.   
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F. Practice Schedule. The on-court practice schedule for the final four is as follows: *(Revised 5/30/12, 5/30/18)*

*If top seed plays in first semifinal If top seed plays in second semifinal*

1:30-2:10 #1 seed #1 seed

2:15-2:55 #4 or #5 seed #2 or #3 seed with shortest travel

3:00-3:40 #2 or #3 seed with shortest travel #2 or #3 seed with farthest travel

3:45-4:25 #2 or #3 seed with farthest travel #4 or #5 seed

*Final*

75 minutes highest remaining seed

75 minutes lowest remaining seed

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6:30 p.m. Floor available for team warm-up - 55-minute countdown begins

7:10 p.m. Officials meet with team captains

7:25 p.m. Timer sounds buzzer - teams clear floor

National Anthem

Player Introductions

7:30 p.m. Tip-Off

Semifinal Game #1 – 6:00 Tip

5:00 p.m. Floor available for team warm-up - 55-minute countdown begins

5:40 p.m. Officials meet with team captains

5:55 p.m. Timer sounds buzzer - teams clear floor

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6 p.m. Tip-Off

Halftime teams participating in second semifinal may not shoot during halftime of the first game

Semifinal Game #2 – 8:00 Tip \*

Conclusion of first semifinal (put 30 minutes on clock after final buzzer if sounds 7:30 or later)

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7:40 p.m. Officials meet with team captains

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8 p.m. Tip-Off

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**2019 2020 2021**

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The host institution shall afford each of the three visiting schools the opportunity to purchase 15% of the available tickets. The visiting teams should contact the Tournament Director no later than Thursday regarding the number of tickets desired and the process by which the tickets shall be available to the visiting team. *(Revised 6/2/99, 6/1/05)*

# **C. Spectator Areas**

To avoid potential conflicts, the Conference recommends that the host institution designate distinct seating sections within the playing facility for:

**Home Supporters Section**

* Shall not be behind the visiting team bench.
* Should be available to advance ticket customers.
* Should have a distinct ticket (different from home supporters and walk-up sections) for admittance.

**Visiting Supporters Section(s)**

* Should be directly behind the visiting team bench(es).
* Should have a distinct ticket (different from visitor supporters and walk-up sections) for admittance.

**Walk-Up General Admission Section**

* Should have a distinct ticket (different from visitor and home supporters sections) for admittance.
* Should be available to supporters from all institutions.

D. Basketballs. The host institution should provide each visiting team with a minimum of six basketballs of good quality for warm-up. Additionally, the host institution will provide game balls for each game hosted by the institution.

E. Game Programs. The host institution is responsible for the production of an appropriate number of game programs for the championship.

F. Hospitality. The host institution should provide a hospitality area for visiting administrators and members of the press. The Conference will reimburse for refreshments (sandwiches, cookies, soda, etc.) for the hospitality room. This area should also have press information on the Conference tournament and on each participating team. Access to the hospitality room should be limited to those with proper credentials.

G. Ladder. The host institution should provide a ladder for the championship team to safely take down the net if desired.

H. Media. The host institution should provide a working area for members of the press. This area should be at the scorers' table or as close to the court as possible. Access to the media area should be limited to those with proper credentials. The host Director of Sports Information, in cooperation with the Conference Office, shall control the issuance of media credentials for each home playoff game. Media in attendance should be provided with the following: (1) Game Program, (2) Statistics of competing teams, and (3) the latest Conference Report.

I. Noisemakers. Artificial noisemakers, air horns or electronic amplifiers are not permitted.

**J. Public Address Announcements**. The PA announcer for the Conference tournament shall be impartial.

## K. Scorers' Table. The host institution will provide the official scorekeeper/statistician at the scorer’s table for the first round, both semifinals and the final. The official scorer only shall wear an official's striped shirt for easy identification. Space shall be reserved at the scorers' table for a scorer from both teams. Game announcers are directed to be impartial in their duties.

Section VIII – Calendar

**Start of On-Court Practice:** Monday, October 15

**First Contest:** Thursday, November 8

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Sunday, February 17

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Tuesday, February 19

**Conference Tournament:** Tuesday-Friday-Saturday, February 19-22-23

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, March 5

**NCAA Championship Date Formula Calculation**

Single-Game first rounds: First Thursday in March (Thursday prior to second round)

Single-Game second rounds: First Saturday in March

Three-game first/second rounds: First Friday-Saturday in March

Sectionals: Second Friday/Saturday in March.

Finals: Third Friday/Saturday in March

**Future NCAA Championships**

2019 – March 1-2-8-9-15-16 – Cregger Center, Salem, Va. (Old Dominion Athletic Conference, host)

2020 – March 6-7-13-14-20-21 – Capital Center Performance Arena, Columbus, Ohio (Capital, host)

2021 – March 5-6-12-13-19-20 – Cregger Center, Salem, Va. (Old Dominion Athletic Conference, host)

2022 – March 4-5-11-12-18-19 – A.J. Palumbo Center, Pittsburgh, Pa. (Presidents Athletic Conference, host)

Cross Country

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in cross country: Bryn Mawr (women only), Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford, Johns Hopkins, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore and Ursinus.

Section II - Men's and Women's Cross Country Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Katie Tarr, Bryn Mawr

*Committee Chair:* Jason Hewitt, Bryn Mawr (term expires 9-2019)

*NCAA Committee:*Don Nichter, Dickinson (term expires 9-2019)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in cross country shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined). *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Permissible Practice.** A member institution shall not commence practice before the date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula (see NCAA Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition. A "unit" is a numerical value assigned to a particular calendar day within the application of the preseason practice formula that is used to determine the first permissible practice date for fall sports other than football. The number of units assigned to a particular day does not determine or limit the number of practices that may be conducted on that day. *(Adopted 5/4/09; Revised 4/11/11)*

**2. Determining the First Permissible Practice Date** *(see NCAA Bylaw 17.02.11)*. To determine the first permissible practice date, an institution shall count back a total of 16 units on a calendar starting with the day before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition, as follows:

a, Never assign any units to Sundays on the calendar; it is permissible to practice on Sundays;

b. Never assign any units to calendar days during the preseason when all institutional dormitories are closed, the institution's team must leave campus, and practice is not conducted;

c. The first six units: assign one unit to each of the six calendar days (not including Sunday) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition;

d. The remaining ten units:

i. Assign one unit to each calendar day (not including Sundays) that occurs on or after the opening day of classes for the fall term and

ii. Assign two units to each calendar day before the opening day of classes for the fall term (not including Sundays) until the sum of units on the calendar reaches 16;

e. The date on which the total count of units on the calendar reaches 16 is the first permissible date for preseason practice.  *(Adopted 5/4/09)*

**3. First Contest or Date of Competition.** September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. An institution may conduct an unlimited number of exhibitions or scrimmages on one date during the preseason practice period, which shall count as one date of competition in the institution’s maximum limitation on contests or dates of competition. *(Revised 5/27/09, 5/29/13)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** For the 2018-19 academic year, an institution shall limit its playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to nine (9) contests and one alumni scrimmage. *(Revised 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

**C. Nontraditional Segment**

**1. First Permissible Practice and Competition.** February 1.

**2. Nontraditional Season Length.** All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment is limited to a maximum of five weeks and shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution’s final examination period.

**3. Practice Opportunities.** The Conference permits a maximum of 16 practices with no more than four practices in any one week. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** The Conference permits one date of competition with outside competition that is counted toward the allowable 16 practices *(i.e. 15 practices + 1 DOC = 16; 16 practices + 0 DOC = 16)*. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**5. Class/Laboratory Time.** No class or laboratory time may be missed for practice or competition.

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference champion will be determined at a Conference championship meet.

**B. Tie-Breaker.** The NCAA regional tiebreaker will be used to decide the winner of a conference championship tie. The tiebreaker will compare the place finish of each team member 1-5 versus the respective competitors on the opposing team (Team A's first finisher versus Team B's first finisher, etc.). The winner is the team winning the majority (best of five) of the comparisons. If more than two teams are tied, the criteria will be applied in the same sequence until only one team remains. If the tie cannot be broken using the five-point system, the average time of each team's top five finishers will be used. *(Adopted 6/6/01)*

**C. Eligibility for Championship.** To be eligible for the Conference championship, a school must schedule a minimum of  
four Conference schools over two or more competitive dates during the regular season. *(Revised 6/3/98)*

**D. Suspension of Championship.** The liaison for the committee should be "on call" in the event that an unforeseen emergency causes the suspension of the championship. The liaison will serve as the administrative component in the decision-making process along with the administrators on the games committee. *(Adopted 5/31/06)*

**E. Weather Policy.** If the championship race has already begun and would have to be suspended in the middle of the competition:

**1. Women’s 6,000 Meter Race**. If competition is suspended before the 2,000 meters mark, the race may be continued with a   
 two-hour delay. If competition is suspended after 2,000 meters, the race should be postponed until the next day.

**2. Men’s 8,000 Meter Race**. If competition is suspended before the 3,000 meters mark, the race may be continued with a two-hour delay. If competition is suspended after 3,000 meters, the race should be postponed until the next day.

If necessary, competition may be postponed until Sunday with competition not starting before noon. *(Adopted 5/31/17)*

Section V - Regulations Governing Competition

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Entry Fees.** To defray the expense of operating Conference championship events, the following fee will be assessed: $12 per individual. Payable to the host institution, the fee must be received before that individual can compete. The deadline for entrants shall be at 11:59 p.m. on the Tuesday prior to the competition. *(Adopted 6/2/99; Revised 6/21/12; 5/27/15)*

In the event that a coach fails to enter his/her team(s) for the Conference Championship(s), the following actions shall occur:

1. The team(s) in question shall be allowed to compete

2. The timer, host school, Conference Office, and school in question will work to make sure entries are available for competition

3. The Conference Office shall notify the Athletic Director of the offending school by sending a letter of formal reprimand.

*(Revised 5/27/15)*

**B. Date/Site of Championship Meet.** The championship will be held two weeks before the NCAA Division III Regional meet.

Future Sites: 2018-Haverford, 2019-Gettysburg, 2020-Haverford, 2021-Johns Hopkins.

**C. Championship Meet Distance.** The men's championship will be conducted at 8,000 meters, while the women's championship will be conducted at 6,000 meters.

**D. Starting Times.** The starting times for the championship races should follow the NCAA meet order. *(Revised 5/31/17)*

**E. Number of Entrants.** Each school may enter up to 12 athletes with team scoring conducted under NCAA rules.

**F.** **Officials.** The host institution must have at least five (5) paid officials to ensure a first-class competition. The officials can be used to cover responsibilities such as starter, head timer, finish judge, finish line crew, scorer and course marshals.

**G. Junior Varsity Race.** A junior varsity race may be held in conjunction with the Conference championship at the discretion of the host institution. *(Adopted 6/2/99)*

**H. Finish-Line Camera.** The host site must have a finish-line camera as a minimum standard. *(Adopted 6/6/01)*

**I. Course Review.** The championship course must be made available for review for teams on the Friday prior to the meet.   
*(Adopted 6/6/01)*

J. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**K. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

Section VI - Championship Meet Expenses

The host institution should pay for all expenses and submit a Championship Expense Report Form to the Conference Office for reimbursement. If expenses are entirely covered through ticket sales and extra revenue remains, it will be returned to the Conference Office to offset deficits from other championships. If the expenses are not covered by the fees, the Conference Office will absorb the deficit, provided the host institution kept expenses within the budget guidelines.

Section VII - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** The first seven finishers at the conference championship meet will be named first-team All-Conference, while the second seven finishers will be named second-team All-Conference. The first finisher at the conference championship meet will be named Runner of the Year, while the first rookie finisher will be named Rookie of the Year. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his or her first year of competition. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**B. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will select an Athlete of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Revised 5/28/14)*

**C. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**D. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**E. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**F. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VIII – Calendar

**First Contest:** Friday, August 31

**Conference Championship:** Saturday, October 27, at Haverford, Pa.

**Committee Meeting:** Monday, November 26

**NCAA Championship Date Formula:** Final: The Saturday before Thanksgiving. Regional: The Saturday prior to the final.

**Future Centennial Conference Championships**

2018 – October 27 - Haverford

2019 – October 26 - Gettysburg

2020 – October 31 - Haverford

2021 – October 30 – Johns Hopkins

**Future NCAA Regionals**

2018 – November 10 – Center Valley, Pa. (DeSales University, host)

2019 – November 16 – TBA

2020 – November 14 – TBA

2021 – November 13 – TBA

**Future NCAA Championships**

2018 – November 17 – Lake Breeze GC, Oshkosh, Wis. (UW-Oshkosh, host)

2019 – November 23 – E.P. Sawyer State Park, Louisville, Ky. (Spalding, host)

2020 – November 21 – Cooper’s Lake Campground, Pittsburgh, Pa. (Carnegie Mellon, host)

2021 – November 20 – E.P. Sawyer State Park, Louisville, Ky. (Spalding, host)

Field Hockey

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in field hockey: Bryn Mawr, Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford, Johns Hopkins, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus and Washington College.

Section II - Field Hockey Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Kathy Tierney, Bryn Mawr

*Committee Chair:* Janelle Benner, Ursinus (term expires 9-2020)

*NCAA South Region Advisory Committee:* Megan Eddinger, Muhlenberg (term expires 9-2020)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in field hockey shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined). *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Permissible Practice.** A member institution shall not commence practice sessions before the date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition. A "unit" is a numerical value assigned to a particular calendar day within the application of the preseason practice formula that is used to determine the first permissible practice date for fall sports other than football. The number of units assigned to a particular day does not determine or limit the number of practices that may be conducted on that day. *(Adopted 5/4/09)*

**2. Determining the First Permissible Practice Date.** To determine the first permissible practice date, an institution shall count back a total of 16 units on a calendar starting with the day before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition, as follows:

a, Never assign any units to Sundays on the calendar; it is permissible to practice on Sundays;

b. Never assign any units to calendar days during the preseason when all institutional dormitories are closed, the institution's team must leave campus, and practice is not conducted;

c. The first six units: assign one unit to each of the six calendar days (not including Sunday) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition;

d. The remaining ten units:

i. Assign one unit to each calendar day (not including Sundays) that occurs on or after the opening day of classes for the fall term and

ii. Assign two units to each calendar day before the opening day of classes for the fall term (not including Sundays) until the sum of units on the calendar reaches 16;

e. The date on which the total count of units on the calendar reaches 16 is the first permissible date for preseason practice.  *(Adopted 5/4/09)*

**3. First Contest or Date of Competition.** September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. An institution may conduct an unlimited number of exhibitions or scrimmages on one date during the preseason practice period, which shall count as one contest in the institution’s maximum limitation on contests.   
*(Revised 5/27/09, 5/29/13)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** For the 2018-19 academic year, an institution shall limit its playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to 18 contests and one exempted alumni scrimmage. *(Revised 6/4/03, 5/31/17)*

**C. Nontraditional Segment**

**1. First Permissible Practice and Competition.** February 1.

**2. Nontraditional Season Length.** All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment is limited to a maximum of five weeks and shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution’s final examination period.

**3. Practice Opportunities.** The Conference permits a maximum of 16 practices with no more than four practices in any one week. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** The Conference permits one date of competition with outside competition that is counted toward the allowable 16 practices *(i.e. 15 practices + 1 DOC = 16; 16 practices + 0 DOC = 16)*. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**5. Class/Laboratory Time.** No class or laboratory time may be missed for practice or competition.

**6. Date of Competition Limitations.** A maximum of eight hours of athletically related activity may occur on the one date of competition for all participants. Further, competition activity on the one date must be included in the eight-hour maximum and is also limited to two regulation field hockey contests or 140 minutes of competition activity. *(Revised 4/17/07)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

*All NCAA championship rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference champion will be determined by a five-team playoff. The teams are determined by the most points earned in a single round-robin format. Two points will be awarded for a victory, one point for a tie and none for a defeat.

**First Round** (Wednesday): No. 5 seed at No. 4 seed.

**Semifinals** (Saturday at No. 1 seed): 4-5 winner at No. 1 seed; No. 2 seed vs. No. 3 seed. Top seed determines the order of   
semifinal games in consultation with Conference Office.

**Championship** (Sunday at No. 1 seed): semifinal winners. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 6/9/04, 11/30/04)*

**B. Tournament Scheduling Conflicts**

If a school hosts two or more fall championship first-round games on the same day at the same unlighted venue, the visiting team that travels the farthest will play its game on Wednesday. The visiting team that is closer will play its game on Tuesday. Mileage matrix determined by the Conference Office.

If the facility has lights, the team traveling the farthest plays the second game on that day.

If there are three fall championship first-round games at the same venue (men's soccer, women's soccer, field hockey), the visiting soccer team that is closest will play its game on Tuesday. The other two games will be played on Wednesday with the order determined by mileage (closest first, farthest second).

If one school hosts two championships on the same venue at an unlighted facility *(example: Haverford soccer)*, the semifinals between the No. 2 and No. 3 seeds in both tournaments will be hosted by the No. 2 seed. Both championship games will be played at the highest remaining seed. If both championship games are played at the No. 1 seed, the order will be determined by mileage (closest first, farthest second).

If one school hosts a championship for both genders at the same venue *(example: men's and women's soccer)*, in odd-numbered years, the men's tournament will by played Friday and Saturday, while the women's tournament will be played Saturday and Sunday. In even-numbered years, the women's tournament will be played Friday and Saturday, while the men's tournament will be played Saturday and Sunday.

If field hockey conflicts with either soccer tournament, substitute hockey for the gender not represented. *(example: in 2018, Johns Hopkins hosts field hockey and women's soccer: women’s soccer plays Friday-Saturday, field hockey plays Saturday-Sunday)*

If the tournament conflicts with a home football game, the tournament may be scheduled for Friday night and Saturday night.

*(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**C. Tie-Breaking Formulas**

1. Head-to-Head Conference competition.

2. Team with best record vs. 1st place team, 2nd place team, etc. until tie is broken.

3. Goal-differential: An extra point shall be awarded for each goal a team wins by up to a maximum of three goals in games among tied teams (example: 4-1 is worth three points, 4-2 is worth two, 5-1 is worth three).

4. Goal-differential: An extra point shall be awarded for each goal a team wins by up to a maximum of three goals in all Conference games (example: 4-1 is worth three points, 4-2 is worth two, 5-1 is worth three).

5. Coin flip by Executive Director. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 5/31/17)*

When any secondary criteria in a multiple-team tie favors one team over the others, that team earns the seed and is removed from the tie-breaker. Re-apply the criteria to all remaining teams, starting with the Conference's primary tiebreaker for all sports (head-to-head Centennial competition). *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 5/27/15)*

**D. Starting Times.** With certain exceptions for multiple events at one venue or economic concerns, semifinals should start no earlier than noon and the Sunday final no later than 2 p.m. The start time for the first-round (midweek) tournament game shall be determined by the host but shall be no earlier than 4 p.m. and not later than 7 p.m. *(Adopted 6/1/11; Revised 5/28/14)*

First Round (Wednesday): No earlier than 4 p.m. and not later than 7 p.m.

Semifinals (Saturday): 12:00 and 70 minutes following conclusion of first semifinal.

Championship (Sunday): 1:00.

Conflicts will be worked out between the committee chair and the Conference Office. Travel expense and time will be taken into consideration for start times and order of semifinal games. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 6/6/01; 6/9/04; 6/1/0; 5/28/14)*

**E. Inclement Weather**. Guidelines governing championship administration are as follows: 1) Semifinal games must be played back-to-back. 2) Designated start times would be no earlier than 11 a.m., and no later than 7 p.m. 3) All games would be played on the same surface. 4) If these criteria could not be met by the #1 seed, then the Conference would look to the #2 seed to host.   
*(Adopted 6/6/01)*

F. Incomplete Tournament. If the championship tournament cannot be completed and each team has completed at least one tournament contest, the highest remaining seed will be the Conference's champion and automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament. Otherwise, the top seed as determined by the regular season will receive the automatic qualifier.   
*(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/9/04)*

**G. Practice at Championship Site**

1. No practice will be permitted at the championship site (host team excluded) prior to game day.

2. No practice on the game field prior to the semifinals.

3. Prior to a single outdoor championship event, the facility will be made available for official warm-ups 45 minutes

prior to the start of play. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**H. Bench Areas.** The host institution – or higher seed at a neutral site – is the designated home team and will use the host institution's bench.

**I. Game Ball.** The *Penn Monto Elite* smooth ball is the official ball for the NCAA Division III championship. The Kookaburra smooth ball is the ball for grass, artificial-filled surfaces and turf surfaces not watered. The Kookaburra standard dimple ball will be the ball for non-filled watered artificial surfaces. The color of the ball will be white, unless mutually agreed upon by the games committee and the coaches. The home team shall supply 75 balls at the start of the designated warm-up time, consistent with the required game ball, and 20 cones for conference opponents to use for their pre-game warm-up. *(Revised 5/30/12, 5/27/15, 6/1/16)*

**J. Uniforms.** Participants in the championship shall wear exclusively the official uniform of their institution in competition and during related ceremonies. Each team must have two sets of shirts and socks, one light set and one dark set. The higher seed will wear its dark uniforms, while the lower seed will wear its light uniforms.

**K. Field Measurements.** All fields that do not have a natural barrier between the spectators and the field (i.e. track) should rope off an area five yards between the spectators and the field.

**L. Game Staffing.** The host institution shall provide all table personnel for the first-round, both semifinal and championship games, including: an announcer, two clock operators, official scorer, and statisticians. Table personnel should be experienced and knowledgeable of the game of field hockey. If students serve in this capacity, there must be adult supervision (other than the tournament director) at all times. The host institution should provide the same for the first-round game as well. For Conference tournament games, it is required that a minimum of four (4) ball runners be provided per contest. *(Revised 5/30/12)*

**M. Programs.** The host institution is responsible for an appropriate number of game programs for the championship.

**N. Pregame Schedule.** All teams are guaranteed a minimum of 45 minutes of warm-up on the game field.

First Round / Semifinal No. 1

*Actual Time Game Clock*

5:50 / 10:50 62:00 Teams may begin warm-up; stick check

6:40 / 11:40 12:00 Captains and umpires meet

6:52 / 11:52 0:00 Field is cleared; Introduction of teams

6:57 / 11:57 0:00 Reading of Conference Sportsmanship statement; National Anthem

7:00 / 12:00 35:00 Game begins

Semifinal No. 2

Seventy (70) minutes are placed on the clock immediately at the conclusion of the first semifinal. A minimum of 45 minutes should be available for warm-up prior to the start of the second semifinal.

Final

*Actual Time Game Clock*

11:50 62:00 Teams may begin warm-up; stick check

12:40 12:00 Captains and umpires meet

12:52 0:00 Field is cleared; Introduction of teams

12:57 0:00 Reading of Conference Sportsmanship statement; National Anthem

1:00 35:00 Game begins

Section V - Regulations Governing Competition

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Starting Times.** All Conference games played after daylight savings time has ended are to start no later than 3 p.m. on a weekday. After October 1, unless mutually agreed upon, contest will begin no later than 4 p.m. unless the facility has lights. An institution with lighted facilities may schedule night games that may start no later than 8 p.m.  
*(Revised 6/4/97; Revised 6/1/05; Revised 5/31/06)*

Pre-Game Schedule (example: 12 noon start)

10:50 a.m. clock starts at 62:00; teams may begin warm-up

11:52 a.m. field is cleared; teams return to benches; pre-game introductions; national anthem

12:00 p.m. game begins

**B. Warm-Up.** During the regular season, teams will have the full 62 minutes of warm-up time with the exception of conflicting competitions (not to include practices) on a multi-use field. In such a situation, each team will be given a minimum of 45 minutes of warm-up time with an additional eight minutes allotted for pre-game announcements and national anthem. *(Adopted 5/28/08)*

**C. Official Ball.** The official game ball will be the same one as designated by the NCAA for its championships - Penn Monto Elite Turf (term expires 8/30/2020)

**D. Officials.** In order for a Conference game to be played, two officials must be present. If only one official is present, the game will be repeated at the same site unless it was determined that the home team was at fault. Then, the opposite site will be used.

**E. Coordinator of Officiating.** Lois Pinto will serve as the Coordinator of Officials for the 2017, 2018 and 2019 seasons.   
*(Adopted 5/28/14, Revised 5/31/17)*

**2017 2018 2019**

Game Fee \* $175 $180 $180

Scrimmage Fee $87.50 $90 $90

Championship Fee $190 $195 $195

Coordinator Fee $230 $230 $235

*\* travel fee over 100 miles round trip - $20*

**F. Minimum Standards for Hosting Conference Contests.** The home team should meet minimum requirements for hosting a Conference game –– a visible scoreboard; a backup clock and flip cards for scoring; a horn at the scorers' table; an official NCAA score sheet; substitution cards; drinking water present at benches 30 minutes prior to contests; extra balls placed behind goals. The home team is responsible for supplying a trained timer while each team shall have a trained scorer who travels with them to all games. *(Adopted 6/7/95, Revised 6/2/99)*

**G. Postponed Games.** All postponed Conference games will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play, a postponed Conference game will be rescheduled for the next available date and shall have priority over non-Conference games.

**H. Cut-Off Date.** The cut-off date for the completion of Conference regular-season competition is 6 p.m. on the Sunday prior to the championship. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**I. Scouting Information.** Scouting information (film, tape, written or verbal information) about Centennial Conference schools may not be shared with non-Conference opponents. *(Adopted 6/3/98)*

**J. Length of Grass.** The length of grass on the fields in the Centennial Conference should be maintained at 1 1/4" or less.   
*(Adopted 6/7/00)*

K. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**L. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**M. Game Staffing.** During regular season competition it is recommended that the host institution provide a minimum of four (4) ball runners per contest. For Conference tournament games, it is required that a minimum of four (4) ball runners be provided per contest. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**N. Film Exchange.** There is a mandatory video exchange between Centennial Conference members allowing for total access to all Conference and non-Conference video footage. Each Centennial school is required to share all Conference and non-Conference games via the Centennial Conference Open Exchange Video Library (i.e. Krossover, Hudl, Synergy, etc.). Centennial coaches will use the video exchange system that is agreed upon by the Centennial Field Hockey coaches committee. Coaches agree to the following video guidelines and upload times.

* All teams are responsible for making video available within 24 hours of the conclusion of the game. If the game is played on Sunday, video must be made available by 1 p.m. on Monday.
* Audio is not required at this time.
* If the home institution is unable to upload film, it is responsible for notifying the Conference about an alternative film exchange.

Additionally, there will be no exchange of verbal and written scouting reports, etc., with out-of-conference opponents.  
*(Adopted 5/28/14, Revised 6/1/16, 5/30/18)*

Section V - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** At the conclusion of the regular season, the conference coaches will select an All-Conference team. The team will comprise of 10 field players and a goalkeeper. It is recommended that coaches nominate no more than seven players for the All-Conference team. The coaches will also select a Player of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year. *(Revised 6/7/00, 6/9/04, 5/31/17)*

**1. Nominations.** At the conclusion of the regular season, each coach of a participating Conference school should submit nominations of his/her athletes to be considered for All-Centennial status. No Conference-wide limit is made to the number of nominations that can be made for All-Conference consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Some sport committees may establish maximums for the number of nominees. Only one player may be nominated for Player of the Year status.

**2.** **Nomination Form.** The nomination form will include (1) coach's rank; (2) player name; (3) jersey number; (4) position(s). Nominees may be listed as multiple-field position players, if applicable (i.e. M/F). Goalkeepers will be listed, but not be ranked and player of the year nominees will be listed separately at the bottom of the form. The ballot will list nominees in the following order: (1) alphabetically by school; (2) player rank. *(Revised 5/26/10)*

**3. Voting Procedure.** Shortly after the conclusion of the regular season and prior to the start of the championship tournament, voting for All-Centennial teams should be concluded. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, and a Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be returned to the Director of Sports Information and sent via email or FAX to the Conference Office.

**4. Determination of All-Conference Team.** Two (2) points will be awarded for a 1st team vote and one (1) point for a 2nd team vote. Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-Centennial status. Ties will be broken in favor of the candidate with the highest number of 1st team votes. If the tie is still not broken, additional players may be added to the All-Star team. Any athlete receiving four (4) points will be assured of at least honorable mention status.

**5. Determination of Offensive Player of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year.** For Offensive and Defensive Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Revised 5/31/17)*

**6. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. Balloting will be conducted at the annual committee meeting (effective through 2013). *(Revised 5/27/09)*

**7. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**B. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize an Offensive and Defensive Player of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Revised 5/31/06)*

**C. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**D. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**E. Championship Tournament MVP.** The Conference will select a most valuable player (MVP) of the championship tournament. The Conference Office will determine the process for selection. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**F. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VI – Calendar

**First Contest:** Friday, August 31

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Sunday, October 28

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Wednesday, October 31

**Conference Tournament:** Wednesday-Saturday-Sunday, October 31, November 3-4

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, November 13

NCAA Championship Tournament Date Formula. The championship semifinals and final are scheduled for the Saturday-Sunday before Thanksgiving. Second- and third-round games are held the weekend before the finals; and first-round games are held the Wednesday before the second- and third-round games.

Future NCAA Championships

2018 – November 17-18 – Spooky Nook Sports, Manheim, Pa. (Centennial Conference, Middle Atlantic Conference, hosts)

2019 – November 23-24 – Spooky Nook Sports, Manheim, Pa. (Centennial Conference, Middle Atlantic Conference, hosts)

2020 – November 21-22 – Sprague Field, Montclair, N.J. (Montclair State, host)

2021 – November 20-21 – Hendrix Warrior Field, Conway, Ark. (Hendrix, host)

Football

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in football: Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg,   
Johns Hopkins, Juniata, McDaniel, Moravian, Muhlenberg, Susquehanna and Ursinus.

Section II - Football Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Mike Mattia, Gettysburg

*Committee Chair:* Jeff Pukszyn, Moravian (term expires 11-2019)

*NCAA South Region Advisory Committee:* Jim Margraff, Johns Hopkins (term expires 9-2020)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in football shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks between the start of preseason practice and the end of the regular playing season. This 18-week period includes preseason practice activities. *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment**

**1. First Practice Date.** A member institution shall not commence official preseason football practice sessions for the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team before the date that will permit a maximum of 25 practice opportunities before its first scheduled intercollegiate game. *(Revised 4/25/03)*

**a. Practice Opportunities.** In football only, to establish the starting date for preseason practice, the institution shall count one practice opportunity for each day beginning with the opening day of classes and one practice opportunity for each day classes are not in session in the week of the first scheduled intercollegiate contest. Next, the institution shall count practice opportunities on an alternating basis in a two-one-two-one format (i.e., the first of the remaining days is counted as two, the next day is counted as one, the next as two, etc.) up to and including the 20th opportunity. Finally, the institution shall count one practice opportunity for each of the five days prior to the day of the 20th opportunity. The institution shall not count any days during the preseason when all institutional dormitories are closed, the institution's team must leave campus and practice is not conducted.

**b. Sunday.** Sundays prior to the institution's opening day of classes are included in the counting. Sundays subsequent to the institution's opening day of classes are excluded from the counting.

**c.** **Week.** The "week" of the first scheduled intercollegiate contest is defined as the six days, including or excluding Sunday pursuant to NCAA Bylaw 17.9.2.1.1.1, before the first contest (or before Friday if the first contest is the Thursday before Labor Day, see NCAA Bylaw 17.9.3) even if one or more of the days fall into different traditional calendar weeks.

**2. First Contest.** A member institution shall not play its first contest (game) with outside competition prior to the Friday or Saturday 11 weeks before the first round of the NCAA Division III Football Championship. An institution may play its first contest on the Thursday before Labor Day in years when the first permissible contest date falls during the Labor Day weekend.

**3. Preseason Joint Practice, Scrimmage or Exhibition.** One preseason joint practice (may include competition), scrimmage or exhibition may be conducted during the preseason practice period against an outside team provided neither team misses class. *(Revised 4/17/12)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** An institution shall limit its total regular-season playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to 10 contests, except for those contests excluded in the *NCAA Manual*.

**C. Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities.** An institution is permitted to conduct conditioning and strength training sessions and limited skill instruction during a consecutive five-week period outside the playing season. During this five-week period, the institution may conduct athletically related activity on a maximum of 16 days with not more than four days of athletically related activity in any one week. Any athletically related activity shall constitute the use of a day. Skill instruction during this period shall be limited to passing, catching and kicking-related drills. Such instruction may include offensive and defensive alignments, but may not involve contact. Except for footballs, the use of helmets, pads, blocking sleds or any other form of sport-related equipment is prohibited. No missed class time is permitted for these sessions and the institution shall conclude all athletically related activities not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution’s final examination period. *(Revised 6/4/03, 1/11/08, 6/1/11)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference champion will be based on the best won-lost record in a single round-robin season.

**B. Ties for First Place.** In case of a tie for first place at the conclusion of the regular season, multiple champions will be named.

**C. Determining the NCAA Tournament Representative**

1. Head-to-Head competition;

2. Results against 3rd place team, 4th place team, etc. until tie is broken;

3. Strength-of-schedule criteria, as determined by the NCAA Championships Committee formula, for all games;

* Opponents’ Average Winning Percentage (OWP)
* Opponents’ Opponents’ Average Winning Percentage (OOWP)

Opponents’ Average Winning Percentage (OWP). Take each opponent’s regular won-lost percentage against other Division III teams (excluding the results against the team in question) and average the percentages. To calculate: Team A Schedule is as follows:

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Opponent | Record | vs Team A | Revised Record | Revised W-L Percentage |
| Team B | 21-7 | 0-1 | 21-6 | .7778 |
| Team C | 11-15 | 0-1 | 11-14 | .4400 |
| Team D | 7-20 | 0-1 | 7-19 | .2692 |
| Team E | 13-13 | 0-1 | 13-12 | .5200 |
| Team F | 23-6 | 1-0 | 22-6 | .7857 |
| Total |  |  | 74-56 (.5692) | .5585 (OWP) |

Team A’s Opponents’ Average Winning Percentage = .5585

Opponents’ Opponents’ Average Winning Percentage (OOWP). The strength of each opponents’ schedule is measured by computing the opponents’ winning percentage for each opponent, then averaging the percentages. This recognizes the fact that two opponents with similar won-lost records may have played far different schedules (in terms of strength of opponents).

To calculate: Take Team B, C, D, E and F schedules and perform the same calculation as above (OWP). It is important to note that the OOWP will support the OWP (i.e., if Teams A and B have the same OWP of .5692; Team A has a OOWP of .6125 and Team B has a OOWP of .4567; it would indicate team A has the stronger strength of schedule).

4. Team with the fewest overall losses;

5. The most recent team representing the Conference as its automatic qualifier shall be eliminated and the remaining teams shall revert to the Conference’s primary tie-breaking criteria (head-to-head competition).

When any secondary criteria in a multiple-team tie favors one team over the others, that team earns the seed and is removed from the tie-breaker. Re-apply the criteria to all remaining teams, starting with the Conference's primary tiebreaker for all sports (head-to-head Centennial competition). *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 5/27/15)*

**D. Centennial/MAC Bowl Series**. The top three teams from the Conference that do not qualify for the NCAA tournament will play same from the Middle Atlantic Conference in the Centennial/MAC Bowl Series. The suggested pairings will be 1v1, 2v2 and 3v3, with provisions to alter the matchups should regular-season rematches be imminent. The Centennial will host games involving the #1 and #3 seeds in even-numbered years (2018, 2020) and the #2 seed in odd-numbered years (2019).   
*(Adopted 6/1/16; Revised 5/30/18)*

Section V - Regulations Governing Competition

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Starting Times.** Starting times for Centennial Conference games shall be 1 p.m. or 1:30 p.m. on Saturdays, and no later than 7:30 p.m. on Fridays. It is recommended that games during Standard Time begin no later than 1 p.m. In order to avoid overnight trips, start times may be changed upon mutual agreement by both institutions. *(Revised 5/27/09)*

**B. Official Ball.** The official football for Centennial Conference games is the NCAA-approved football - Wilson F1001, F1003, F1004, F1005, GST. *(Revised 5/30/12)*

**C. Sideline Phones.** Visiting teams must supply their own headsets. *(Revised 5/30/12)*

**D. Scouting / Video Exchange.** There is a mandatory video exchange between Centennial Conference members allowing for total access to all Conference and non-Conference video footage. Each Centennial school is required to share all Conference and non-Conference games via the Centennial Conference Open Exchange Video Library (i.e. Krossover, Hudl, Synergy, etc.). Centennial coaches will use the video exchange system that is agreed upon by the Centennial Football coaches committee. Coaches agree to the following video guidelines and upload times. For scouting purposes, it is expected that all imaging that is exchanged:

1. Live scouting is prohibited of Conference opponents during the regular season;
2. Includes complete games;

3. Is of HD quality, using an HD camera 1920x1080;

4. Includes end-zone imaging;

5. For wide (press box side) imaging, the camera should start with the offensive huddle break, or seven seconds before the   
 snap of the ball for no-huddle teams, and must include all 22 players at all times during the play;

6. For end-zone imaging at a recommended height of 25 feet, the camera should show two yards outside the end player on either

side of the offensive and defensive line;

7. On hudl.com exchange, the video should have series, ODK, down, distance, yard-line, play type and result (gain/loss).

8. Hudl.com is the official internet distribution network for the Conference for the 2018 season.  
 *(Revised 5/27/09, 5/30/12, 5/30/17)*

**E. Suspension of Games.** The sole authority for suspending a game for any reason is the referee. If a game is suspended for severe weather or another unforeseen circumstance before completion of four quarters, the directors of athletics shall work in consultation with the Conference Office about the resumption of the game at a later date or termination of the contest. If the game is suspended due to darkness during an overtime period, the score at the time of suspension will stand and could result in a tie.   
*(Adopted 10/16/96)*

**F. Officials.** All Conference games should use seven officials. The Centennial Conference Football Officials Association (CCFOA) is the official assigning unit for Centennial Conference football games for 2018-19-20. *(Adopted 6/2/99; Revised 6/9/04, 1/7/07, 5/28/08, 6/1/11, 5/28/14, 6/1/16, 5/30/18)*

**2018 2019 2020**

Officials (varsity game) $210 $210 $215

Officials (JV game) $85 $85 $85

Officials (scrimmage) $60 $60 $60

Coordinator Fee (per institution) $350 $400 $450

**G.** **25-Second Clocks.** All Conference stadiums must have two visible 25-second clocks. *(Adopted 6/7/00)*

H. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

I. Pre-Game Schedule *(prior to 1 p.m. start)*

11:30 a.m. Field available for teams; Officials meet with head coaches

12:30 p.m. Officials meet with field staff

12:45 Teams leave field

12:55 Coin Toss

12:57 National Anthem

1:00 Kickoff

It is understood this schedule could be modified to accommodate special activities associated with the game.

**J. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

Section V - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** At the conclusion of the regular season, the conference coaches will select an All-Conference team. The team will comprise of an offensive and defensive team. The offense will generally have (2) Wide Receivers, (1) Tight End/H-Back, (4) Tackles and Guards, (1) Center, (1) Quarterback, (2) Running Backs and (1) Place-kicker. The defense will generally have (4) Linemen, (4) Linebackers, (4) Backs, (1) Punter and (1) Kick Returner. The coaches will also select an Offensive and Defensive Player of the Year. *(Revised 5/28/14)*

**1. Nominations.** Approximately seven days before the conclusion of the regular season, each coach of a participating Conference school should submit nominations of his/her athletes to be considered for All-Centennial status. No Conference-wide limit is made to the number of nominations that can be made for All-Conference consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Some sport committees may establish maximums for the number of nominees. Only one player may be nominated for Player of the Year status.

**2. Voting Procedure.** Shortly after the conclusion of the regular season, voting for All-Centennial teams should be concluded. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, and a Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be delivered to the Conference Office.

**3. Determination of All-Conference Team.** Two (2) points will be awarded for a 1st team vote and one (1) point for a 2nd team   
vote. Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-Centennial status. Ties will be broken in favor of the candidate with the highest number of 1st team votes. If the tie is still not broken, additional players may be added to the All-Star team. Any athlete receiving four (4) points will be assured of at least honorable mention status.

**4. Determination of Player of the Year.** For Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**5. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**6. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**B. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize an Offensive, Defensive and Special Teams Player of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Revised 6/9/04)*

**C. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**D. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**E. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VI - Calendar

**First Contest:** Thursday, August 30

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Sunday, November 4

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Monday, November 12

**Committee Meeting:** Monday, November 19

**NCAA Championship Date Formula:** First Round is played on the next-to-last Saturday in November. Final: Third Friday/Saturday in December.

**Future NCAA Championships**

2018 – December 15 – Woodforest Stadium, Shenandoah, Texas (Mary Hardin-Baylor, host)

2019 – December 21 – Woodforest Stadium, Shenandoah, Texas (Mary Hardin-Baylor, host)

2020 – December 19 – Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium, Canton, Ohio (Ohio Athletic Conference, host)

2021 – December 18 – Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium, Canton, Ohio (Ohio Athletic Conference, host)

Golf (M)

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in golf: Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore and Ursinus.

Section II - Golf Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Jeff Stoudt, Franklin & Marshall

*Committee Chair:* John Librick, Muhlenberg (term expires 9-2020)

*NCAA Mid-Atlantic Regional Advisory Committee:* Scott Moyer, McDaniel (term expires 9-2021)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in golf shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks.   
*(Adopted 1/12/04; Revised 4/11/11)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Permissible Practice.** The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first permissible date of competition (as opposed to the institution’s first date of competition). *(Revised 6/4/03, 4/11/11)*

**2. First Permissible Competition.** Fall: September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. Spring: March 1. Exhibition scrimmages may be conducted during the preseason practice period. If the March 1 falls on a Sunday, the preceding Saturday is permissible as the first date of competition with no prohibition during the ensuing week. If March 1 falls on a Monday through Friday, teams may compete on the previous weekend in lieu of competition during that week. Teams that utilize this option are prohibited from scheduling a game or scrimmage during the following weekdays (Sunday-Friday). In the event an institution's spring break begins prior to March 1, the first date of competition may be played on the first day of spring break. *(Revised 6/4/03; 9/23/05; 5/28/08; 5/27/09; 4/11/11; 5/29/13)*

**3. Maximum Limitations.** An institution shall limit its playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to 18 dates of competition and one alumni scrimmage*.* If a member institution is invited to participate in the fall National Preview Tournament that is played on the NCAA championship course, the institution may receive a waiver to participate. *(Revised 6/4/03, 5/30/12, 5/31/17)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The conference champion will be determined at a 54-hole championship tournament.

**B. Sudden-Death Playoff Procedure**. If conditions warrant, team ties shall be broken by a sudden-death playoff counting the low four scores relative to par on each hole. Play shall continue with new scoring on each successive hole until a winner is determined. The games committee will determine the starting holes. If a playoff involves more than two teams, a shotgun format shall be used. The team playoff will be conducted first, with the playoff for individual spots to follow immediately after the conclusion of the team playoff. Once the shotgun sudden-death format is started, that format shall be used until a winner is determined.   
  
Teams will draw for positions. For a two-team playoff, the winner of the draw shall have the option of the A or B positions set forth below. For a playoff involving more than two teams, the teams shall assume the drawn letter position (A, B, C, etc.) set forth below:

Two teams (A & B; tee off alternately)

#5A #5B #4A #4B #3A playoff hole #1

#3B #2A #2B #1A #1B playoff hole #1

Three Teams (Shotgun Format)

A#5 B#5 C#5 playoff hole #5

A#4 B#4 C#4 playoff hole #4

A#3 B#3 C#3 playoff hole #3

A#2 B#2 C#2 playoff hole #2

A#1 B#1 C#1 playoff hole #1

Players will play the numbered position they held at the start of the tournament. The format in pairings for a playoff of four or more teams shall be consistent with the foregoing format as determined by the games committee.

**C. Non-Sudden-Death Procedure**. If conditions do not warrant a sudden-death playoff, ties for the team championship will be broken to determine the Conference's automatic NCAA qualifier using the following procedure:

1. Cumulative total of the non-counting scores (add the fifth - non-counting - score from each round)

2. Highest cumulative individual total

3. Second highest cumulative individual total

4. Third highest cumulative individual total

5. Fourth highest cumulative individual total

6. Lowest cumulative individual total

7. Board of Delegates decision.

If the Conference championship cannot be played, the lowest Centennial team score at the McDaniel College Spring Invitational would receive the Conference’s automatic qualifier to the NCAA Championship.   
*(Adopted 3/20/07; Revised 5/26/10, 6/1/11, 5/29/13)*

**B. Eligibility for Championship.** To be eligible for the Conference championship, schools must schedule a minimum of three (3) Conference schools during the spring regular season.

**C. Incomplete Tournament.** The final round of the championship may be continued on Monday if the tournament is not played on the weekend of NCAA championship selection and does not conflict with participating institutions’ final examination schedules.   
*(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**D. Course Requirements.** The Conference Office will develop a standard contract that will include all course requirements for the championship and also develop a Tournament Director position with responsibilities. *(Adopted 5/30/18)*

**E. Officials.** A minimum of three certified officials (PA Golf Association, USGA or other certifying group) should be contracted by the Conference Office at least six months in advance of the championship. *(Adopted 5/30/18)*

Section V - Regulations Governing Championship

*All USGA rules apply unless noted below.*

**A. Site and Date of Championship.**2018-19: Muhlenberg (April 26-27-28, 2019)

2020-21: Franklin & Marshall

2022-23: Gettysburg

2024-25: Ursinus

2026-27: Dickinson

2028-29: Swarthmore  
2030-31: McDaniel

**B. Number of Entrants.** Each school may bring five (5) qualifying players to the tournament with the low four (4) scores of each 18 holes counting towards the team score.

**C. Entries.** Entries are due on Tuesday at 4 p.m. EDT prior to the championship with substitutions available up to one hour before the first tee time of the championship. *(Revised 5/27/09)*

**D. Pairings.** Pairings in the first round of the championship will be based on the previous year’s finish. The first wave will consist of teams that finished 4-5-6-7, while the second wave will consist of teams that finished 1-2-3.   
*(Adopted 6/5/96; Revised 5/26/10, 6/1/16)*

**E. Incomplete Tournament.** If the tournament is not played on the weekend of the NCAA championship selection, the final round of the tournament may be continued on Monday if it does not conflict with participating institutions’ final examination schedules.

*(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**F. Individual First-Place Tie.** In the event of a tie for medalist honors, a sudden death playoff will be contested, conditions permitting.

**G. Attire.** All players must wear proper golf attire and should wear a shirt with a team logo or insignia.

H. Carts. As a general rule, players must walk the course at the Centennial Conference championship and at most qualifying rounds. Consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), a disabled player may be permitted to use a golf cart as an accommodation to his or her disability for those events where golf carts are not allowed. As required by the ADA, the Conference Office will evaluate such requests on a case-by-case basis.

In order for the Centennial Conference to properly evaluate the merits of such requests, while maintaining the fundamental fairness of the golf competition, it is necessary for players requesting this accommodation to submit medical documentation to facilitate that analysis. The documentation provided must demonstrate: (1) a player’s disability as defined by the ADA (temporary conditions may not be covered); (2) the medical need for the golf cart that results from that disability; and (3) that by providing a golf cart to a player in that particular circumstances, the Centennial Conference would not be fundamentally altering the fairness of the competition by providing a player with an advantage over other players. *(Adopted 5/28/14)*

I. Equipment. Players and coaches will be required to use nonmetal, spiked shoes during championship competition. Electronic measuring devices calculating distance only are permitted for use during the competition rounds. Devices that measure other variables (e.g. slope) are not permissible and may not be used even if the particular feature may be turned off.

J. Games Committee. The games committee will be comprised of four head coaches, including the host, and will make all decisions pertaining to the conduct of the tournament, including, but not limited to, pairings, golf course setup, and protests.

K. Lineups and Substitutions. During registration prior to the opening round, the head coach must submit his or her lineup according to playing position one hour prior to the team's first official tee time. The five contestants from each institution must be determined by the conclusion of registration. A player may be substituted before the first tee time of his team of the first round, if the head coach notifies the games committee and the Conference Office before the first tee time. The substitute must assume the position of the replaced player. Teams are permitted to reorder lineups as desired for the second and third rounds of the championship.   
*(Revised 6/1/16)*

L. Spectators. Spectators should remain on cart paths or in the rough, and approximately 15 yards from the players. There may be no communication between players and spectators that could be deemed advice of any nature for the duration of the 18 holes. All institutional personnel, including assistant coaches, with the exception of the designated coach, are considered spectators.

M. Uniforms. Contestants, including the designated coach, must wear uniforms of the same color during competition or practice. Walking or Bermuda shorts are permitted, provided they are team shorts and are of the same color. Slacks or shorts may be worn at the individual’s discretion, provided they are the same color and are considered the team uniform. If a student-athlete wears headgear during competition, it must display only an institutional, conference or NCAA logo, or no logo. If there is no logo, team members' headgear must be of an institutional color.

**N. Championship Practice Rounds.** Teams are prohibited from having a practice round on the championship course on the day before the championship tournament. *(Adopted 6/5/96; Revised 6/1/05)*

**O. Alcoholic Beverages.** No alcoholic beverages will be served to contestants regardless of age and that alcoholic beverages are prohibited at any time during the Conference tournament. *(Adopted 6/15/94)*

P. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**Q. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

R. Advice Coach. In accordance with the Note to Rule 8 of the Rules of Golf, each team may appoint one person who may give advice to members of that team provided that:  
  
1. Such person is designated by the institution’s athletic department to perform coaching duties and who serves in that capacity  
 on a volunteer or paid basis; and  
2. He must be identified to the committee before giving advice. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VI - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** The first (5) finishers at the conference championship tournament will be named All-Conference. The medalist will be named Player of the Year. The top rookie finisher will be named Rookie of the Year. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his or her first year of competition. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**B. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**C. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**D. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**E. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**F. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize a Player of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Adopted 5/28/14)*

Section VII – Calendar

**First Spring Contest:** Saturday, February 23

**Committee Meeting:** Friday, April 26

**Conference Tournament:** Friday-Saturday-Sunday, April 26-27-28 (Muhlenberg, host)

**NCAA Championship Date Calculation Formula**: Second full week in May (Sunday-Saturday) with competition conducted Tuesday-Friday.

**Future NCAA Championships**

2019 – May 14-17 – Keene Trace GC, Nicholasville, Ky. (Transylvania, host)

2020 – May 12-15 – PGA National Resort – Champions Course, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. (Emory, host)

2021 – May 11-14 – Oglebay Resort & Conference Center, Wheeling, W.Va. (Presidents’ Athletic Conference, host)

2022 – May 10-13 – Mission Inn Resort and Club, Howey-in-the-Hills, Fla. (Oglethorpe, host)

Golf (W)

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in golf: Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Marymount, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Neumann, Ursinus.

Section II - Golf Committee

*Liaison to Delegates:* Becky Martin, McDaniel

*Committee Chair:* TBA (term expires 9-2021)

*NCAA East Region Advisory Committee:* Wes Hollis, Ursinus (term expires 9-2019)

Section III – Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in golf shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks.   
*(Adopted 1/12/04; Revised 4/11/11)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Permissible Practice.** The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first permissible date of competition (as opposed to the institution’s first date of competition). *(Revised 6/4/03; 4/11/11)*

**2. First Permissible Competition.** Fall: September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. Spring: March 1. Exhibition scrimmages may be conducted during the preseason practice period. If the March 1 falls on a Sunday, the preceding Saturday is permissible as the first date of competition with no prohibition during the ensuing week. If March 1 falls on a Monday through Friday, teams may compete on the previous weekend in lieu of competition during that week. Teams that utilize this option are prohibited from scheduling a game or scrimmage during the following weekdays (Sunday-Friday). In the event an institution's spring break begins prior to March 1, the first date of competition may be played on the first day of spring break. *(Revised 6/4/03; 9/23/05; 5/28/08; 5/27/09; 4/11/11; 5/29/13)*

**3. Maximum Limitations.** An institution shall limit its playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to 18 dates of competition and one alumni scrimmage*.* *(Revised 6/4/03, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The conference champion will be determined at a 36-hole championship tournament.

**B. Sudden-Death Playoff Procedure**. If conditions warrant, team ties shall be broken by a sudden-death playoff counting the low four scores relative to par on each hole. Play shall continue with new scoring on each successive hole until a winner is determined. The games committee will determine the starting holes. If a playoff involves more than two teams, a shotgun format shall be used. The team playoff will be conducted first, with the playoff for individual spots to follow immediately after the conclusion of the team playoff. Once the shotgun sudden-death format is started, that format shall be used until a winner is determined.   
  
Teams will draw for positions. For a two-team playoff, the winner of the draw shall have the option of the A or B positions set forth below. For a playoff involving more than two teams, the teams shall assume the drawn letter position (A, B, C, etc.) set forth below:

Two teams (A & B; tee off alternately)

#5A #5B #4A #4B #3A playoff hole #1

#3B #2A #2B #1A #1B playoff hole #1

Three Teams (Shotgun Format)

A#5 B#5 C#5 playoff hole #5

A#4 B#4 C#4 playoff hole #4

A#3 B#3 C#3 playoff hole #3

A#2 B#2 C#2 playoff hole #2

A#1 B#1 C#1 playoff hole #1

Players will play the numbered position they held at the start of the tournament. The format in pairings for a playoff of four or more teams shall be consistent with the foregoing format as determined by the games committee.

**C. Non-Sudden-Death Procedure**. If conditions do not warrant a sudden-death playoff, ties for the team championship will be broken to determine the Conference's automatic NCAA qualifier using the following procedure:

1. Cumulative total of the non-counting scores (add the fifth - non-counting - score from each round)

2. Highest cumulative individual total

3. Second highest cumulative individual total

4. Third highest cumulative individual total

5. Fourth highest cumulative individual total

6. Lowest cumulative individual total

7. Board of Delegates decision.

If the Conference championship cannot be played, the lowest Centennial team score at the Gettysburg College Fall Invitational would receive the Conference’s automatic qualifier to the NCAA Championship. *(Revised 5/30/12, 5/29/13)*

**B. Eligibility for Championship.** To be eligible for the Conference championship, schools must schedule a minimum of three (3) Conference schools during the spring regular season.

**C. Incomplete Tournament.** If the tournament is not played on the weekend of the NCAA championship selection, the final round of the tournament may be continued on Monday if it does not conflict with participating institutions’ final examination schedules.

*(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**D. Course Requirements.** The Conference Office will develop a standard contract that will include all course requirements for the championship and also develop a Tournament Director position with responsibilities. *(Adopted 5/30/18)*

**E. Officials.** A minimum of three certified officials (PA Golf Association, USGA or other certifying group) should be contracted by the Conference Office at least six months in advance of the championship. *(Adopted 5/30/18)*

Section V - Regulations Governing Championship

All USGA rules apply unless noted below.

**A. Site and Date of Championship.**

2018-19: Conestoga CC, Lancaster, Pa. (April 27-28, 2019)

2020-21: Muhlenberg

2022-23: Ursinus

2024-25: McDaniel

2026-27: Gettysburg

2028-29: Dickinson

2030-31: Franklin & Marshall

**B. Number of Entrants.** Each school may bring five (5) qualifying players to the tournament with the low four (4) scores of each 18 holes counting towards the team score.

**C. Pairings.** Pairings in the first round of the championship will be based on the previous year’s finish. The first wave will consist of teams that finished 4-5-6-7, while the second wave will consist of teams that finished 1-2-3.   
*(Adopted 6/5/96; Revised 5/26/10, 6/1/16)*

**D. Individual First Place Ties.** In the event of a tie for medalist honors, a sudden death playoff will be contested, conditions permitting.

**E. Attire.** All players must wear proper golf attire and should wear a shirt with a team logo or insignia.

F. Carts. As a general rule, players must walk the course at the Centennial Conference championship and at most qualifying rounds. Consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), a disabled player may be permitted to use a golf cart as an accommodation to his or her disability for those events where golf carts are not allowed. As required by the ADA, the Conference Office will evaluate such requests on a case-by-case basis.

In order for the Centennial Conference to properly evaluate the merits of such requests, while maintaining the fundamental fairness of the golf competition, it is necessary for players requesting this accommodation to submit medical documentation to facilitate that analysis. The documentation provided must demonstrate: (1) a player’s disability as defined by the ADA (temporary conditions may not be covered); (2) the medical need for the golf cart that results from that disability; and (3) that by providing a golf cart to a player in that particular circumstances, the Centennial Conference would not be fundamentally altering the fairness of the competition by providing a player with an advantage over other players. *(Adopted 5/28/14)*

G. Equipment. Players and coaches will be required to use nonmetal, spiked shoes during championship competition. The USGA one-ball rule (brand) will not be in effect. Electronic communication devices (e.g. cell phones, two-way radios, etc.) cannot be used on days of competition. Range finders that measure distance only may be used during the competition rounds.

H. Games Committee. The games committee will be comprised of three head coaches, including the host, and will make all decisions pertaining to the conduct of the tournament, including, but not limited to, pairings, golf course setup, and protests.

I. Lineups and Substitutions. During registration prior to the opening round, the head coach must submit his or her lineup according to playing position one hour prior to the team's first official tee time. The five contestants from each institution must be determined by the conclusion of registration. A player may be substituted before the first tee time of his team of the first round, if the head coach notifies the games committee and the Conference Office before the first tee time. The substitute must assume the position of the replaced player. Teams are permitted to reorder lineups as desired for the second and third rounds of the championship.   
*(Revised 6/1/6)*

J. Spectators. Spectators should remain on cart paths or in the rough and approximately 15 yards from the players. There may be no communication between players and spectators that could be deemed advice of any nature for the duration of the 18 holes. All institutional personnel, including assistant coaches, with the exception of the designated coach, are considered spectators.

K. Uniforms. Contestants must wear uniforms of the same color during competition or practice. Walking or Bermuda shorts are permitted, provided they are team shorts and are of similar color. Players may wear slacks or shorts at the individual’s discretion, provided they are of similar color and are considered the team uniform. If a student-athlete wears headgear during competition, it must display only an institutional, conference or NCAA logo, or no logo. If there is no logo, team members' headgear must be of an institutional color.

**L. Championship Practice Rounds.** Teams are prohibited from having a practice round on the championship course on the day before the championship tournament. *(Adopted 6/5/96; Revised 6/1/05)*

**M. Alcoholic Beverages.** No alcoholic beverages will be served to contestants regardless of age and that alcoholic beverages are prohibited at any time during the Conference tournament. *(Adopted 6/15/94)*

N. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

Section VI - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** The first (5) finishers at the conference championship tournament will be named All-Conference. The medalist will be named Player of the Year. The top rookie finisher will be named as Rookie of the Year. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his or her first year of competition. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**B. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**C. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**D. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**E. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**F. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize a Player of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Adopted 5/28/14)*

Section VII – Calendar

**First Spring Contest:** Saturday, February 23

**Committee Meeting:** Saturday, April 27

**Conference Tournament:** Saturday-Sunday, April 27-28 (Conestoga CC, Lancaster, Pa., Conference Office, host)

**NCAA Championship Date Calculation Formula:** Second Tuesday or Wednesday in May (Tuesday-Friday or Wednesday-Saturday)

**Future NCAA Championships**

2019 – May 14-17 – Bay Oaks CC, Houston, Texas (Mary Hardin-Baylor, host)

2020 – May 12-15 – PGA National Resort – Champions Course, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. (Emory, host)

2021 – May 11-14 – Forest Akers GC, Lansing, Mich. (Olivet, host)

2022 – May 10-13 – Woodlands CC, Houston, Texas (Mary Hardin-Baylor, Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference, hosts)

Lacrosse (M)

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in lacrosse: Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus and Washington College.

Section II - Men's Lacrosse Committee

*Liaison to Delegates:* Thad Moore, Washington College

*Committee Chair:* TBA (term expires 9-2019)

*NCAA South Region Advisory Committee:* Todd Cavallaro, Franklin & Marshall (term expires 9-2019)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in lacrosse shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks.   
*(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Practice or Competition.** A member institution shall not commence practice sessions before February 1.   
*(Revised 6/4/03)*

**2. First Contest or Date of Competition.** An institution shall not play its first contest against outside competition until the date that permits 11 regular-season Saturdays before the Centennial Conference tournament. Teams may schedule their scrimmage anytime after the first permissible day of practice. *(Revised 6/4/03, 9/23/05, 5/28/08, 5/27/09, 10/1/15)*

**3. Maximum Limitations.** For the 2018-19 academic year, an institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition to 17 dates of competition and one exempted alumni scrimmage. *(Revised 5/29/13, 6/1/16, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

**4. Classes in Session.** No more than 15 dates of competition may be played while classes are in session during the traditional segment. There is no limitation on games played during listed vacation periods. *(Adopted 6/4/03)*

**C. Nontraditional Segment**

**1. First Practice or Competition.** September 7 or institution’s first day of classes, whichever is earlier.

**2. Nontraditional Season Length.** All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment is limited to a maximum of five weeks and shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution’s final regular fall examination period.

**3. Practice Opportunities.** The Conference permits a maximum of 16 practices with no more than four practices in any one week. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** The Conference permits one date of competition with outside competition that is counted toward the allowable 16 practices *(i.e. 15 practices + 1 DOC = 16; 16 practices + 0 DOC = 16)*. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**5. Class/Laboratory Time.** No class or laboratory time may be missed for practice or competition.

**6. Date of Competition Limitations.** A maximum of eight hours of athletically related activity may occur on the one date of competition for all participants. Further, competition activity on the one date must be included in the eight-hour maximum and is also limited to two regulation lacrosse contests or 120 minutes of competition activity. *(Revised 4/17/07)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference champion will be determined by a four-team playoff. The teams will be determined by best won-loss record in a round-robin format. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 6/9/04)*

**Play-In Game***(if necessary)*: site determined by coin flip.

**Semifinals** (Wednesday at No. 1 seed): No. 4 seed at No. 1 seed; No. 3 seed at No. 2 seed.

**Championship** (Saturday at No. 1 seed): semifinal winners. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 6/9/04, 11/30/04, 5/30/12)*

**B. Tie-Breaking Formulas**

1. Head-to-Head Centennial Conference play among tied teams;

2. Record versus teams in descending order of standing;

3. Goal-differential in games among tied teams; if tie(s) still exist(s), then fewest goals allowed in games against teams

in descending order of standing;

4. if criteria 1-2-3 does not break the tie:

a. for the final playoff position, a play-in game will be held. The Executive Director will conduct a coin flip

to determine the site;

b. for other ties among playoff-bound teams, the Executive Director will conduct a coin flip to determine

playoff position. In the event of multiple ties, a random drawing will be held for the playoff positions.

When any secondary criteria in a multiple-team tie favors one team over the others, that team earns the seed and is removed from the tie-breaker. Re-apply the criteria to all remaining teams, starting with the Conference's primary tiebreaker for all sports (head-to-head Centennial competition). *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 5/27/15)*

**C. Tournament Dates.** The tournament should be held on the weekend of the NCAA tournament selection.   
*(Revised 6/5/02, 5/26/10, 6/1/11)*

D. Starting Times. The start time for the first-round (midweek) Conference tournament games in field hockey, soccer and lacrosse shall be determined by the host but shall be no earlier than 4 p.m. and not later than 7 p.m.   
*(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 6/6/01, 6/5/02, 6/9/04, 6/1/11, 5/30/12, 5/28/14)*

**Play-In**: TBA

**Semifinals** (Wednesday at No. 1 and 2 seeds): between 4 and 7 p.m.

**Championship** (Saturday at highest remaining seed): 1 p.m.

E. Incomplete Tournament. If the championship tournament cannot be completed and each team has completed at least one tournament contest, the highest remaining seed will be the Conference's champion and automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament. Otherwise, the top seed as determined by the regular season will receive the automatic qualifier.   
*(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/9/04)*

**F. Tournament Completion Exception.** If the tournament is not held on the weekend of NCAA championship selection and the tournament does not conclude on Sunday, the championship match may be continued on Monday if it does not conflict with participating institutions’ final examination schedules. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**G. Practice at Championship Site**

1. No practice will be permitted at the championship site (host team excluded) prior to game day.

2. No practice on the game field prior to the semifinals.

3. Prior to a single outdoor championship event, the facility will be made available for official warm-ups 60 minutes

prior to the start of play. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**H. Uniforms.** The higher seed will wear white or light-colored uniforms for all rounds of competition. In competition and during related ceremonies (pre-game/warm-up, introductions, award ceremonies and post-game interviews), student-athletes in the championship shall wear exclusively the official game uniforms of their institutions. This applies to warm-up uniforms as well as competitive uniforms. The higher seed will use the bench usually occupied by the home team during the regular season.

### I. Game Staffing. The host institution shall provide all table personnel for both semifinal and championship games, including: an announcer, a clock operator, a scoreboard operator, an official scorer, and statisticians. Table personnel should be experienced and knowledgeable of the game of men's lacrosse. It is the responsibility of the host institution to provide an adequate number of ball retrievers. Ball retrievers must be at least 12 years of age and dress in attire that will distinguish them from the competing institutions and other sideline personnel. The host institution is required to train and provide for the safety of the ball retrievers.

**J. Noisemakers.** Artificial noisemakers, air horns or electronic amplifiers are not permitted.

**K. Programs.** The host institution is responsible for the production of an appropriate number of programs for the championship.

**L. Public Address Announcements.** The public address announcer shall be impartial.

**M. Scorekeepers.** The host institution must provide the official scorekeeper/statistician at the scorer's table for **both** semifinals and the final. The visiting team is entitled to a representative at the scorer's table. At the conclusion of the contest, the official scoresheet will be the one recorded by the host team.

**N. Pregame Schedule**

Semifinals – 4/7 p.m. start

Scoreboard Time Real Time

60:00 3/6:00 Officials meet with timer and ball retrievers

36:00 3/6:24 Start 30-minute clock

8:00 3/6:52 Teams meet with officials for coin toss

6:00 3/6:54 Players return to benches

5:00 3/6:55 Visiting player introductions (go to wing line / remain)

Home player introductions (go to wing line / remain)

Teams huddle and then line up along sideline

2:00 3/6:58 Announcer reads "Sportsmanship Statement"

1:30 3/6:58 National Anthem

0:00 4/7:00 Face-off

Final - 1 p.m. start

Scoreboard Time Real Time

60:00 12:00 Officials meet with timer and ball retrievers

36:00 12:24 Start 30-minute clock

8:00 12:52 Teams meet with officials for coin toss

6:00 12:54 Players return to benches

5:00 12:55 Visiting player introductions (go to wing line / remain)

Home player introductions (go to wing line / remain)

Teams huddle and then line up along sideline

2:00 12:58 Announcer reads "Sportsmanship Statement"

1:30 12:58 National Anthem

0:00 1:00 Face-off

Section V - Regulations Governing Competition

*All NCAA/USILA rules apply unless noted below.*

**A. Starting Times.** The starting time for midweek games should not be before 3:30 p.m., while weekend games should start at 1:30 p.m. An institution with lighted facilities may schedule night games that may start no later than 8 p.m.   
*(Adopted 6/5/96; Revised 6/1/05)*

**B. Official Ball.** The official ball must be stamped: "Meets NCAA-Approved Specs."

**C. Postponements.** All postponed Conference games will be rescheduled and played upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play, a postponed Conference game will be rescheduled for the next available date and shall have priority over non-Conference games. *(Adopted 6/5/96)*

**D. Cut-Off Date.** The cut-off date for the completion of Conference regular-season competition is 6 p.m. on the Sunday prior to the championship. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**E. Officials.** Three officials are required for Conference matches. Charlie Libby will serve as the Coordinator of Officials for the 2018, 2019 and 2020 seasons *(Adopted 6/15/94, Revised 5/31/17)*

**2018 2019 2020**

Official $225 $225 $230

Coordinator $400 $400 $400

*travel fee (one-way mileage): 0-99 ($0), 100+ ($50 plus tolls)*

F. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**G. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**H. Tape Exchange Policy.** All games involving Conference members shall be accessible for all Centennial teams. No Centennial Conference exchange is permitted with any out-of-conference opponent. This includes film exchange, verbal and written scouting reports, etc., with the exclusion of mandatory NCAA tape exchange policies. *(Adopted 6/1/11; Revised 5/30/12, 6/1/16)*

**I. Internet Video.** Hudl.com is the official internet distribution network for the Conference for the 2018-19 season. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

## Section VI - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** At the conclusion of the regular season, the conference coaches will select an All-Conference team. The men's team will generally comprise of (3) attackers, (3) midfielders, (1) defensive midfielder, (1) long-stick midfielder, (1) face-off specialist, (3) defensemen and a goaltender. The coaches will also select an Offensive and Defensive Player of the Year. Coaches cannot nominate their own players. *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 5/30/07, 5/29/13, 5/28/14)*

**1. Nominations.** Approximately seven days before the conclusion of the regular season, each coach of a participating Conference school should submit nominations of his/her athletes to be considered for All-Centennial status. No Conference-wide limit is made to the number of nominations that can be made for All-Conference consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Some sport committees may establish maximums for the number of nominees. Only one player may be nominated for Player of the Year status.

**2. Voting Procedure.** The Monday after the regular season and prior to the start of the championship tournament, voting for All-Centennial teams should be concluded. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, and an Offensive and Defensive Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be returned to the Conference Office via email or fax. There will be a conference call conducted on the Monday morning following the conclusion of the regular season to discuss All-Conference candidates. *(Revised 5/29/13, 5/28/14)*

**3. Determination of All-Conference Team.** Two (2) points will be awarded for a 1st team vote and one (1) point for a 2nd team vote. Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-Centennial status. Ties will be broken in favor of the candidate with the highest number of 1st team votes. If the tie is still not broken, additional players may be added to the All-Star team. Any athlete receiving four (4) points will be assured of at least honorable mention status.

**4. Determination of Player of the Year.** For Offensive and Defensive Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Revised 5/29/13)*

**5. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**6. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**B. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize an Offensive and Defensive Player of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Revised 5/31/06)*

**C. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**D. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**E. Championship Tournament MVP.** The Conference will select a most valuable player (MVP) of the championship tournament. The Conference Office will determine the process for selection. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VII – Calendar

**Start of Spring Practice:** Friday, February 1

**First Contest:** Saturday, February 16 (scrimmage anytime after Feb. 1)

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Saturday, April 27

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Wednesday, May 1

**Conference Tournament:** Wednesday-Saturday, May 1-4

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, May 14

**NCAA Date Formula:** 1st Round (Wednesday prior to 2nd rounds); 2nd round: two weekends prior to final (Saturday); Quarterfinal: Wednesday prior to semifinals; Semifinals: one weekend prior to final (Sunday); Final: Sunday of Memorial Day weekend.

**Future NCAA Championships**

2019 – May 24 – Lincoln Financial Field, Philadelphia, Pa.

Lacrosse (W)

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in lacrosse: Bryn Mawr, Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus and Washington College.

Section II - Women's Lacrosse Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Erin Stroble, Ursinus

*Committee Chair:* TBA (term expires 9-2021)

*NCAA Regional Advisory Committee:* Katie Duffie, Ursinus (term expires 9-2020)

*NCAA Committee:* Kim Masimore, Dickinson (term expires 9-2021)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in lacrosse shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks. *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Practice or Competition.** A member institution shall not commence practice sessions before February 1.   
*(Revised 6/4/03)*

**2. First Contest or Date of Competition.** An institution shall not play its first contest against outside competition until the date that permits 11 regular-season Saturdays before the Centennial Conference tournament. Teams may schedule their scrimmage anytime after the first permissible day of practice. *(Revised 6/4/03, 9/23/05, 5/28/08, 5/27/09, 10/1/15)*

**3. Maximum Limitations.** For the 2018-19 academic year, an institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition to 17 dates of competition and one exempted alumni scrimmage. *(Revised 6/1/16, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

**4. Classes in Session.** No more than 15 dates of competition may be played while classes are in session during the traditional segment. There is no limitation on games played during listed vacation periods. *(Adopted 6/4/03)*

**C. Nontraditional Segment**

**1. First Practice or Competition.** September 7 or institution’s first day of classes, whichever is earlier.

**2. Nontraditional Season Length.** All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment is limited to a maximum of five weeks and shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution’s final regular fall examination period.

**3. Practice Opportunities.** The Conference permits a maximum of 16 practices with no more than four practices in any one week. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** The Conference permits one date of competition with outside competition that is counted toward the allowable 16 practices *(i.e. 15 practices + 1 DOC = 16; 16 practices + 0 DOC = 16)*. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**5. Class/Laboratory Time.** No class or laboratory time may be missed for practice or competition.

**6. Date of Competition Limitations.** A maximum of eight hours of athletically related activity may occur on the one date of competition for all participants. Further, competition activity on the one date must be included in the eight-hour maximum and is also limited to two regulation lacrosse contests or 120 minutes of competition activity. *(Revised 4/17/07)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

All NCAA championship rules apply unless amended below.

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference champion will be determined by a five-team playoff. The teams will be determined by best won-lost record in a single round-robin format. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 6/9/04)*

**First Round** (Wednesday afternoon): No. 5 seed at No. 4 seed.

**Semifinals** (Saturday at No. 1 seed): first-round winner at No. 1 seed; No. 2 seed vs. No. 3 seed. Top seed determines the order

of semifinal games in consultation with Conference Office.

**Championship** (Sunday afternoon at No. 1 seed): semifinal winners. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 6/9/04)*

**B. Tie-Breaking Formulas**

1. Head-to-Head Centennial Conference play among tied teams;

2. Records versus teams in descending order of standing;

3. Goal-differential in games among tied teams: An extra point shall be awarded for each goal a team wins  
 by up to a maximum of three goals in games among tied teams (example: 4-1 is worth three points, 4-2 is worth two,   
 5-1 is worth three); if tie(s) still exist(s), then fewest goals allowed in games among tied teams.

4. if criteria 1-2-3 does not break the tie

a. for the final playoff position, a play-in game will be held. The Executive Director will conduct a coin flip to   
 determine the site;

b. for other ties among playoff-bound teams, the Executive Director will conduct a coin flip to determine playoff   
 position. In the event of multiple ties, a random drawing will be held for the playoff positions.

When any secondary criteria in a multiple-team tie favors one team over the others, that team earns the seed and is removed from the tie-breaker. Re-apply the criteria to all remaining teams, starting with the Conference's primary tiebreaker for all sports (head-to-head Centennial competition). *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 5/27/15)*

**C. Tournament Dates.** The tournament should be held on the same weekend as NCAA tournament selection.   
*(Revised 6/5/02, 6/1/05, 5/27/09, 6/1/11)*

D. Starting Times. The start time for the first-round (midweek) Conference tournament games in field hockey, soccer and lacrosse shall be determined by the host but shall be no earlier than 4 p.m. and not later than 7 p.m.   
*(Adopted 6/7/00, 6/5/02, 6/9/04, 6/1/11, 5/28/14, 5/31/17)*

**First-Round** (Wednesday at No. 4 seed): no earlier than 4 p.m., not later than 7 p.m.

**Semifinals** (Saturday at No. 1 seed): 12 p.m. and 3 p.m. (or not later than 70 minutes after conclusion of first semifinal). The top seed will determine the order of semifinal games in consultation with the Conference Office.

**Championship** (Sunday at No. 1 seed): 1 p.m.

E. Incomplete Tournament. If the championship tournament cannot be completed and each team has completed at least one tournament contest, the highest remaining seed will be the Conference's champion and automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament. Otherwise, the top seed as determined by the regular season will receive the automatic qualifier. *(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/9/04)*

**F. Tournament Completion Exception.** If the tournament is not held on the weekend of NCAA championship selection and the tournament does not conclude on Sunday, the championship match may be continued on Monday if it does not conflict with participating institutions’ final examination schedules. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

G. Interrupted Contests. Once play begins, the umpires, in consultation with the Conference representative and games committee at the site of competition, shall have the authority to interrupt the game due to dangerous weather or field conditions. All games will be restarted from the point of interruption; regardless of whether the game is restarted on the same day or the following day, and played until 100 percent completion. If 80 percent of the game has been completed, and the team that is behind, at the point of interruption, elects not to continue, the game will be considered complete and final.

If a game is delayed, the following warm-up times will be allowed before restarting play:

• Up to 45-minute delay - 10-minute warm-up

• 45- to 60-minute delay - 15-minute warm-up

• More than one-hour delay - 20-minute warm-up

• The warm-up times may be waived if both coaches agree.

**H. Practice at Championship Site**

1. No practice will be permitted at the championship site (host team excluded) prior to game day.

2. No practice on the game field prior to the semifinals.

3. Prior to a single outdoor championship event, the facility will be made available for official warm-ups 50 minutes

prior to the start of play. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**I. Uniforms.** The higher seed will wear white or light-colored uniforms for all rnds of competition. In competition and during related ceremonies (pre-game/warm-up, introductions, award ceremonies and post-game interviews), student-athletes in the championship shall wear exclusively the official game uniforms of their institutions. This applies to warm-up uniforms as well as competitive uniforms. The higher seed will use the bench usually occupied by the home team during the regular season.

**J. Game Staffing.** The host institution shall provide all table personnel for the first-round game, both semifinal games and the final, including: an announcer, a clock operator, a scoreboard operator, an official scorer, and statisticians. Table personnel should be experienced and knowledgeable of the game of women's lacrosse.

**K. Noisemakers.** Artificial noisemakers, air horns or electronic amplifiers are not permitted.

**L. Programs.** The host institution is responsible for the production of an appropriate number of game programs for the event.

**M. Public Address Announcements.** The public address announcer shall be impartial.

**N. Scorekeepers.** The host institution must provide the official scorekeeper/statistician at the scorer's table for **both** semifinals and the final. The visiting team is entitled to a representative at the scorer's table. At the conclusion of the contest, the official scoresheet will be the one recorded by the host team.

**O. Pregame Schedule**

First-Round Game – 4/7 p.m. start

Scoreboard Time Real Time

60:00 3/6:00 Field available for warm-up

Stick Measurement

55:00 3/6:05 Pre-game warm-up

15:00 3/6:45 Captains meeting

10:00 3/6:50 Timer sounds horn – teams clear field

Introduction of teams

National Anthem

0:00 4/7:00 Game Begins

Semifinal #1 - 12 p.m. start

Scoreboard Time Real Time

60:00 11:00 Field available for warm-up

Stick Measurement

55:00 11:05 Pre-game warm-up

15:00 11:45 Captains meeting

10:00 11:50 Timer sounds horn – teams clear field

Introduction of teams

National Anthem

0:00 12:00 Game Begins

bench area must be cleared five minutes after conclusion of game

Semifinal #2 - not before 3 p.m. and not later than 70 minutes after conclusion of Semifinal #1

Scoreboard Time Real Time

60:00 2:00 Field available for warm-up

Stick Measurement

55:00 2:05 Pre-game warm-up

15:00 2:45 Captains meeting

10:00 2:50 Timer sounds horn – teams clear field

Introduction of teams

National Anthem

0:00 3:00 Game Begins

Final - 1 p.m. start

Scoreboard Time Real Time

60:00 2:00 Field available for warm-up

Stick Measurement

55:00 2:05 Pre-game warm-up

15:00 2:45 Captains meeting

10:00 2:50 Timer sounds horn – teams clear field

Introduction of teams

National Anthem

0:00 3:00 Game Begins

Section V - Regulations Governing Competition

*All US Lacrosse rules apply unless noted below.*

**A. Starting Times.** The starting time for midweek games should not be before 3:30 p.m. before Daylight Savings Time, and 4 p.m. after DST, unless mutually agreed upon by both institutions. Weekend games should start no later than 2 p.m. Pre-game warm-up will end five minutes prior to the listed start time to allow for introductions and national anthem. Institutions with lighted facilities may schedule night games that may start no later than 8 p.m. *(Revised 6/4/97, 6/4/03, 6/1/05)*

**B. Facility Standards**. Institutions whose facilities do not meet minimum US Lacrosse standards shall not be permitted to host Conference contests. *(Adopted 6/7/95)*

**C. Officials.** Three officials must be used for Conference matches. If three officials cannot be assigned due to availability, then two officials would be acceptable. Fran Trumbo will serve as the Coordinator of Officials for the 2017, 2018 and 2019 seasons. *(Adopted 5/30/16)*

**2017 2018 2019**

Official (regular-season) $175 $178 $181

Scrimmage $125 $128 $131

Official (championship) $185 $188 $191

Coordinator $350 $350 $370

*travel fee (round-trip mileage): 0-50 ($0), 51-125 ($35), 126-200 ($55), 201+ ($80)*

**D. Postponements.** All postponed Conference games will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play, a postponed Conference game will be rescheduled for the next available date and shall have priority over non-Conference games.

**E. Cut-Off Date.** The cut-off date for the completion of Conference regular-season competition is 6 p.m. on the Sunday prior to the championship. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**F. Code of Conduct**. The NCAA spectator code of conduct should be included in all game programs and read over an external public address system if one is available at the game site.

**G. Scouting**. Scouting information (written or verbal communication) may not be shared with non-Centennial institutions about Centennial teams. Film may only be shared with the non-Centennial institutions who are participating in the agreed upon Open Exchange Library (i.e. Krossover, Team XStream, etc.). Centennial games may not be shared with non-Centennial institutions who are not participating in the agreed upon Open Exchange Library. *(Revised 5/28/14)*

H. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**I. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**J. Tape Exchange Policy.** There is a mandatory tape exchange between Centennial opponents allowing for total access to all video footage. Each school is required to share all games via the Open Exchange Video Library (i.e. Krossover, Team XStream, etc.). Centennial coaches will use the video exchange system that is supported by the IWLCA (unless a different system can be agreed upon by all coaches). Coaches agree to follow filming guidelines and upload times as stated by the IWLCA.   
*(Adopted 6/1/11; Revised 5/28/14)*

Section VI - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** At the conclusion of the regular season, the conference coaches will select an All-Conference team. The team will comprise of four (4) attackers, three (3) midfielders, four (4) defenders, one (1) goalkeeper, and one (1) at-large position player (attack, midfield, defense). The coaches will also select an Attacker, Midfielder and Defensive Player of the Year. *(Revised 6/15/94, 6/7/00, 5/30/12, 5/29/13, 5/30/18)*

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**2. Voting Procedure.** All-Centennial ballots will be distributed to the coaches prior to the last regular season game. Coaches will return the completed ballot on the Sunday following the last regular-season game. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, and an Offensive and Defensive Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be returned to the Director of Sports Information and sent via email or FAX to the Conference Office.   
*(Revised 5/29/13)*

**3. Determination of All-Conference Team.** Two (2) points will be awarded for a 1st team vote and one (1) point for a 2nd team vote. Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-Centennial status. Ties will be broken in favor of the candidate with the highest number of 1st team votes. If the tie is still not broken, additional players may be added to the All-Star team. Any athlete receiving four (4) points will be assured of at least honorable mention status.

**4. Determination of Player of the Year.** For Attacker, Midfielder and Defensive Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Revised 5/30/18)*

**5. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**6. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

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**D. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**E. Championship Tournament MVP.** The Conference will select a most valuable player (MVP) of the championship tournament. The Conference Office will determine the process for selection. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VII – Calendar

**Start of Spring Practice:** Friday, February 1

**First Contest:** Saturday, February 16

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Saturday, April 27

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Wednesday, May 1

**Conference Tournament:** Wednesday-Saturday-Sunday, May 1-4-5

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, May 14

**NCAA Date Formula:** Each year, the championship finals are scheduled for the third full weekend in May [semifinals Saturday, with finals Sunday]. Regional competition is held the Saturday through Sunday (Monday if necessary) before the final. First-round games are held the Wednesday before the regionals.

**Future NCAA Championships**

2019 – May 25-26 – Day Field, Ashland, Va. (Randolph-Macon, host)

2020 – May 23-24 – Homewood Field, Baltimore, Md. (Johns Hopkins, host)

2021 – May 22-23 – Kerr Stadium, Salem, Va. (Old Dominion Athletic Conference, Roanoke, hosts)

2022 – May 28-29 – Kerr Stadium, Salem, Va. (Old Dominion Athletic Conference, Roanoke, hosts)

Soccer (M)

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in soccer: Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford,   
Johns Hopkins, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus and Washington College.

Section II - Men's Soccer Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Alanna Shanahan, Johns Hopkins

*Committee Chair:* TBA (term expires 9-2021)

*NCAA Mid-Atlantic Advisory Committee:* Craig Appleby, Johns Hopkins (term expires 9-2019)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in soccer shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined). *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Permissible Practice.** A member institution shall not commence practice sessions before the date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition. A "unit" is a numerical value assigned to a particular calendar day within the application of the preseason practice formula that is used to determine the first permissible practice date for fall sports other than football. The number of units assigned to a particular day does not determine or limit the number of practices that may be conducted on that day. *(Adopted 5/4/09)*

**2. Determining the First Permissible Practice Date.** To determine the first permissible practice date, an institution shall count back a total of 16 units on a calendar starting with the day before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition, as follows:

a, Never assign any units to Sundays on the calendar; it is permissible to practice on Sundays;

b. Never assign any units to calendar days during the preseason when all institutional dormitories are closed, the institution's team must leave campus, and practice is not conducted;

c. The first six units: assign one unit to each of the six calendar days (not including Sunday) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition;

d. The remaining ten units:

i. Assign one unit to each calendar day (not including Sundays) that occurs on or after the opening day of classes for the fall term and

ii. Assign two units to each calendar day before the opening day of classes for the fall term (not including Sundays) until the sum of units on the calendar reaches 16;

e. The date on which the total count of units on the calendar reaches 16 is the first permissible date for preseason practice.  *(Adopted 5/4/09)*

**3. First Contest or Date of Competition.** September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday.

a. An institution may play up to three soccer scrimmages or exhibition games (which shall not count toward the institution’s win-loss record) before the first scheduled contest, provided the scrimmages or exhibition games are conducted during the institution’s declared playing season and are counted against the maximum number of contests.

b. An institution may conduct an unlimited number of exhibitions or scrimmages on one date during the preseason practice period, which shall count as one of the three scrimmages or exhibition games. *(Revised 5/27/09, 5/29/13)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** For the 2018-19 academic year, an institution shall limit its playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to 18 contests and one exempted alumni scrimmage. *(Revised 6/4/03, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

**C. Nontraditional Segment**

**1. First Permissible Practice and Competition.** February 1.

**2. Nontraditional Season Length.** All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment is limited to a maximum of five weeks and shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution’s final examination period.

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**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The conference champion will be determined by a five-team playoff. The teams are determined by the most points accumulated in a single round-robin format. Three points will be awarded for a victory, one point for a tie and no points for a loss.

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**B. Tournament Scheduling Conflicts**

If a school hosts two or more fall championship first-round games on the same day at the same unlighted venue, the visiting team that travels the farthest will play its game on Wednesday. The visiting team that is closer will play its game on Tuesday. Mileage matrix determined by the Conference Office.

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If field hockey conflicts with either soccer tournament, substitute hockey for the gender not represented. *(example: in 2016,   
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If the tournament conflicts with a home football game, the tournament may be scheduled for Friday night and Saturday night.

If the championships semifinals must be played on Friday due to venue conflicts, the first-round game will be played on Tuesday.

*(Adopted 6/9/04; Revised 5/26/10)*

**C. Starting Times.** The start time for the first-round (midweek) tournament game shall be determined by the host but shall be no earlier than 4 p.m. and not later than 7 p.m. If an institution hosts a first-round match on a non-lighted field, the game shall start no earlier than 2 p.m. A minimum of 45 minutes should be available for warm-up prior to the start of the second semifinal. Conflicts will be worked out between the committee chair and the Conference Office. Travel expense and time will be taken into consideration for start times and order of the semifinal games. *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/5/02, 6/9/04, 5/28/14, 5/27/15)*

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**F. Practice at Championship Site**

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2. No practice on the game field prior to the semifinals.

3. Prior to a single outdoor championship event, the facility will be made available for official warm-ups 60 minutes

prior to the start of play. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**G. Official Ball.** All Conference tournament matches must use a high-quality soccer ball, supplied by the host institution. In addition, the pre-championship conference call agenda shall include a discussion of the ball to be used. *(Adopted 6/1/05; Revised 5/26/10)*

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**O. Pregame Schedule**

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*Game Clock*

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Introduction of officials and players

1. Game Officials

2. Lower Seeded Team starters and head coach

3. Higher Seeded Team starters and head coach

Reading of Conference Sportsmanship Statement

National Anthem

Teams shake hands

0:00 Game Begins

Semifinal No. 2

Forty (40) minutes are placed on the clock immediately at the conclusion of the first semifinal. Teams for second game may begin warm-up. A minimum of 30 minutes should be available for warm-up prior to the start of the second semifinal.

10:00 Teams clear field

7:00 Introduction of officials and players

1. Game Officials

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Section V - Regulations Governing Competition

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Starting Times.** After the end of daylight savings time, all Centennial weekend games must begin no later than 2 p.m. EST, and all Centennial mid-week games must begin no later than 2:30 EST. The only exception would be those institutions in the Conference that have lighted facilities. On days when the men's and women's teams both play at home, start times should be a minimum of 2 1/2 hours apart. Institutions with lighted facilities may schedule night games that may start no later than 8 p.m.   
*(Revised 6/5/97; Revised 6/5/02; Revised 6/1/05)*

**B. Official Ball.** A hand-stitched ball must be used in Conference matches. *(Revised 6/2/99, 6/6/01)*

**C. Officials.** All Conference matches shall have three officials. If three officials are not present at the start of a Conference match, the match shall be played at the direction of the host administrator. Mark Garcia and John Collins will serve as Coordinators of Officials for the 2017, 2018 and 2019 seasons. *(Revised 6/3/98, 5/28/14, 5/31/17)*

**2017 2018 2019**

Referee $200 $206 $213

Assistant Referee $161 $167 $173

Alternate (tournament only) $100 $103 $107

Coordinator $305 $325 $350

**D. Postponed Matches.** All postponed Conference matches will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play, a postponed Conference match will be rescheduled for the next available date and shall have priority over non-Conference matches. All postponed women's matches must be rescheduled and played by the NCAA tournament selection date. *(Revised 6/7/00)*

**E. Cut-Off Date.** The cut-off date for the completion of Conference regular-season competition is 6 p.m. on the Sunday prior to the championship. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**F. Scouting Information.** Coaches shall not give scouting reports on Conference schools to non-Conference schools.

**G. Field Measurements.** In men's soccer, all Centennial fields that do not have a natural barrier between the spectators and the field (i.e. track) should rope off an area five yards between the fans and the field. *(Adopted 6/7/00)*

**H. Pre-Game Introductions.**

1. At 10 minutes before the scheduled kick-off time, teams having completed their pre-match preparations, coaches and  
 players line up on the touchline and shake hands in a demonstration of sportsmanship and fair play.

2. Introductions

a. Game Officials

b. Starters and coaches for visiting team

c. Starters and coaches for home team

d. National Anthem

e. Reading of Conference Sportsmanship Statement

f. Kick-off at scheduled hour. *(Revised 6/4/03; 6/9/04)*

**I. Sportsmanship Code.** The Centennial Conference sportsmanship code must be placed in programs and read over the public address system prior to the start of all contests. *(Adopted 6/4/97)*

"The Centennial Conference promotes good sportsmanship by student-athletes, coaches and spectators. We request your cooperation by supporting the participants and officials in a positive manner. Profanity, racial or sexist comments, or other intimidating actions directed at officials, student-athletes, coaches or team representatives will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the site."

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Section VI - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** At the conclusion of the regular season, the conference coaches will select an All-Conference team. The team will be comprised of 10 players with a minimum of three forwards, three midfielders and three backs, and a one goalkeeper. The coaches will also select a Player of the Year.

**1. Nominations.** Approximately seven days before the conclusion of the regular season, each coach of a participating Conference school should submit nominations of his/her athletes to be considered for All-Centennial status. No Conference-wide limit is made to the number of nominations that can be made for All-Conference consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Some sport committees may establish maximums for the number of nominees. Only one player may be nominated for Player of the Year status.

**2. Voting Procedure.** Shortly after the conclusion of the regular season and prior to the start of the championship tournament, voting for All-Centennial teams should be concluded. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, and a Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be returned to the Director of Sports Information and sent via email or FAX to the Conference Office.

**3. Determination of All-Conference Team.** Two (2) points will be awarded for a 1st team vote and one (1) point for a 2nd team vote. Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-Centennial status. Ties will be broken in favor of the candidate with the highest number of 1st team votes. If the tie is still not broken, additional players may be added to the All-Star team. Any athlete receiving four (4) points will be assured of at least honorable mention status.

**4. Determination of Player of the Year.** For Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**5. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**6. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**B. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize an Offensive and Defensive Player of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Revised 5/31/06)*

**C. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**D. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**E. Championship Tournament MVP.** The Conference will select a most valuable player (MVP) of the championship tournament. The Conference Office will determine the process for selection. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**F. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VII – Calendar

**First Contest:** Friday, August 31

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Saturday, October 27

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Wednesday, October 31

**Conference Tournament:** Wednesday-Saturday-Sunday, October 31, November 3-4

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, November 13

**NCAA Date Formula:** 1st/2nd rounds: three weeks before championship; Sectionals: two weeks before championship;   
Semifinals and Final: Friday and Saturday, one week after Thanksgiving

**Future NCAA Championships**

2018 – November 30-December 1 – UNCG Stadium, Greensboro, N.C. (UNC-Greensboro, host)

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2021 – December 3-4 – UNCG Stadium, Greensboro, N.C. (UNC-Greensboro, host)

Soccer (W)

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in soccer: Bryn Mawr, Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford, Johns Hopkins, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus and Washington College.

Section II - Women's Soccer Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Wendy Smith, Haverford

*Committee Chair:* TBA (term expires 9-2019)

*NCAA Mid-Atlantic Advisory Committee:* Megan Patruno, Muhlenberg (term expires 9-2020)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in soccer shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined). *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Permissible Practice.** A member institution shall not commence practice sessions before the date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition. A "unit" is a numerical value assigned to a particular calendar day within the application of the preseason practice formula that is used to determine the first permissible practice date for fall sports other than football. The number of units assigned to a particular day does not determine or limit the number of practices that may be conducted on that day. *(Adopted 5/4/09)*

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National Anthem

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Section VI - Regulations Governing Competition

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Starting Times.** After the end of daylight savings time, all Centennial weekend games must begin no later than 2 p.m. EST, and all Centennial mid-week games must begin no later than 2:30 EST. Institutions with lighted facilities may schedule night games that may start no later than 8 p.m. *(Revised 6/5/97, 6/1/05)*

**B. Official Ball.** A hand-stitched ball must be used in Conference matches.

**C. Officials.** All Conference matches shall have three officials. If three officials are not present at the start of a Conference match, the match shall be played at the direction of the host administrator. *(Revised 6/3/98)*

**D. Postponed Matches.** All postponed Conference matches will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play, a postponed Conference match will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches and administrators and shall have priority over non-Conference matches. All postponed women's matches must be rescheduled and played by the NCAA tournament selection date. *(Revised 6/7/00, 6/4/03)*

**E. Cut-Off Date.** The cut-off date for the completion of Conference regular-season competition is 6 p.m. on the Sunday prior to the championship. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**F. Scouting Information.** Coaches shall not give scouting reports on Conference schools to non-Conference schools.

**G. Length of Grass.** The length of grass on fields should be maintained at 1 1/4" or less. *(Adopted 6/6/01)*

**H. Sportsmanship Code.** The Centennial Conference sportsmanship code must be placed in programs and read over the public address system prior to the start of all contests. *(Adopted 6/4/97)*

"The Centennial Conference promotes good sportsmanship by student-athletes, coaches and spectators. We request your cooperation by supporting the participants and officials in a positive manner. Profanity, racial or sexist comments, or other intimidating actions directed at officials, student-athletes, coaches or team representatives will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the site."

**I. Jewelry.** A player shall not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible) in Centennial Conference games. Taping of earrings or other jewelry is not permitted regardless of reason. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

K. Pre-Game Clock Countdown. Teams will clear the field after pre-game warm-ups with 10 minutes remaining on the game clock. The clock will continue to count down while going through announcements and national anthem. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**L. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**M. Officials.** Mark Garcia and John Collins will serve as Coordinators of Officials for the 2017, 2018 and 2019 seasons.   
*(Adopted 5/30/16)*

**2017 2018 2019**

Referee $200 $206 $206

Assistant Referee $161 $167 $167

Alternate (tournament only) $100 $103 $103

Coordinator $305 $325 $325

Section VII - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** At the conclusion of the regular season, the conference coaches will select an All-Conference team. The team will be comprised of 10 players with a minimum of three forwards, three midfielders and three backs, and a one goalkeeper. The coaches will also select a Player and Rookie of the Year.

**1. Nominations.** Approximately seven days before the conclusion of the regular season, each coach of a participating Conference school should submit nominations of his/her athletes to be considered for All-Centennial status. No Conference-wide limit is made to the number of nominations that can be made for All-Conference consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Only one player may be nominated for Player of the Year status.

**2. Voting Procedure.** Shortly after the conclusion of the regular season and prior to the start of the championship tournament, voting for All-Centennial teams should be concluded. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, and a Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be returned to the Director of Sports Information and sent via email or FAX to the Conference Office.

**3. Determination of All-Conference Team.** Two (2) points will be awarded for a 1st team vote and one (1) point for a 2nd team vote. Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-Centennial status. Ties will be broken in favor of the candidate with the highest number of 1st team votes. If the tie is still not broken, additional players may be added to the All-Star team. Any athlete receiving four (4) points will be assured of at least honorable mention status.

**4. Determination of Player of the Year.** For Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**5. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**6. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**B. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize an Offensive and Defensive Player of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Revised 5/31/06)*

**C. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**D. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**E. Championship Tournament MVP.** The Conference will select a most valuable player (MVP) of the championship tournament. The Conference Office will determine the process for selection. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**F. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VIII – Calendar

**First Contest:** Friday, August 31

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Saturday, October 27

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Wednesday, October 31

**Conference Tournament:** Wednesday-Saturday-Sunday, October 31, November 3-4

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, November 13 (must be in-person)

**Annual Meeting.** The committee may elect to hold committee meetings through voice or video call when few or no agenda items are submitted. Meetings cannot be held via conference call in back-to-back years. *(Adopted 5/31/17)*

**NCAA Date Formula:** 1st/2nd rounds: three weeks before championship; Sectionals: two weeks before championship;   
Semifinals and Final: Friday and Saturday, one week after Thanksgiving

**Future NCAA Championships**

2018 – November 30-December 1 – UNCG Stadium, Greensboro, N.C. (UNC-Greensboro, host)

2019 – December 6-7 – UNCG Stadium, Greensboro, N.C. (UNC-Greensboro, host)

2020 – December 4-5 – UNCG Stadium, Greensboro, N.C. (UNC-Greensboro, host)

2021 – December 3-4 – UNCG Stadium, Greensboro, N.C. (UNC-Greensboro, host)

Softball

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in softball: Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus and Washington College.

Section II - Softball Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Shawn Carty, Franklin & Marshall

*Committee Chair:* Annette Hunt-Shepard, Gettysburg (term expires 9-2019)

*NCAA East Region Advisory Committee:* Lacey Lord, Washington College (term expires 9-2019)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in softball shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks. *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Permissible Practice.** A member institution shall not commence practice sessions prior to February 1. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**2. First Contest or Date of Competition.** An institution shall not schedule its first contest against outside competition until the date that permits 11 regular-season Saturdays before the Centennial Conference tournament. In the event an institution's spring break begins prior to that date, the first date of competition may be played on the first day of spring break. *(Revised 6/4/03, 9/23/05, 5/28/08, 5/27/09, 5/30/12, 5/30/18)*

**3. Maximum Limitations.** For the 2018-19 academic year, an institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the playing season to 40 contests (games and scrimmages) during the traditional segment and one exempted alumni scrimmage. *(Revised 8/1/01, 6/9/04, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

**4. Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete.** A student-athlete may participate in each academic year in a maximum of 40 softball contests (games, exhibitions or scrimmages) during the traditional segment and one date of competition during the nontraditional segment. This limitation includes those contests in which the student represents the institution, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution in accordance with *NCAA Bylaws 17.02.4 and 17.02.9. (Revised 5/31/17)*

**5. Classes in Session.** No more than 30 contests may be played while classes are in session during the traditional segment. There is no limitation on contests during listed vacation periods. *(Adopted 6/4/03)*

**C. Nontraditional Segment**

**1. First Practice or Competition.** September 7 or the institution’s first day of classes, whichever is earlier.

**2. Nontraditional Season Length.** All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment is limited to a maximum of five weeks and shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution’s final regular fall examination period.

**3. Practice Opportunities.** The Conference permits a maximum of 16 practices with no more than four practices in any one week. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** The Conference permits one date of competition with outside competition that is counted toward the allowable 16 practices *(i.e. 15 practices + 1 DOC = 16; 16 practices + 0 DOC = 16)*. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**5. Class/Laboratory Time.** No class or laboratory time may be missed for practice or competition.

**6. Date of Competition Limitations.** A maximum of eight hours of athletically related activity may occur on the one date of competition for all participants. Further, competition activity on the one date must be included in the eight-hour maximum and is also limited to three regulation softball games or 21 regulation innings (e.g., three outs per inning, three strikes per out).   
*(Revised 4/17/07)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

All NCAA championship rules apply unless amended below.

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference champion will be determined by a four-team double-elimination playoff. The teams will be determined by the best win-loss records in a round-robin format. The top seed will be the host for games 3-7 of the tournament. The top two seeds will host games 1-2. *(Revised 5/30/18)*

**B. Championship Date Formula**. The Centennial Conference tournament will be held on the weekend of NCAA championship selection.

**C. Tournament Format**

**1. Home Team.** The higher seed is the home team for the first round. Thereafter, the NCAA tournament procedure will determine the home team. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**2. Schedule**.

**Day 1 (Tuesday)**

Game 1: No. 4 seed at No. 1 seed

Game 2: No. 3 seed at No. 2 seed

**Day 2 (Friday at No. 1 seed)**

Game 3: Loser of Game 1 vs. Loser of Game 2

Game 4: Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 2

**Day 3 (Saturday at No. 1 seed)**

Game 5: Loser of Game 4 vs. Winner of Game 3

Game 6: Winner of Game 4 vs. Winner of Game 5

Game 7 if necessary, only if Winner of Game 5 wins Game 6 *(Revised 5/30/18)*

**3. Starting Times.** The starting times for the tournament are determined by the Executive Director and the committee liaison. It is recommended that the first game on Friday begin at 2 p.m., and the first game on Saturday at 11 a.m. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 6/1/05, 5/28/14, 5/30/18)*

**D. Tie-Breaking Formula.**

1. Head-to-Head Centennial Conference play among tied teams;

2. Record versus teams in descending order of standing;

3. Run differential: Runs allowed versus runs scored in Centennial Conference games;

4. if criteria 1-2-3 does not break the tie

a. for the final playoff position, a play-in game will be held. The Executive Director will conduct a coin flip to  
 determine the site;

b. for other ties among playoff-bound teams, the Executive Director will conduct a coin flip to determine playoff

position. In the event of multiple ties, a random drawing will be held for the playoff positions.

When any secondary criteria in a multiple-team tie favors one team over the others, that team earns the seed and is removed from the tie-breaker. Re-apply the criteria to all remaining teams, starting with the Conference's primary tiebreaker for all sports (head-to-head Centennial competition). *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 5/27/15)*

E. Incomplete Tournament. If the championship tournament cannot be completed and each team has completed at least one tournament contest, the highest remaining seed will be the Conference's champion and automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament. Exception: If the tournament is not scheduled to conclude on Selection Sunday, games 5, 6 and 7 may be played on Monday if they do not conflict with the participating institutions’ final examination schedules. Otherwise, the top seed as determined by the regular season will receive the automatic qualifier. *(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/9/04, 5/26/10)*

F. Determining the Home Team.

1. For games 1 and 2, the home team is the higher seed.

2. If two teams have been the home team an equal number of times but visiting team an unequal number of times, the team that has been the visitor most often shall be designated as home team.

3. If two teams have been both home team and visiting team an equal number of times, and if the two teams previously met, the visitor in the initial game shall be the home team in the second game.

4. If two teams have been both home team and visiting team an equal number of times, the team that was the visitor in its preceding game shall be the home team, unless both teams were the visitor in their preceding games.

5. If the preceding formula does not prevail, the home team shall be determined by a coin toss using the double flip procedure.

Double Flip Procedure

1. Two members of the games committee meet with coaches to break a tie.

2. It is explained to coaches that ties are broken by a double flip, which means you flip first to see who gets to call the second flip.

Flip No. 1

1. Games Committee member No. 1 indicates one team as heads and the other as tails.

2. Games Committee member No. 2 flips coin, and whichever way the coin comes up (heads or tails) is the team that gets to call flip No. 2.

Flip No. 2

The team that won flip No. 1 calls heads or tails while coin is in the air.

**G. Dugouts**. The home team shall occupy the third-base dugout. In the interest of simplicity, the No. 1 seed will occupy its dugout for all games in which it participates. A team occupying one dugout will not be forced to change dugouts in the next game, unless the host institution is involved in that game. *(Adopted 6/6/01, Revised 5/30/18)*

**H. Umpires.** The Conference Office will secure a team of umpires for the Conference playoffs. The team of umpires will consist of four umpires for the entire weekend, including an Umpire-in-Chief. *(Adopted 6/5/02)*

**2019 2020 2021**

Umpire Fee (tournament) $220/day $220/day $225/day

Umpire-In-Chief (tournament) $245/day $245/day $250/day

**I. Practice at Championship Site**

1. No practice will be permitted at the championship site (host team excluded) prior to game day.

2. No practice on the game field prior to the semifinals. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**J. Practice Schedule.** It is suggested that batting practice be arranged on a field other than the tournament field in the event that more than one game is to be played on a given day. Each team will be permitted a maximum of eight minutes for infield practice before each game. Ground balls will be permitted before the eight-minute warm-up in foul territory. The host administrator will be responsible for clearing the field when practice time has elapsed.

**K. Length of Contests.** All games shall be seven innings, except that a five-inning eight-run rule will be used in all rounds of the tournament. If play is stopped before a seven-inning game is completed and the eight-run rule is not in effect, it shall resume at the point of interruption.

**L. Uniforms.** Each team must bring two sets of uniforms of different colors. The home team may not wear the same color as the visiting team. Determination of uniform colors must be approved by the games committee. As a reminder, when teams play back-to-back games, they must be prepared to change uniforms, if necessary. In competition and during related ceremonies (pre-game/warm-up, introductions, award ceremonies and post-game interviews), student-athletes in the championship shall ear exclusively the official game uniforms of their institutions. This applies to warm-up uniforms as well as competitive uniforms.

**M. Programs**. The host institution is responsible for an appropriate number of programs for the tournament.

**N. Public Address Announcements.** The PA announcer for the Conference tournament shall be impartial. Any music played once the first pitch is thrown **must** be impartial and not derogatory toward visiting teams. By rule, "Audio may not be played in a manner that may incite spectators to react in a negative fashion to umpires' decisions or to visiting players."

Section V - Regulations Governing Competition

*All NCAA/ASA Fast Pitch Rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Starting Times.** All conference games should not begin before 2:30 p.m. on weekdays and no later than 1 p.m. on weekends.

**B. Pre-Game Procedure.** The visiting team will be accorded 30 minutes of warm-up time prior to the contracted game starting time.

**C. Length of Games.** The Conference will use the NCAA Halted Game Rule (6.17) prior to the game becoming official. Once the game becomes official, the outcome of the game stands. *(Revised 5/26/10)*

**D. Tied Games.** The Conference will only use the halted-game rule if there are playoff implications (i.e. seeding). The game will be resumed on the first available date after the last regular season Saturday. *(Adopted 5/31/17)*

**E. Break between Doubleheader Games.** There should be at least a 15-minute break between games of a doubleheader.

**F. Postponed Games.**  All postponed Conference games will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. Makeup games shall be played on the first available calendar date when neither team is scheduled, with consideration for religious holidays. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play, a postponed Conference game will be rescheduled for the next available date and shall have priority over non-Conference games. Weekday postponements must be rescheduled within a 10-day period. Any changes must be approved by the Conference Office. *(Adopted 6/15/94; Revised 6/2/99, 5/30/18)*

**G. Official Ball.** The official ball of the Centennial Conference will be the ball used for NCAA Championship competition.

**H. Umpires.**  Umpires must be NCAA certified officials. Denny Mader will serve as the Conference’s coordinator of officials for 2019-20-21. *(Revised 6/3/98, 6/2/99, 5/27/15)*

**2019 2020 2021**

Umpire Fee (doubleheader) $220/day $220/day $225/day

Umpire Fee (single game) $135/day $135/day $140/day

Assigning Fee (per institution) $300 $300 $300

**I. Protective Gear.** All batters, base runners and catchers must wear protective helmets at all times.

**J. Pitchers' Warm-Up**. No pitcher shall be allowed to warm-up on the pitching rubber of the game field. *(Adopted 6/4/97)*

**K. Tie-Breaking Procedure**. Starting with the top of the predetermined inning (it is recommended for use beginning in the 10th inning) and each half-inning thereafter, the offensive team shall begin its turn at bat with the player scheduled to bat ninth in that half-inning being placed on second base. A substitute may be inserted for the runner. This procedure is not in effect for the Conference championship tournament. *(Adopted 6/7/95)*

**L. Eight-Run Rule**. A regulation eight-run game shall be declared by the plate umpire if one team is ahead by eight or more runs after five or more equal innings. *(Adopted 6/15/94)*

**M. Breakaway Bases**. The Conference mandates the use of breakaway bases. *(Adopted 6/4/97)*

**N. Post-Game Procedures.** At the conclusion of every inning and the end of every Centennial contest, scorers will meet to compare scorebooks. Discrepancies must be resolved at the field. If no agreement can be reached, the home team's scorebook will be considered official. *(Revised 6/1/05)*

**O. Safety Fences**. It is strongly recommended that all Centennial Conference games be played on a field with a chain-link safety fence, at least six feet in height, in front of the player/coaching benches. *(Adopted 6/2/99)*

**P. Outfield Fence.** It is strongly recommended that all Conference schools have an outfield home run fence at the distance determined by the NCAA (190-225 feet). For all new construction after 2016, it is required that the fence be six feet or higher and a minimum of 190 feet in left and right fields and 220 in center field. By 2017, an institutional field with a four-foot fence must be a minimum of 210 feet in left and right fields and 230 in center field. *(Adopted 6/6/01)*

Q. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**R. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

Section VI - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.**  At the conclusion of the regular season, the conference coaches will select an All-Conference team. The team will comprise of two starting pitchers, one catcher, first baseman, second baseman, shortstop, third baseman, catcher, three outfielders, one designated player and one utility player. The coaches will also select a Player, Defensive Player and Pitcher of the Year. *(Revised 6/5/96, 6/2/99, 5/31/17)*

**1. Nominations.** At the conclusion of the regular season, each coach of a participating Conference school should submit nominations of his/her athletes to be considered for All-Centennial status. No Conference-wide limit is made to the number of nominations that can be made for All-Conference consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Only one player may be nominated for Player of the Year status.

a. Players will be eligible for nomination at only one position on the ballot.

b. Players nominated at a specific position should have played at least 50% of the conference games at that position.

c. Players nominated at the Utility position must have played at least two or more positions with not more than 60% of playing time at one position. The breakdown should indicate the number of innings played at each position on the nominating form (example: 50/P, 50/DP, 10/1st);   
Summary: 36 games, 3 positions played. (This is the NFCA Criteria for All-region).

d. A pitcher is eligible to be nominated for Player of the Year. *(Revised 5/26/10, 5/31/17)*

**2. Voting Procedure.** Shortly after the conclusion of the regular season and prior to the start of the championship tournament, voting for All-Centennial teams should be concluded. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, and a Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be returned to the Director of Sports Information and sent via email or FAX to the Conference Office.

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**4. Determination of Player and Pitcher of the Year.** For Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. The top vote-getter among the pitching nominees will be named Pitcher of the Year. The Player and Pitcher of the Year cannot be the same player. If the top vote-getter at pitcher is selected as the Player of the Year, the runner-up in the voting for Pitcher of the Year receives the award. If a pitcher is selected as Player of the Year, her positional designation on the All-CC team will become P/UT (pitcher/utility). *(Revised 5/26/10)*

**5. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**6. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**7. Gold Glove Award.** The Conference will select a recipient for a “Gold Glove Award,” which will be given annually to the best defensive player in the Conference. Each team may nominate one player for the award. Coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.** Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/31/17)*

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**F. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VIII - Calendar

**Start of Spring Practice:** Friday, February 1

**First Contest:** Saturday, February 16

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Saturday, April 27

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Tuesday, April 30

**Conference Tournament:** Tuesday-Friday-Saturday, April 30, May 3-4

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, May 14

**NCAA Date Formula:** Regionals: one week prior to super regionals (Friday-Sunday); Super Regionals: One week prior to finals (Friday-Saturday); Finals: Memorial Day weekend (Thursday-Tuesday)

**Future NCAA Championships**

2019 – May 23-28 – Suddenlink Field, Tyler, Texas (Texas-Tyler, host)

2020 – May 21-26 - Suddenlink Field, Tyler, Texas (Texas-Tyler, host)

2021 – May 27-June 1 – Moyer Sports Complex, Salem, Va. (Old Dominion Athletic Conference, host)

2022 – May 26-31 - Moyer Sports Complex, Salem, Va. (Old Dominion Athletic Conference, host)

Swimming

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in swimming: Bryn Mawr (women only), Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, McDaniel, Swarthmore, Ursinus and Washington College.

Section II - Swimming Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Susan Fumagalli Mahoney, Gettysburg

*Committee Chair:* TBA (term expires 9-2019)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in swimming shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks. *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. First Practice.** A member institution shall not commence practice sessions before September 23. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**C. First Date of Competition.** An institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (contest or scrimmage) against outside competition before October 25. If October 25 falls on a Sunday, the preceding Saturday is permissible as the first date of competition with no prohibition for competition during the ensuing week. If October 25 falls on a Monday through Friday, teams may compete on the previous weekend in lieu of competition during that week. Teams that utilize this option are prohibited from scheduling a game or scrimmage during the following weekdays (Monday-Friday).   
*(Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 9/23/05, 5/27/09, 6/1/16)*

**D. Maximum Limitations.** An institution shall limit its playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to 16 dates of competition, except for those contests excluded in the *NCAA Manual*.

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference champion will be determined by a championship meet.

**B. Eligibility for Conference Championship.** To be eligible for the Conference championship, a school must meet every school in dual or tri-meet competition. Schools that do not meet this requirement due to severe weather conditions can request a waiver from the Conference Office. *(Revised 5/26/10)*

**C. Suspension of Championship.** The liaison for the committee should be "on call" in the event that an unforeseen emergency causes the suspension of the championship. The liaison will serve as the administrative component in the decision-making process along with the administrators on the games committee. *(Adopted 5/31/06)*

Section V - Regulations Governing Championship Competition

All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.

**A. Entry Fees.** To defray the expense of operating Conference championship events, the following fee will be assessed: $12 per individual. The fee must be received at the Conference Office before that individual can compete. The deadline for entrants is **two weeks before the start of the championship**. *(Adopted 6/2/99; Revised 5/27/09, 6/21/12)*

**B. Sites and Dates for Championships.** The championship meet should be conducted over four days on the last weekend of qualifying for the NCAA Division III Women's Championship. The site should rotate every two years between Franklin & Marshall (2021-2022) and Gettysburg (2019-2020). *(Revised 6/1/11, 5/31/17)*

**C. Starting Times for Championship Meet.** The start times for the championship will be as follows:   
*(Adopted 6/5/96; Revised 6/7/00, 6/1/05, 5/30/07, 5/26/10, 6/1/11, 5/28/14, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

Thursday – 7 p.m.

Friday – 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.  
Saturday - 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.   
Sunday - 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.

**D. Diving.** Diving will not be contested in the Centennial Conference.

**E. Roster Size.** Teams are limited to an 18-person roster for the men's championship and the women's championship. Coaches may enter 20 swimmers on the team roster for the championship and cut the team down to 18 prior to the 6 p.m. Wednesday scratch deadline. *(Adopted 6/9/04; Revised 5/31/06, 5/30/07, 5/31/17)*

**F. Relay Split Times.** An entrant may add 0.7 seconds per 100 yards to verifiable (i.e. proof of performance) relay split times for the breaststroke and butterfly strokes for use as entry times for the championship meet. These times may not be used as qualifying standards. *(Revised 6/3/98)*

**G. Entries.** Each swimmer can be entered in four individual events and compete in a maximum of three individual events. Athletes should be listed by their class year in college on entries for all meets, including the championship.   
*(Adopted 6/4/97; Revised 5/30/07, 5/30/12)*

**H. Entrants for Relays.** Each school has the option of entering two relay teams - A and B. All "A" teams swim in the championship final, while the "B" relay swims in the consolation final. *(Revised 6/7/00)*

**I. Entry Times.** To be eligible for the Conference championship, an athlete must have achieved a time in that event during the current season. A time in the 1000 freestyle must be submitted for entry into the 1650 freestyle. An entry of NT (no time) is not acceptable. Relays should have an aggregate time. All teams must have verifiable entry times. All coaches must hand-carry meet results to the championship meet. Challenges to entry times appearing on the unofficial psych sheet should be directed to the meet committee for potential action. *(Adopted 6/1/05; Revised 5/30/12)*

**J. Championship Administration.** The host institution should hire three people – an entry coordinator, an announcer and a timing operator - to assist in the administration of the championship meet. *(Revised 6/1/05)*

**K. Hosting a Conference Championship.** To host a Conference championship meet, a minimum of an eight-lane facility is required.

**L. Travel/Practice at Championship Site.** Teams are prohibited from practicing at the championship site on the Thursday before the championship meet - host team excluded. If the championship is conducted at Franklin & Marshall, teams will not travel on the Wednesday before the championship. Should inclement weather conditions arise, the decision to travel on Wednesday then lies with the institution. *(Adopted 6/5/96; Revised 5/31/17)*

**M. Championship Meet Committee.** A championship meet committee will be formed to handle any conflicts or concerns that might arise during the course of the meet. The committee will be comprised of the meet referee, a Conference representative or representative from the host institution, and two coaches who will serve on a rotating basis. *(Adopted 6/5/96)*

**Year** **head** **coach head coach**

2019 Dickinson Bryn Mawr

2020 Bryn Mawr Washington College

2021 Washington College Ursinus

2022 Ursinus Swarthmore

2023 Swarthmore McDaniel

2024 McDaniel Johns Hopkins

2025 Johns Hopkins Gettysburg

2026 Gettysburg Franklin & Marshall

2027 Franklin & Marshall Dickinson

**N. Scratch Procedure.** Individual scratch cards should be used on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. The form must be initialed by a meet official. Thursday scratches are to be done by Wednesday and are to be sent via e-mail. *(Adopted 6/2/99; Revised 5/31/17)*

**O. Heats for 1650 Freestyle.** The heats for the 1650 freestyle shall be Women - Men - Women - Men. *(Adopted 6/7/00)*

**P. Meet Information.** The championship meet information should be sent via email by the second Monday in December so all teams can make necessary arrangements. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**Q. Awards Ceremonies.** Participants should wear their institution’s official warm-up uniform to the awards stand.

**R. Officials.** All swim officials must be CSCAA certified. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**S. Time Trials.** Each swimmer is limited to no more than three individual time trials during the championship. Relay swims shall not count toward the individual maximum of three. *(Adopted 5/31/17)*

**T. Relay Entry Times.** Relay entry times must be based on 1) Actual race performances swum in the current season, or 2) an aggregation of four flat-start performances from the current season, with no individual swimmer’s times to be used for the aggregation of both an “A” and “B” relay in the same event. *(Adopted 5/31/17)*

**U. Order of Championship Events**

*(Revised 5/30/18)*

**Day 1**

200 Medley Relay

800 Freestyle Relay

**Day 2**

500 Freestyle

200 Individual Medley

50 Freestyle

400 Medley Relay

**Day 3**

200 Freestyle Relay

400 Individual Medley

100 Butterfly

200 Freestyle

100 Breaststroke

100 Backstroke

**Day 4**

1650 Freestyle

200 Backstroke

100 Freestyle

200 Breaststroke

200 Butterfly

400 Freestyle Relay

Section VI - Dual and Tri-Meet Competition

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Dual Meet Entries.** All coaches should send out Hy-Tek roster files to ease dual meet computer entry work, and finalize scheduled prior to the season as needed. Athletes should be listed by their class year in college on entries for all meets, including the championship. *(Adopted 5/31/06; Revised 5/30/12)*

**B. Intermissions.** There shall be two breaks of 10 minutes each during the meet.

**C. Changes in Meet Format.** If mutually agreeable, changes in the normal dual meet format are permitted provided changes are requested with a minimum of five (5) days in advance.

**D. Times for Swimmers.** The host institution is responsible for providing times for all swimmers, either through electronic timing or hand-held stopwatches for each lane.

**E. Officials.** There shall be a minimum of two officials for a dual meet, and three officials are highly recommended.

**F. Team Score.** The running team score for the meet should be displayed and/or announced at all meets.

**G. Split Times.** All dual meet split times are to be posted on the deck for swimmers to see as soon as possible after each event.   
*(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**H. Postponed Meets.** All postponed Conference meets will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play, a postponed Conference meet will be rescheduled for the next available date and shall have priority over non-Conference meets.

**I. Distribution of Results.** The host institution will send out meet results to all other Conference institutions on the Monday following the meet. Results of non-Conference meets must also be forwarded at the same time by all Centennial schools. Relay splits should be included. The results must not necessarily be typed, but must be readable.

J. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**K. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

Section VII - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** The winner of each event at the Conference championship meet will be named All-Conference, while the second-place finisher will be named honorable mention.

**B. Outstanding Performers of the Championship.** A male and a female swimmer will be recognized at the conclusion of the championship as the meet's outstanding performers. The selection criteria is as follows:

1. Individual Points Accumulated.

2. Number of NCAA "A" Qualifying times established at the meet.

3. Number of NCAA "B" Qualifying times established at the meet

4. Championship Meet records established at the meet.

5. Conference records established at the meet. *(Revised 6/5/97, 6/3/98, 5/29/13)*

**C. Outstanding Rookie Performers of the Championship.** A male and a female swimmer will be recognized at the conclusion of the championship as the meet's outstanding performers. The selection criteria is as follows:

1. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his or her first year of competition.

2. Individual Points Accumulated

3. Number of NCAA "A" Qualifying times established at the meet.

4. Number of NCAA "B" Qualifying times established at the meet

5. Championship Meet records established at the meet.

6. Conference records established at the meet. *(Adopted 5/30/12; Revised 5/29/13)*

**D. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**E. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will select an Athlete of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Revised 5/28/14)*

**F. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**G. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**H. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VIII - Championship Meet Expenses

**A. Budget.** The host institution should pay for all expenses and submit a Championship Expense Report Form to the Conference Office for reimbursement. If expenses are entirely covered through ticket sales and extra revenue remains, it will be returned to the Conference Office to offset deficits from other championships. If expenses are not covered by the fees, the Conference Office will absorb the deficit, provided the host institution kept expenses within the budget guidelines.

**B. Admission Charge.** An admission charge will be assessed at the Conference championship - $55 for all-sessions pass. Tickets will be available online during pre-sale windows prior to the championship. Any remaining tickets will be available for single sessions on the competition days at $5 for morning trials and $10 for evening finals. No students at participating Conference institutions (with valid student ID) nor youth 12 and under will be charged an admission fee. There are no complimentary tickets for the Conference swimming championships, though an institution may purchase tickets for special guests and friends of the institution.   
*(Revised 6/2/99, 6/1/05, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

Section IX – Calendar

**Start of Practice:** Sunday, September 23

**First Contest:** Saturday, October 20 with stipulations

**Conference Championship:** Thursday-Friday-Saturday-Sunday, February 21-22-23-24 at Gettysburg

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, March 5

**Future Centennial Conference Championships**

February 21-22-23-24, 2019 – Gettysburg College

February 20-21-22-23, 2020 – Gettysburg College

**Future NCAA Championships**

2019 – March 20-23 – Greensboro Aquatic Center, Greensboro, N.C. (Old Dominion Athletic Conference, host)

2020 – March 18-21 – Greensboro Aquatic Center, Greensboro, N.C. (Old Dominion Athletic Conference, host)

Tennis (M)

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in tennis: Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford, Johns Hopkins, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus and Washington College.

Section II - Men's Tennis Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Patricia Epps, Franklin & Marshall

*Committee Chair:* TBA (term expires 9-2021)

*NCAA Atlantic South Advisory Committee:* Josh Schofield, Franklin & Marshall (term expires 9-2019)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in tennis shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks. *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Permissible Practice.** The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first permissible date of competition (as opposed to the institution’s first date of competition). *(Revised 6/4/03, 4/11/11)*

**2. First Permissible Competition.** Fall: September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, or the first day of classes, whichever is earlier. Spring: An institution shall not play its first contest (including a scrimmage) against outside competition prior to the date that permits 11 regular-season Saturdays before the Centennial Conference tournament. *(Revised 6/4/0, 9/23/05, 5/28/08, 5/27/09, 4/11/11, 5/27/15)*

**3. Maximum Limitations.** An institution shall limit its playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to 18 dates of competition and one alumni scrimmage*.* *(Revised 6/4/03, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference champion will be determined by a five-team tournament. The teams will be determined by best won-loss record in the Conference round-robin dual match format.   
*(Adopted 6/1/05; Revised 5/26/10, 5/27/15)*

**First Round** (Wednesday at No. 4 seed): No. 5 seed vs. No. 4 seed.

**Semifinals** (Saturday at No. 1 seed): No. 4/5 seed vs. No. 1 seed; No. 2 seed vs. No. 3 seed. Top seed determines the order of   
 semifinal games in consultation with Conference Office.

**Championship** (Sunday at No. 1 seed): semifinal winners.

If one school has both men’s and women’s teams participating in first-round tournament matches – and has one head coach for   
 both teams – the matches would be played Tuesday (odd years-women, even years-men) and Wednesday.

**B. Championship Date Formula.** The Centennial Conference championship tournament should be conducted on the weekend of NCAA championship selection.

**C. Tie-Breaking Formula**

1. Head-to-Head Centennial Conference play among tied teams;

2. Individual matches won in dual-match play among tied teams;

3. Record versus teams in descending order of standing;

4. Number of individual matches won against teams in descending order of standing;

5. Coin flip by the Executive Director.

When any secondary criteria in a multiple-team tie favors one team over the others, that team earns the seed and is removed from the tie-breaker. Re-apply the criteria to all remaining teams, starting with the Conference's primary tiebreaker for all sports (head-to-head Centennial competition). *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 5/27/15)*

**D. Starting Times.** *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**Semifinals** (Saturday): 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. The top seed will determine the order of semifinal matches

in consultation with the Conference Office.

**Championship** (Sunday): 1 p.m.

**E. Matches.** All tournament competition will take place until the winner of the team match is determined, unless coaches mutually agree before the start of the team match to play to completion of the match. *(Adopted 6/1/05; Revised 3/20/07)*

F. Incomplete Tournament. If the championship tournament cannot be completed and each team has completed at least one tournament contest, the highest remaining seed will be the Conference's champion and automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament. Otherwise, the top seed as determined by the regular season will receive the automatic qualifier.   
*(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/9/04)*

**G. Inclement Weather.** In the event of rain, the host institution will make provision for indoor backup courts. The host institution must secure a location that guarantees court availability and indoor backup for the duration of the championship.   
*(Adopted 6/1/05; Revised 5/28/08)*

**H. Officials.** The Conference Office will secure a USTA/ITA certified official for each semifinal and for the final match.   
*(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**I. Practice at Championship Site**. No practice will be permitted at the championship site (host team excluded) prior to match day.

*(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**J. Lineups.** In order to participate in the Conference championship tournament, a player must be listed in the lineup submitted to the Conference Office prior to the start. *(Adopted 6/1/16)*

Section V - Regulations Governing Team Competition

*Conference competition shall follow ITA/USTA rules unless amended below.*

**A. Order of Match.** Team matches shall consist of three (3) doubles, followed by six (6) singles matches. Doubles shall be played first. In Conference matches, each will be worth one point. Conference matches will consist of eight-game pro sets for doubles, and singles will be best-of-three sets. *(Revised 6/7/95, 6/5/02, 5/31/06)*

**B. Match Outcome Decided.** Once a team match outcome is determined, all individual matches in progress will play 10-point tiebreaker in lieu of a third set. Any individual matches not yet begun will be eight-game pro sets. *(Adopted 6/5/02)*

**C. Matches Moved Indoors.** If a match begins outdoors and moves indoors, the campus indoor facility will be used if available. Individual matches in progress will be played to completion. Matches begun indoors will play 10-point tiebreaker in lieu of a third set. *(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/1/11)*

**D. Official.**  Each Conference match shall have one paid ITA/USTA certified official. Only officials may report score, call lines, etc. and perform duties that fall under the jurisdiction of the referee of the match. *(Adopted 6/15/94; Revised 6/2/99, 6/1/11, 5/30/18)*

**E. Completing Matches**. All team matches must be played to completion unless the coaches mutually agree to terminate competition once the team outcome has been determined. If a match is not played to completion, continuation of the match will be played according to ITA rules, unless mutually agreed upon by the coaches. The ITA rules stipulate that if a match can be continued within 48 hours of suspension of play, the match resumes where it left off. After 48 hours, a new match must begin.   
*(Adopted 6/3/98)*

**F. Warm-Up Time.** Players shall have five (5) minutes to warm up, including serves, prior to the start of a match.

**G. Rest Between Matches.** Players may receive a 15-minute rest period between matches.

**H. Postponed Matches**. All postponed Conference matches will be rescheduled within the next seven days upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play prior to the NCAA tournament, a postponed Conference match will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches and administrators for the next available date and shall have priority over non-Conference matches. All Conference matches must be rescheduled and played should the original date be postponed. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 6/4/03)*

**I. Attire**. Players shall wear proper tennis attire with a team/college logo and/or school colors. *(Revised 5/31/06)*

J. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**K. Cut-Off Date.** The cut-off date for the completion of Conference regular-season competition is 6 p.m. on the Sunday prior to the championship. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**L. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**M. Changes to Lineup.** A player shall not be moved down in the lineup because of:

1. An injury that has lasted and forced the player out of the lineup for less than three weeks;

2. Disciplinary measures; or

3. Challenge matches after 50 percent of the team’s playing dates have been completed.

**N. Court Equipment.** All member institutions should supply singles sticks, center straps and any other equipment necessary for an ITA sanctioned match. *(Adopted 6/1/16)*

Section VI - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** At the conclusion of the regular season, the conference coaches will select an All-Conference team. The team will comprise of (6) singles players and (3) doubles teams. The coaches will also select a Player of the Year.

1. **Nominations.** Approximately seven days before the conclusion of the regular season, each coach of a participating Conference school should submit nominations of his/her athletes to be considered for All-Centennial status. No Conference-wide limit is made to the number of nominations that can be made for All-Conference consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Some sport committees may establish maximums for the number of nominees. Only one player may be nominated for Player of the Year status.
2. **Eligibility**. To be considered for the All-Conference team or a postseason award, a singles player or doubles team must compete in at least 50 percent of Conference matches during the regular season. *(Adopted 5/28/14)*

**3. Voting Procedure.** Shortly after the conclusion of the regular season and prior to the start of the championship tournament, voting for All-Centennial teams should be concluded. Coaches should vote for 1st team selections, and a Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be returned to the Director of Sports Information and sent via email or FAX to the Conference Office.

**4. Determination of All-Conference Team.** Two (2) points will be awarded for a 1st team vote. Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-Centennial status. Ties will be broken in favor of the candidate with the highest number of 1st team votes. If the tie is still not broken, additional players may be added to the All-Star team.

**5. Determination of Player of the Year.** For Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**6. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**7. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**B. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**C. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**D. Championship Tournament MVP.** The Conference will select a most valuable player (MVP) of the championship tournament. The Conference Office will determine the process for selection. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**E. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**F. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize a Player of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Adopted 5/28/14)*

Section VII – Calendar

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, January 22

**First Spring Contest:** Saturday, February 16

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Saturday, April 27

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Wednesday, May 1

**Conference Tournament:** Wednesday-Saturday-Sunday, May 1-4-5

**NCAA Date Formula:** The first three rounds of the NCAA tournament will begin on the second Friday in May (Friday-Sunday). The team finals will begin on the Tuesday prior to Memorial Day (Tuesday-Thursday). The singles and doubles competition will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

**Future NCAA Championships**

2019 – May 20-25 – Stowe Stadium, Kalamazoo, Mich. (Kalamazoo, host)

2020 – May 18-23 – Dwight Davis Memorial Tennis Center, St. Louis, Mo. (Washington U., host)

2021 – May 24-29 - Biszantz Family Tennis Center, Claremont, Calif. (Claremont-Mudd-Scripps, host)

2022 – May 23-28 – USTA National Campus, Orlando, Fla. (Oglethorpe, host)

Tennis (W)

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in tennis: Bryn Mawr, Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford, Johns Hopkins, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus and Washington College.

Section II - Women's Tennis Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Patricia Epps, Franklin & Marshall

*Committee Chair:* Dave Woodring, Johns Hopkins (term expires 9-2020)

*NCAA Atlantic South Advisory Committee:* Drew Cohn, Haverford (term expires 9-2021)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in tennis shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks. *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Permissible Practice.** The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first permissible date of competition (as opposed to the institution’s first date of competition). *(Revised 6/4/03, 4/11/11)*

**2. First Permissible Competition.** Fall: September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, or the first day of classes, whichever is earlier. Spring: An institution shall not play its first contest (including a scrimmage) against outside competition prior to the date that permits 11 regular-season Saturdays before the Centennial Conference tournament. *(Revised 6/4/0, 9/23/05, 5/28/08, 5/27/09, 4/11/11, 5/27/15)*

**3. Maximum Limitations.** An institution shall limit its playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to 18 dates of competition and one alumni scrimmage*.* *(Revised 6/4/03, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference champion will be determined by a five-team tournament. The teams will be determined by best won-loss record in the Conference round-robin dual match format.   
*(Adopted 6/1/05; Revised 5/26/10, 5/27/15)*

**First Round** (Wednesday at No. 4 seed): No. 5 seed vs. No. 4 seed.

**Semifinals** (Saturday at No. 1 seed): No. 4/5 seed vs. No. 1 seed; No. 2 seed vs. No. 3 seed. Top seed determines the order of   
 semifinal games in consultation with Conference Office.

**Championship** (Sunday at No. 1 seed): semifinal winners.

If one school has both men’s and women’s teams participating in first-round tournament matches – and has one head coach for   
 both teams – the matches would be played Tuesday (odd years-women, even years-men) and Wednesday.

**B. Championship Date Formula.** The Centennial Conference championship tournament should be conducted on the weekend of NCAA championship selection.

**C. Tie-Breaking Formula**

1. Head-to-Head Centennial Conference play among tied teams;

2. Individual matches won in dual-match play among tied teams;

3. Record versus teams in descending order of standing;

4. Number of individual matches won against teams in descending order of standing;

5. Coin flip by the Executive Director.

When any secondary criteria in a multiple-team tie favors one team over the others, that team earns the seed and is removed from the tie-breaker. Re-apply the criteria to all remaining teams, starting with the Conference's primary tiebreaker for all sports (head-to-head Centennial competition). *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 5/27/15)*

**D. Starting Times.** *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**Semifinals** (Saturday): 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. The top seed will determine the order of semifinal matches

in consultation with the Conference Office.

**Championship** (Sunday): 1 p.m.

**E. Matches.** All tournament competition will take place until the winner of the team match is determined, unless coaches mutually agree before the start of the team match to play to completion of the match. *(Adopted 6/1/05; Revised 3/20/07)*

F. Incomplete Tournament. If the championship tournament cannot be completed and each team has completed at least one tournament contest, the highest remaining seed will be the Conference's champion and automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament. Otherwise, the top seed as determined by the regular season will receive the automatic qualifier.   
*(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/9/04)*

**G. Inclement Weather.** In the event of rain, the host institution will make provision for indoor backup courts. The host institution must secure a location that guarantees court availability and indoor backup for the duration of the championship.   
*(Adopted 6/1/05; Revised 5/28/08)*

**H. Officials.** The Conference Office will secure a USTA/ITA certified official for each semifinal and for the final match.   
*(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**I. Practice at Championship Site**. No practice will be permitted at the championship site (host team excluded) prior to match day.

*(Adopted 6/1/05)*

Section V - Regulations Governing Team Competition

*Conference competition shall follow ITA/USTA rules unless amended below.*

**A. Order of Match.** Team matches shall consist of three (3) doubles, followed by six (6) singles matches. Doubles shall be played first. In Conference matches, each will be worth one point. Conference matches will consist of eight-game pro sets for doubles, and singles will be best-of-three sets. *(Revised 6/7/95; 6/5/02; 5/31/06)*

**B. Match Outcome Decided.** Once a team match outcome is determined, all individual matches in progress will play 10-point tiebreaker in lieu of a third set. Any individual matches not yet begun will be eight-game pro sets. *(Adopted 6/5/02)*

**C. Matches Moved Indoors.** If a match begins outdoors and moves indoors, the campus indoor facility will be used if available. Individual matches in progress will be played to completion. Matches begun indoors will play 10-point tiebreaker in lieu of a third set. *(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/1/11)*

**D. Official.**  Each Conference match must have one paid ITA/USTA certified official. Only officials may report score, call lines, etc. and perform duties that fall under the jurisdiction of the referee of the match. *(Adopted 6/15/94, Revised 6/2/99, 6/1/11)*

**E. Completing Matches**. All team matches must be played to completion unless the coaches mutually agree to terminate competition once the team outcome has been determined. If a match is not played to completion, continuation of the match will be played according to ITA rules, unless mutually agreed upon by the coaches. The ITA rules stipulate that if a match can be continued within 48 hours of suspension of play, the match resumes where it left off. After 48 hours, a new match must begin.   
*(Adopted 6/3/98)*

**F. Warm-Up Time.** Players shall have five (5) minutes to warm up, including serves, prior to the start of a match.

**G. Rest Between Matches.** Players may receive a 15-minute rest period between matches.

**H. Postponed Matches**. All postponed Conference matches will be rescheduled within the next seven days upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play prior to the NCAA tournament, a postponed Conference match will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches and administrators for the next available date and shall have priority over non-Conference matches. All Conference matches must be rescheduled and played should the original date be postponed. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 6/4/03)*

**I. Attire**. Players shall wear proper tennis attire with a team/college logo and/or school colors. *(Revised 5/31/06)*

J. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**K. Cut-Off Date.** The cut-off date for the completion of Conference regular-season competition is 6 p.m. on the Sunday prior to the championship. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**L. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**M. Changes to Lineup.** A player shall not be moved down in the lineup because of:

1. An injury that has lasted and forced the player out of the lineup for less than three weeks;

2. Disciplinary measures; or

3. Challenge matches after 50 percent of the team’s playing dates have been completed.

**N. Court Equipment.** All member institutions should supply singles sticks, center straps and any other equipment necessary for an ITA sanctioned match. *(Adopted 6/1/16)*

Section VI - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** At the conclusion of the regular season, the conference coaches will select an All-Conference team. The team will comprise of (6) singles players and (3) doubles teams. The coaches will also select a Player of the Year.

1. **Nominations.** Approximately seven days before the conclusion of the regular season, each coach of a participating Conference school should submit nominations of his/her athletes to be considered for All-Centennial status. No Conference-wide limit is made to the number of nominations that can be made for All-Conference consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Some sport committees may establish maximums for the number of nominees. Only one player may be nominated for Player of the Year status.
2. **Eligibility**. To be considered for the All-Conference team or a postseason award, a singles player or doubles team must compete in at least 50 percent of Conference matches during the regular season. *(Adopted 5/28/14)*

**3. Voting Procedure.** Shortly after the conclusion of the regular season and prior to the start of the championship tournament, voting for All-Centennial teams should be concluded. Coaches should vote for 1st team selections, and a Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be returned to the Director of Sports Information and sent via email or FAX to the Conference Office.

**4. Determination of All-Conference Team.** Two (2) points will be awarded for a 1st team vote. Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-Centennial status. Ties will be broken in favor of the candidate with the highest number of 1st team votes. If the tie is still not broken, additional players may be added to the All-Star team.

**5. Determination of Player of the Year.** For Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**6. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**7. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**B. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**C. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**D. Championship Tournament MVP.** The Conference will select a most valuable player (MVP) of the championship tournament. The Conference Office will determine the process for selection. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**E. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports. The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**F. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize a Player of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Adopted 5/28/14)*

Section VII – Calendar

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, January 22

**First Spring Contest:** Saturday, February 16

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Saturday, April 27

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Wednesday, May 1

**Conference Tournament:** Wednesday-Saturday-Sunday, May 1-4-5

**NCAA Date Formula:** The first three rounds of the NCAA tournament will begin on the second Friday in May (Friday-Sunday). The team finals will begin on the Tuesday prior to Memorial Day (Tuesday-Thursday). The singles and doubles competition will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

**Future NCAA Championships**

2019 – May 20-25 – Stowe Stadium, Kalamazoo, Mich. (Kalamazoo, host)

2020 – May 18-23 – Dwight Davis Memorial Tennis Center, St. Louis, Mo. (Washington U., host)

2021 – May 24-29 – Biszantz Family Tennis Center, Claremont, Calif. (Claremont-Mudd-Scripps, host)

2022 – May 23-28 – USTA National Campus, Orlando, Fla. (Oglethorpe, host)

Track and Field

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in track and field: Bryn Mawr (women only), Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford, Johns Hopkins, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore and Ursinus.

Section II - Track and Field Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Laura Moliken, Ursinus

*Committee Chair:* TBA (term expires 9-2021)

*NCAA Committee:*Don Nichter, Dickinson (term expires 9-2019)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in indoor and outdoor track and field shall be limited to the following:

(1) An institution that sponsors only indoor or outdoor track and field (but not both) shall be limited to a maximum playing  
season of 19 weeks.

(2) An institution that sponsors both indoor or outdoor track and field shall be limited to a maximum playing season of 24 weeks. *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**A. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Practice or Competition.** September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. Practice in the spring semester shall begin on February 1.

**2. Maximum Limitations.** An institution shall limit its playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to 18 dates of competition, except for those contests excluded in the *NCAA Manual*.

**B. Nontraditional Segment**

**1. First Practice or Competition.** September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. Practice in the spring semester shall begin on February 1.

**2. Practice Opportunities.** The Conference permits a maximum of 16 practices with no more than four practices in any one week. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**3. Maximum Limitations.** The Conference permits one date of competition with outside competition that is counted toward the allowable 16 practices *(i.e. 15 practices + 1 DOC = 16; 16 practices + 0 DOC = 16)*. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**4. Class/Laboratory Time.** No class or laboratory time may be missed for practice or competition.

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The conference champion will be determined at a conference championship meet.

**B. Eligibility for Championship.** In outdoor track and field, each Conference school must schedule a minimum of three Centennial schools over two competitive dates during the regular season to be eligible for the Conference championship.

**C. Site and Date for Indoor Championship.** The indoor championship will be held two weeks before the NCAA Division III Championships. Sites for the championship: 2019-Franklin & Marshall; 2020-Franklin & Marshall.

**D. Site and Date for Outdoor Championship.** The outdoor championship will be held on the first weekend in May. Sites for the championship will be selected for two years: 2019-Muhlenberg. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**E. Suspension of Championship.** The liaison for the committee should be "on call" in the event that an unforeseen emergency causes the suspension of the championship. The liaison will serve as the administrative component in the decision-making process along with the administrators on the games committee. *(Adopted 5/31/06)*

Section V - Regulations Governing Competition

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Entry Fees.** To defray the expense of operating Conference championship events, the following fee will be assessed: $12 per individual. The fee must be received by the host institution before that individual can compete. The deadline for entrants is   
**4 p.m. Wednesday for the indoor championship and 6 p.m. Wednesday for the outdoor championship**.

Coaches shall be given the opportunity to submit late entries to the Games Committee after the entry deadline and prior to the entry list being published on the internet. The coach can request to have the athlete added to the neglected event but cannot scratch the athlete out of any other events entered in. A letter of reprimand will be created by the Conference Office and sent to the offending school’s athletics director for missing the deadline. Final declarations are Thursday at noon. The performance list can be available Thursday evening. *(Adopted 6/2/99; Revised 6/5/02, 6/4/03, 5/30/12, 6/21/12)*

**B. Order of Events.** The committee will determine the order of events for the Indoor and Outdoor Championships. Unless the facility demands otherwise, the order of events will be standard.

**C. Championship Events.** The Conference sponsors the following events for the outdoor championship: 100, 100/110 Hurdles, 200, 400, 400 Hurdles, 800, 1500, Steeplechase, 5000, 10000, High Jump, Long Jump, Triple Jump, Discus, Hammer Throw, Javelin, Shot Put, Pole Vault, 4x100 Relay, 4x400 Relay, 4x800 Relay, Heptathlon (women) and Decathlon (men).   
  
The Conference sponsors the following events for the indoor championship: Long Jump, High Jump, Shot Put, Triple Jump, Pole Vault, 60 Dash, 60 Hurdles, 200, 400, 800, Mile, 3000, 5000, 4x200 Relay, 4x400 Relay, 4x800 Relay, Distance Medley Relay, Heptathlon (men) and Pentathlon (women). *(Revised 12/1/98, 6/7/00, 11/30/04, 5/27/09, 5/30/12, 6/1/16)*

**D. Tentative Championship Schedule**

**Indoor Championship**

**Day 1**

Multis

Pole Vault

Triple Jump

60 trials

60 hurdle trials

4x200 relay

Distance Medley Relay

5000

**Indoor Championship**

**Day 2**

Multis

Shot Put

High Jump

5000

Hurdle trials

Mile

400

Hurdle finals

Dash finals

800

200

3000

4 x 800 Relay

Awards Ceremony

**Outdoor Championship**

**Friday**

1:00 Multis begin

1:00 Pole Vault

TBA 10,000

**Saturday**

TBA Hammer throw

8:45 Multis continue

12:00 Steeplechase

High Jump

12:50 Hurdle trials

1:20 400 trials

1:30 Long Jump

1:50 100 trials

2:20 800 trials

3:00 Discus

400 hurdle trials

3:40 200 trials

4:20 4 x 800 relay

**Sunday**

11:00 Javelin

4 x 100 relay

11:10 Triple Jump

11:20 1500 final

12:20 Hurdle final

12:40 400 final

1:00 Shot Put

1:00 100 final

1:20 800 final

1:40 400 hurdle final

2:00 200 final

2:20 5,000 final

3:55 4 x 400 relay

4:15 Awards Ceremony

**E. Outdoor Starting Times.** The 10,000-meter run will be conducted on Friday evening with the start time to be determined during a pre-championship conference call, factoring in predicted weather conditions. The first race will not begin prior to 5 p.m. No travel will be done on Thursday. The running events will begin at 11 a.m. on Sunday. The games committee has the authority to move up the start time of the 4x400 relay by 15 minutes based on the estimated conclusion of the 5,000 meters.   
*(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/1/11, 5/28/14)*

**F. Scoring.** Eight places will score in both the indoor and the outdoor championships. *(Revised 6/5/02)*

**G. Field Events.** The number of finalists shall be one more than the number of scoring positions. *(Adopted 6/3/98)*

**H. Implements.** For outdoor track, implementation certification will take place 2 1/2 hours before the first throwing events each day for a one-hour period. Implementation certification will end 90 minutes before the start of the first throwing event.   
*(Adopted 6/3/98; Revised 6/4/03)*

**I. Heat Advancement.** If there are four or less heats, the heat winners will go to the fast section of the final. If there are five or more heats, the four fastest heat winners go to the fast section and the other heat winners and fastest times fill out heats. If there is a fourth-place tie for heat winners, five runners advance. If there is a tie for eighth place, nine runners advance. *(Adopted 6/5/02)*

J. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**K. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference game scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**L. Indoor Championship Schedule.** Once the indoor championship schedule is published prior to the championship, it shall not be altered by the committee during the pre-championship conference call. *(Adopted 6/1/11)*

**M. Qualifying Performances.** A participant may not use an indoor performance to qualify for the outdoor championship.   
*(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**N. Officials.** The host institution is required to supply six umpires for running events and a field even referee for the outdoor championship. *(Adopted 5/27/15)*

**O. Certified Track Lines.** The host institution must conduct the championship using certified track lines. This is especially apparent in an event where the games committee decided to conduct a running event (100, 100/110 hurdles, 200) in the opposite direction due to adverse weather conditions. *(Adopted 5/31/17)*

**P. Indoor Facilities for Outdoor Championship.** The host institution must have an indoor facility available to host pole vault and high jump in case of adverse weather conditions. *(Adopted 5/31/17)*

Section VII - Championship Qualifying Standards

Standards for the Centennial Conference championships will be based on a five-year moving average of the 18th best performance in field events and the 22nd best performance in track events. A minimum of two years in the five-year period should be averaged to create the qualifying standard. For events that do not reach these marks, Conference qualifying standards established pre-2004 remain in place. For the indoor championship, NCAA conversion marks for the 60-meter dash, 60-meter high hurdles and the mile may be used. Also, timed conversions may be used for performances made on either banked or oversized tracks for distances between 200 and 5,000 meters.All programs should be permitted to enter all relays whether or not they have a qualifying time.

**Conversions** - **60-meter dash / hurdles:** use NCAA pentathlon scoring sheets to convert into 55-meter times. **Mile:** divide mile time by 1.08 or multiply mile time by 0.925 to convert to 1500-meter time. (Revised 6/5/02, 10/7/03, 6/1/05, 5/30/07, 5/28/08, 6/1/11)

To qualify for the indoor multis, an athlete must reach the standard, qualify in at least one individual event, and contest in all multi events during the course of the indoor season. An athlete may replace the 1,000 with either an 800 or mile performance for qualifying.  *(Revised 5/28/14)*

Section VIII - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** The first finisher in each event will be named All-Conference, while the first finishing relay team will also be named All-Conference. The second finisher in each event will be named second team All-Conference, while the third finisher will be named honorable mention. *(Revised 5/30/12)*

**B. Outstanding Performer of the Meet.** The Performer(s) of the Meet will be determined by a coaches' vote by Tuesday after the conclusion of the championship meet. The coaches will select an athlete for the track events and the field events. A Rookie of the Meet will also be determined. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his or her first year of competition.   
*(Adopted 6/5/02, Revised 5/30/12, 5/28/14)*

**C. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches will be asked to nominate **one** opposing coach for Coach of the Year. Coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**D. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**E. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**F. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize a track event athlete and a field event athlete as Athletes of the Week for individual performances during a selected period. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**G. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports.   
The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section IX - Championship Meet

The host institution should pay for all expenses and submit a Championship Expense Report Form to the Conference Office for reimbursement. If expenses are entirely covered through ticket sales and extra revenue remains, it will be returned to the Conference Office to offset deficits from other championships. If the expenses are not covered by the fees, the Conference Office will absorb the deficit, provided the host institution kept expenses within the budget guidelines.

Section X - Calendar

**Committee Meeting:** Monday, November 26; Wednesday, May 8

**Indoor Championship:** Saturday-Sunday, February 23-24 at Franklin & Marshall

**Outdoor Championship:** Friday-Saturday-Sunday, May 3-4-5 at Muhlenberg

**NCAA Indoor Date Formula:** Second weekend in March (Friday-Saturday)

**Future Centennial Conference Indoor Championships**

2019 – February 23-24 – Franklin & Marshall

**Future NCAA Indoor Championships**

2019 – March 8-9 – Reggie Lewis Center, Boston, Mass. (UMass-Boston, host)

2020 – March 13-14 – SPIRE Institute, Geneva, Ohio (Mount Union, host)

2021 – March 12-13 – JDL Fast Track, Winston-Salem, N.C. (Guilford, host)

2022 – March 11-12 - Reggie Lewis Center, Boston, Mass. (UMass-Boston, host)

**NCAA Outdoor Date Formula:** Last full weekend in May prior to Memorial Day (Thursday-Saturday)

**Future Centennial Conference Outdoor Championships**

2019 – May 3-4-5 – Muhlenberg

**Future NCAA Outdoor Championships**

2019 – May 23-25 – SPIRE Institute, Geneva, Ohio (Mount Union, host)

2020 – May 21-23 – Polisseni Track and Field Complex, Rochester, N.Y. (St. John Fisher, host)

2021 – May 27-29 – SPIRE Institute, Geneva, Ohio (Mount Union, host)

2022 – May 26-28 – Irwin Belk Track, Greensboro, N.C. (North Carolina A&T, host)

Volleyball

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in volleyball: Bryn Mawr, Dickinson, Franklin & Marshall, Gettysburg, Haverford, Johns Hopkins, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Swarthmore, Ursinus, Washington College.

Section II - Volleyball Contacts

*Liaison to Delegates:* Bobbi Morgan, Haverford

*Committee Chair:* TBA (term expires 9-2021)

*NCAA Mid-Atlantic Advisory Committee:* Andrew Pile, Dickinson (term expires 9-2021)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in volleyball shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks.   
*(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. First Permissible Practice.** A member institution shall not commence practice sessions before the date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition. A "unit" is a numerical value assigned to a particular calendar day within the application of the preseason practice formula that is used to determine the first permissible practice date for fall sports other than football. The number of units assigned to a particular day does not determine or limit the number of practices that may be conducted on that day. *(Adopted 5/4/09)*

**2. Determining the First Permissible Practice Date.** To determine the first permissible practice date, an institution shall count back a total of 16 units on a calendar starting with the day before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition, as follows:

a, Never assign any units to Sundays on the calendar; it is permissible to practice on Sundays;

b. Never assign any units to calendar days during the preseason when all institutional dormitories are closed, the institution's team must leave campus, and practice is not conducted;

c. The first six units: assign one unit to each of the six calendar days (not including Sunday) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition;

d. The remaining ten units:

i. Assign one unit to each calendar day (not including Sundays) that occurs on or after the opening day of classes for the fall term and

ii. Assign two units to each calendar day before the opening day of classes for the fall term (not including Sundays) until the sum of units on the calendar reaches 16;

e. The date on which the total count of units on the calendar reaches 16 is the first permissible date for preseason practice.  *(Adopted 5/4/09)*

**3. First Contest or Date of Competition.** September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. An institution may conduct an unlimited number of exhibitions or scrimmages on one date during the preseason practice period. *(Revised 5/27/09, 5/29/13)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** For the 2018-19 academic year, an institution shall limit its playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to 20 dates of competition, one exempt scrimmage date and one exempted alumni scrimmage. *(Revised 6/4/03, 5/28/08, 5/29/13, 5/31/17, 5/30/18)*

**C. Nontraditional Segment**

**1. First Permissible Practice and Competition.** February 1. *(Revised 1/12/04)*

**2. Nontraditional Season Length.** All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment is limited to a maximum of five weeks and shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution’s final examination period.

**3. Practice Opportunities.** The Conference permits a maximum of 16 practices with no more than four practices in any one week. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**4. Maximum Limitations.** The Conference permits one date of competition with outside competition that is counted toward the allowable 16 practices *(i.e. 15 practices + 1 DOC = 16; 16 practices + 0 DOC = 16)*. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

**5. Class/Laboratory Time.** No class or laboratory time may be missed for practice or competition.

**6. Date of Competition Limitations.** A maximum of eight hours of athletically related activity may occur on the one date of competition for all participants. Further, competition activity on the one date must be included in the eight-hour maximum and is also limited to three regulation matches or 15 regulation sets. *(Revised 4/17/07)*

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

*All NCAA championship rules apply unless amended below.*

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference champion will be determined by a five-team playoff. The teams are determined by the best won-lost records in a round-robin format.

**First Round** (Wednesday): No. 5 seed at No. 4 seed.

**Semifinals** (Saturday at No. 1 seed): first-round winner vs. No. 1 seed; No. 2 seed vs. No. 3 seed.

Top seed determines the order of semifinal games in consultation with Conference Office.

**Championship** (Sunday at No. 1 seed): semifinal winners. *(Adopted 6/9/04; Revised 11/30/04)*

**B. Championship Date Formula.** The Centennial Conference championship tournament shall be held on the weekend of NCAA tournament selection.

**C. Tie-Breaking Formulas**

1. Head-to-Head Conference competition.

2. Team with best record vs. 1st place team, 2nd place team, etc. until tie is broken.

3. Set percentage among tied teams.

4. Point differential in sets among tied teams.

5. Coin flip by Executive Secretary.

When any secondary criteria in a multiple-team tie favors one team over the others, that team earns the seed and is removed from the tie-breaker. Re-apply the criteria to all remaining teams, starting with the Conference's primary tiebreaker for all sports (head-to-head Centennial competition). *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 5/27/15)*

**D. Starting Times.** With certain exceptions for multiple events at one venue or economic concerns, semifinals should start no earlier than noon and the Sunday final no later than 2 p.m. *(Adopted 6/7/00; Revised 6/6/01, 6/9/04, 6/1/11, 5/30/12)*

**First Round** (Wednesday): 7 p.m.

**Semifinals** (Saturday): 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

**Championship** (Sunday): 1 p.m.

E. Incomplete Tournament. If the championship tournament cannot be completed and each team has completed at least one tournament contest, the highest remaining seed will be the Conference's champion and automatic qualifier to the NCAA tournament. Otherwise, the top seed as determined by the regular season will receive the automatic qualifier. *(Adopted 6/5/02; Revised 6/9/04)*

**F. Practice at Championship Site**

1. No practice will be permitted at the championship site (host team excluded) prior to game day.

2. No practice on the game venue prior to the semifinals. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**G. Match Protocol**

For tournament matches that begin at top-of-the-hour (1:00, 7:00, etc.)

1. 41 minutes allotted for shared warm-up

2. 4 minutes for visiting team court

3. 4 minutes for home team court

4. 5 minutes for visiting team court

5. 5 minutes for home team court

6. 1 minute for team huddle/announcements

7. National Anthem/player introductions

8. Match begins

Section V - Rules Governing Competition

*All NCAA championship rules apply unless amended below. The recommended match protocol appears in the NAGWS rulebook.*

**A. Official Ball.** The official game ball for Centennial Conference matches will be the official NCAA ball (Molten IV58L-N through 2021). *(Revised 6/3/98, 6/9/04, 5/31/06)*

**B. Length of Match.** All conference matches will be best three-of-five sets.

**C. Pre-Match Procedure.** Warm-Up time will be 4-4-5-5. The home team will supply balls to visiting Conference teams for use during warm-ups. *(Revised 6/2/99, 6/4/03)*

**D. Starting Times.** The start time for weekday matches should be 7 p.m. and weekend matches should be 1 p.m., unless mutually agreed to by the participating institutions. In the event of multiple matches, the Conference match should take place first. The home team should play the first and third matches, while the team traveling the furthest distance to the site should play the second and third match. The second match should begin 45 minutes after the completion of the first match. The starting times and sequence of play should be printed on the contract. *(Adopted 6/7/95, Revised 6/5/96, 6/5/02, 5/31/06)*

**E. Line Judges.** The home team must provide two certified line judges. For tri-matches, the host school is responsible for lines people and a scorer for all three matches. *(Revised 5/30/07)*

**F. Officials.** Officials, including two line judges, should be NCAA and/or PAVO certified and assigned by the local assignor. For tri-matches, the host school is responsible for line judges and a scorer for all three matches. For a Centennial match to be considered official, at least one certified official must be present at the match. Teams should wait a reasonable amount of time for late-arriving officials to reach the site. *(Adopted 6/5/96; Revised 5/31/06, 6/1/11)*

**G. Coordinator of Officials.** Dan Correnti will serve as the Coordinator of Officials for the 2016, 2017 and 2018 seasons.   
*(Adopted 5/30/16)*

**2016 2017 2018**

Referee $135 $135 $135

Line Judge $65 $65 $65

Scorer $65 $65 $65

Libero Tracker $55 $55 $55

Coordinator $170 $170 $170

\* travel fee for round trip mileage over 120 miles = $50

**G. Postponed Matches.** All postponed Conference matches will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play, a postponed Conference match will be rescheduled for the next available date and shall have priority over non-Conference matches.

**H. Cut-Off Date.** The cut-off date for the completion of Conference regular-season competition is 6 p.m. on the Sunday prior to the championship. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

**I. Videotaping.** A third party (i.e. anyone not associated with the two competing teams) may not videotape any Conference match without the permission of both coaches involved in the match. *(Adopted 6/7/95)*

**J. Scouting Reports.** Conference members shall not share scouting reports of Conference schools with non-conference schools. *(Adopted 6/9/04)*

K. Jewelry. Due to the potential for bodily injury, dismemberment, or even death, this policy regarding the wearing of jewelry, body piercing articles, and symbolic bracelets is recommended for all practices and games of Centennial Conference athletes. Tongue studs, spacers, or other objects are discouraged due to the potential for an obstructed airway or soft tissue damage. Protective mouthpieces are excluded from this policy. A player should not wear any jewelry, including earrings, chains, charms, watches, hair clips, bobby pins, tongue studs or items associated with piercing (visible or not visible), or bracelets. Exception: Medical alert bracelets or necklaces may be worn but should be taped to the body. Religious medals should be removed from chains and may be taped to the body or sewn under the uniform. *(Adopted 6/1/05)*

**L. Religious Holidays.** A Centennial Conference match scheduled on a religious holiday will be moved to another date if requested by an institution prior to a receipt of a signed contract. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**M. In-Match Statistics.**The host institution is required to notify the opposing team’s head coach 24 hours in advance, and on game day, if in-game stats will be done or not. *(Adopted 6/1/11)*

**N. Match Tape Exchange.** There is a mandatory video exchange between Centennial Conference members allowing for total access to all Conference video footage. Each Centennial school is required to share all Conference games via the Centennial Conference Open Exchange Video Library (i.e. Krossover, Hudl, Synergy, etc.). Centennial coaches will use the video exchange system that is agreed upon by the Centennial Volleyball Coaches Committee. Coaches agree to the following video guidelines and upload times:   
*(Adopted 5/28/14; Revised 5/27/15, 5/30/18)*

* Teams are responsible for making all matches available within 24 hours of the conclusion of the matches, with the exception of matches played on Saturday. Matches played on Saturday are required to be added to the league pool by Monday by 1 p.m.
* Teams are responsible for posting all matches played in the regular season and post-season to the League Pool.
* Audio is not required at this time.
* If the home institution is unable to upload film, it is responsible for notifying the Conference about an alternative   
  film exchange.
* For all filming of Conference matches, teams should attempt to film from an elevated end line point of view.
* Game film of Centennial matches shall not be made available to institutions outside of the Conference.

Additionally, there will be no exchange with out-of-conference opponents. This includes film exchange, verbal and written scouting reports, etc., with the exclusion of mandatory NCAA tape exchange policies.

Section VI - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** At the conclusion of the regular season, the conference coaches will select an All-Conference team. The team will comprise seven (7) players with at least one setter, but not more than two, and a libero. The coaches will select Player of the Year. *(Revised 6/1/05)*

**1. Nominations.** Each coach of a participating Conference school should submit nominations of his/her athletes to be considered for All-Centennial status by the Tuesday after the conclusion of the regular season. No Conference-wide limit is made to the number of nominations that can be made for All-Conference consideration, although nominees should be starters or key reserves. Some sport committees may establish maximums for the number of nominees. Only one player may be nominated for Player of the Year status. *(Revised 11/28/07)*

**2. Voting Procedure.** After the conclusion of the championship tournament, voting for All-Centennial teams should be concluded. This procedure will be in effect through the 2012 season. Coaches should vote for 1st and 2nd team selections, and a Player of the Year. **No coach can vote for his/her own player!** The completed ballot should be returned to the Director of Sports Information and sent via email or FAX to the Conference Office. *(Revised 11/29/07)*

**3. Determination of All-Conference Team.** Two (2) points will be awarded for a 1st team vote and one (1) point for a 2nd team vote. Players with the most points shall be accorded 1st team All-Centennial status. Ties will be broken in favor of the candidate with the highest number of 1st team votes. If the tie is still not broken, additional players may be added to the All-Star team. Any athlete receiving four (4) points will be assured of at least honorable mention status.

**4. Determination of Player of the Year.** For Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**5. Determination of Coach of the Year.** For Coach of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Once again, coaches may not vote for themselves.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

**6. Determination of Rookie of the Year.** For Rookie of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. A rookie is defined as a student-athlete in his first year of collegiate competition. **Once again, coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named. *(Adopted 5/30/12)*

**B. Weekly Honors.** The Conference Office, in cooperation with the Sports Information Directors committee, will recognize a Player of the Week for individual performances during a selected period.

**C. Academic Honor Roll.** To be nominated/selected for the Academic Honor Roll, a student-athlete must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a sophomore or higher in class standing.

2. Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.40 or higher (or its equivalent as determined by the institution) based   
 on a 4.0 scale. The GPA must be at least 3.40, not 3.39 and rounded to the nearest tenth of a point. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

**D. All-Sportsmanship Team.** All institutions will elect one member from their team who displays good sportsmanship throughout the season to be a member of the All-Centennial sportsmanship team. These individuals will be selected by the team and head coach and submitted to the Conference Office as part of the All-Conference nomination process. Only one student from each team may be selected. All institutions will have one representative on the All-CC sportsmanship team with the final decision made by each institution's head coach. *(Adopted 5/30/07)*

**E. Championship Tournament MVP.** The Conference will select a most valuable player (MVP) of the championship tournament. The Conference Office will determine the process for selection. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

**F. Scholar-Athlete Award.** The Conference will present a Scholar-Athlete Award for each of the Conference’s 24 championship sports.   
The candidates for this award should meet the following criteria:

1. Must be a junior or senior;

2. Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.40 or higher:

3. Must have been selected to the All-Conference team for that season.

The student with the highest cumulative grade point average who meets the criteria will be selected as the recipient. Ties will not be broken. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VII - Calendar

**First Contest:** Friday, August 31

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Saturday, October 27

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Wednesday, October 31

**Conference Tournament:** Wednesday-Saturday-Sunday, October 31, November 3-4

**Committee Meeting:** Tuesday, November 13

**NCAA Championship Date Calculation Formula**: Finals will be held on the weekend before Thanksgiving (Friday-Sunday). Regionals will be held one week prior to finals (Friday-Sunday).

**Future NCAA Championships**

2018 – November 15-17 – A.J. Palumbo Center, Pittsburgh, Pa. (Saint Vincent, host)

2019 – November 21-23 – U.S. Cellular Center, Cedar Rapids, Iowa (American Rivers Conference, host)

2020 – November 19-21 – Capital Center Performance Arena, Columbus, Ohio (Capital, host)

2021 – November 18-20 – Francis Fieldhouse, St. Louis, Mo. (Washington U., host)

Wrestling

Section I - Championship Eligibility

The following schools compete for the conference championship in wrestling: Gettysburg, Johns Hopkins, Merchant Marine, McDaniel, Muhlenberg, Stevens, Ursinus, and Washington and Lee.

Section II - Wrestling Committee

*Liaison to Delegates:* Lynn Tubman, Muhlenberg

*Committee Chair:* TBA (term expires 9-2021)

Section III - Playing Season Regulations

*All NCAA rules apply unless amended below*

**A. Length of Playing Season.** The length of an institution's playing season in wrestling shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks. *(Adopted 1/12/04)*

**B. Traditional Segment.**

**1. Preseason Practice.** A member institution shall not commence practice sessions before October 10. *(Revised 6/4/03, 4/11/11)*

**2. First Date of Competition.** An institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (match or scrimmage) with outside competition before November 1. *(Revised 6/4/03, 6/1/16)*

**3. Maximum Limitations.** An institution shall limit its playing schedule with outside competition in any one year to 16 dates of competition, which may include not more than two two-day meets that shall count as a single date of competition each, except for those contests excluded in the *NCAA Manual*.

Section IV - Rules Governing Championship

**A. Determining the Conference Champion.** The Conference champion will be determined at a championship tournament.

**B. Eligibility for Championship.** To be eligible for the championship, Conference schools must have met all other Conference schools in round-robin competition. Schools that do not meet this requirement due to severe weather conditions can request a waiver from the Conference Office.

**C. Suspension of Championship.** The liaison for the committee should be "on call" in the event that an unforeseen emergency causes the suspension of the championship. The liaison will serve as the administrative component in the decision-making process along with the administrators on the games committee. *(Adopted 5/31/06)*

Section V - Regulations Governing Competition

*All NCAA Rules shall apply unless amended below.*

**A. Pre-Match Screening.** A preliminary skin infection screening shall be conducted at each team's home site when they weigh-in. This inspection must be done by the team's head trainer or team physician, and a signer statement certifying the absence of infectious skin diseases must be presented to the opposing coaches and referees at the site of competition before the start of the meet. Any wrestler who is not listed on that certification shall not be permitted to wrestle unless cleared by the professional trainer or team physician at the site of the competition. The Conference will follow NCAA guidelines for infectious skin diseases. *(Adopted 6/7/95)*

**B. Tournament Schedule.** The recommended schedule of events for the championship tournament is as follows: *(Adopted 6/3/98; Revised 6/6/01, 5/31/06, 2/22/08)*

1. Registration, Friday, 6 p.m.

2. Coaches Meeting and Seeding, immediately following registration

3. Skin Check, Weigh-In, Saturday, 8 a.m.

4. Quarterfinals, 10 a.m.

5. Semifinals and Consolations

6. Consolation Finals

7. Championship Bouts

**C. Officials.** Six officials will be hired in accordance with the NCAA Guidelines. The pool of NCAA registered officials can be located on the NCAA website (Division III wrestling). The computer operator should be paid at the same rate as the officials.   
*(Adopted 6/3/98, Revised 6/4/03, 6/9/04, 5/30/18)*

**D. Sites and Dates for Championships.** The date for the championship is two weeks prior to the NCAA regional. The championship sites are as follows: *(Adopted 5/28/14; Revised 5/27/15)*

* 2019-Merchant Marine
* 2020-Muhlenberg
* 2021-Gettysburg
* 2022-Johns Hopkins
* 2023-Ursinus
* 2024-McDaniel
* 2025-Washington and Lee

**E. Workout Facility / Scales.** The host institution must provide a workout facility on Friday evening prior to the championship and have one of the official scales available for athletes to check weight. *(Adopted 5/31/06)*

**F. Mats.** The minimum number of mats needed to host the Conference championship is three. *(Adopted 5/28/08)*

**Section VI - Regular-Season Competition**

**A. Match Starting Times.** All Conference weekend matches must start no earlier than 12 p.m. and no later than 6 p.m. unless mutually agreed upon by administrators. *(Adopted 6/6/01; Revised 5/31/06, 5/28/14)*

**B. Postponed Matches.** All postponed Conference matches will be rescheduled upon mutual agreement by the coaches or administrators. In the final week of regularly scheduled Conference play, a postponed Conference match will be rescheduled for the next available date and shall have priority over non-Conference matches.

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**E. Tri-Match Format.** The team traveling the farthest shall compete in rounds one and two. If the host invites a non-conference opponent as part of a quad-meet, the host school is required to compete against the non-conference opponent first. Visiting teams must be notified of the non-conference opponent in advance. *(Adopted 5/29/13)*

Section VII - Awards

**A. All-Conference Team.** The winner of each weight class will be named All-Conference. The coaches will select a Wrestler of the Year prior to the championship tournament, based on his regular-season performance. *(Revised 6/1/05)*

**1. Determination of Wrestler of the Year.** For Player of the Year honors, coaches should vote for 1st, 2nd and 3rd with five points for a 1st place vote, three for a 2nd place vote, and one for a 3rd place vote. **Coaches cannot vote for his/her own player.**  Ties will not be broken and co-winners will be named.

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Section VIII - Championship Tournament

**A. Entry Fees**. To defray the expense of operating the Conference wrestling championship, a $200 entry fee will be assessed each team.   
*(Revised 5/29/13)*

**B. Budget.** The host institution should pay for all expenses and submit a Championship Expense Report Form to the Conference Office for reimbursement. If expenses are entirely covered through ticket sales and extra revenue remains, it will be returned to the Conference Office to offset deficits from other championships. If expenses are not covered by the fees, the Conference Office will absorb the deficit, provided the host institution kept expenses within the budget guidelines.

Section IX - Calendar

**First Practice:** Wednesday, October 10

**First Contest:** Thursday, November 1

**All-CC Nominations Due:** Monday, February 4

**All-CC Ballot Due:** Thursday, February 7

**Committee Meeting:** Friday, February 8

**NCAA Date Formula:** Regionals: two weeks prior to finals. Finals: second full weekend in March (Thursday-Saturday).

**Future Centennial Conference Championships**

2019 – February 9 – U.S. Merchant Marine

2020 – February 15 - Muhlenberg

**Future NCAA Regionals**

2019 – February 22-24 – TBA

**Future NCAA Championships**

2019 – March 8-9 – Berglund Center, Roanoke, Va. (Ferrum, host)

2020 – March 13-14 – U.S. Cellular Center, Cedar Rapids, Iowa (American Rivers Conference, host)

2021 – March 12-13 – La Crosse Center, La Crosse, Wis. (UW-La Crosse, host)

2022 – March 11-12 – U.S. Cellular Center, Cedar Rapids, Iowa (American Rivers Conference, host)

Student-Athlete

Advisory Committee

I. Mission Statement. As part of our mission statement to faculty and administration, we choose:

A. To recognize that athletics help to develop a well-rounded student, not only by providing discipline and time management skills, but also by allowing the athlete to set and achieve individual and team goals. Our athletic participation enhances our collegiate experience.

B. To facilitate open communication between the athletic and academic communities to discuss issues regarding the aforementioned goals.

C. To have an active role in each decision-making process involving our wellbeing as student-athletes.

**II. Composition.** The Centennial Conference Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) shall be composed of at least 22 student-athletes in good academic standing from member institutions. Each institution is entitled to have at least two representatives with the following stipulations - representatives must be either sophomores, junior or seniors; representatives should be one male and one female (two of one gender permitted from single-sex institution); one of the representatives shall be the chair of the institution's student-athlete advisory committee. *(Revised 6/3/98)*

III. Role of the Committee. The role of the SAAC is to give the student-athlete a voice in the policy-making process of the Centennial Conference.

IV. Meetings. The SAAC shall meet two times during the academic year - once in the fall, and once in the spring. Meeting sites, times and dates will be selected by the Conference Office. *(Revised 6/3/98)*

V. Functions. The SAAC will serve as the liaison between the student-athletes of the Centennial Conference and the Administrative Delegates. The SAAC will be the "voice" to share concerns and to discuss other issues impacting the welfare of the student-athlete. The SAAC shall receive information on and explanations of Conference activities and legislation, and shall review and react to topics referred to it by Conference committees and by the Delegates.

VI. Officers. The chair and vice-chair of the SAAC shall be elected by the committee. The chair must be a member of the senior class at her/his institution and must be in good academic standing. The vice-chair must be either a sophomore or a junior at his/her institution and must also be in good academic standing. *(Revised 6/3/98)*

VI. Duties of the Officers. The Chair will chair the meetings of the SAAC and will be invited along with the Vice-Chair to attend the Administrative Delegates meetings in the fall, winter and spring. The Chair will be "voice without vote" at the Delegates meeting. The Vice-Chair will assist the Chair in running the meeting and will assume the duties of the Chair in case of her/his absence from the meeting. *(Revised 6/3/98)*

VII. Voting Procedures. Each institution's delegation has one vote at the SAAC meeting. To endorse or oppose a motion, a two-thirds affirmative vote of the institutions present is required. An abstention is a neutral vote, then requiring a two-thirds affirmative vote of the remaining institutions.

VIII. Advisor. The Associate Executive Director will serve as the SAAC advisor.

IX. Chairs. 1995-Nate Suter, Haverford; 1996-Annie Guzek, Dickinson; 1997-Gigi Koundinya, Johns Hopkins;   
1998-Rachael Wagaman, Gettysburg; 1999-Justin McCarthy, Washington College; 2000-Chiemi Suzuki, Bryn Mawr;   
2001-Nicole Evans, Gettysburg; 2002-Elena Guarinello, Haverford; 2003-Amanda Rogers, Bryn Mawr;   
2004-Catherine Salussolia, Swarthmore; 2005-Meghan Lockard, Gettysburg; 2006-David Poolman, Haverford;   
2007-Stephanie Wujcik, Bryn Mawr; 2008-Tony Margve, Johns Hopkins; 2009-Andrew Lolley, Muhlenberg;   
2010-Valerie Sauers, Franklin & Marshall; 2011-Nicole Morano, Franklin & Marshall and Sam Permutt, Haverford;   
2012-13-Steve Berardi, Ursinus; 2014-Rose Pitkin, Swarthmore; 2015-Dana Feigenbaum, Ursinus;   
2016-D.J. Bradshaw, Washington College; 2017-Polly Terzian, Dickinson; 2018-Skyler Ellenburg, Haverford; 2019-Tyler Schubert, Franklin & Marshall.

X. Meeting Dates. The annual meeting of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee will be in late-September or early-October.

Athletic Trainers

Section I - Athletic Trainers Committee

*Liaison to Delegates:* Joel Quattrone, Dickinson

*Committee Chair:* Curt Mauger, Haverford (term expires 9-2019)

Section II - Professional Courtesy (Host Athletic Trainer)

**A. Pre-Event.** The host institution will extend the following professional courtesies to the visiting institution and its team:

1. In-person greeting, and check on any travel related problems or special requests.

2. Provide adequate space and tables for taping. A minimum of 1-2 tables should be available for all visiting team use, for all sports. Also, provide two sideline tables for football games.

3. Supply ice for injury care and an adequate supply of water at least 30 minutes before a scheduled event. Water should be supplied for visiting locker rooms.

4. Provide a certified athletic trainer, and/or first aid trained personnel at all Conference athletic events. At all Conference varsity football games, the host institution will provide an on-site physician. Generally, during all Conference contests except golf, the host athletic training room should be open one hour prior and one-half hour post-activity with a certified athletic trainer available.

5. Provide an ambulance, the telephone number for emergency medical help, and means by which to call an ambulance for Conference athletic events. An ambulance should be at the field for all varsity football games.

6. It is recommended that each host institution have available as needed, splints, crutches, cervical collar, knee immobilizer, blanker, scoop or spine board stretcher, and an ambulance service for all events.

**B. During the event.** The host athletic trainer will accompany the event doctor onto the field or court when requested by the visiting athletic trainer. In the case of a serious injury, the host athletic trainer will coordinate any further emergency care.

**C. Post-event.**

1. The host athletic trainer will arrange for the event physician to remain in the training room for a brief period after the event to evaluate all injuries sustained during the event by both teams. The host athletic trainer will then personally check with the visiting team athletic trainer for any injuries or problems.

2. The host athletic trainer will obtain the following personal information in case of injury to any athlete who requires more than immediate first aid:

a. Athlete's Name

b. Home address and phone number

c. Personal physician

d. Type and severity of injury

e. Treatment and medication administered

f. Physician's recommendation

3. The host athletic trainer should contact the athletic trainer and/or the physician of the injured athlete regarding the evaluation.

Section III - Professional Courtesy (Visiting Athletic Trainer)

**A. Pre-event**

1. Teams requiring the assistance of the home athletic trainer should notify that institution's athletic trainer at least **two** working days in advance of the contest.

2. If for some reason you require some special medical care or equipment for any of your athletes, the visiting athletic trainer will call the host athletic trainer at least 24 hours in advance and inform him or her of the special needs.

3. Visiting teams are expected to supply their own taping supplies and medical kit.

**B. During the event.** The visiting athletic trainer will be responsible for requesting medical assistance from the host athletic trainer in case of serious injury to any athletes.

**C. Post-event.** The visiting athletic trainer will keep all injured athletes whom he or she believes should be seen by the event physician together after the event so that these medical evaluations can be made promptly and efficiently after the event (Especially in football and during championship events). *(Revised 12/11/06)*

Section IV - Physicians

A. The host institution will provide for an attending physician or emergency services person for all sessions of the Centennial Conference Wrestling Championships.

B. An attending physician's decision concerning an athlete's ability to participate cannot be overruled by a coach or athlete.

Section V - Centennial Championship Events

A. When the event is hosted by an institution, that institution's athletic trainer is responsible for coordinating all training and emergency services. The athletic trainer may personally cover the event, arrange for one of his/her staff members to cover the event, or arrange for coverage by the participating institutions.

B. The Conference is not liable for any injuries suffered by any athletes during any activities associated with an event, including, but not limited to, warm-ups, practices, competition, travel, etc.

C. The expectations of the host Athletic Training staff at a Conference championship will be determined during the pre-championship conference call.

**Section VI - Lightning**

The responsibility for the suspension of an intercollegiate athletic contest, due to the presence of lightning, is placed on the host certified athletic trainer in cooperation with the game administrator. This decision will follow the NCAA Sports Medicine Handbook (see pages 140-41) unless a more stringent policy is mutually agreed upon. *(Adopted 6/2/99; Revised 12/11/06)*

Section VI - Miscellaneous

A. The scope of the certification of the Athletic Trainer is that they can legally evaluate and treat injuries that occur within the intercollegiate athletic program.

B. The Conference recommends that all coaches be CPR trained. First Aid training should be highly recommended.

C. The NCAA-required physical should be administered before an athlete participates in activities necessary for the sport.

D. All NCAA Sports Medicine Handbook guidelines should be followed. *(Revised 6/4/03)*

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Sports Information Directors

Section I - Sports Information Committee

*Liaison to Delegates:* Kim Masimore, Dickinson

*Committee Chair:* TBA (term expires 9-2021)

Section II - General Minimum Standards

The press box / scorers table is a working area for professionals, and that cheering and excessive noise will not be tolerated.

**A. All Team Championship Sports (Baseball/Softball, Basketball, Field Hockey, Football, Soccer, Lacrosse, Tennis, Volleyball)**

**1. Pre-Game**

a. Make StatCrew roster file available to host in advance of competition either via Conference shared Dropbox folder, updated website download page and/or e-mail.

b. Have complete and up-to-date numerical roster available on the athletics website for use by other SIDs. A roster in Microsoft Word or Microsoft Excel should also be available upon request of host. All rosters must include number, name, position, class, height, hometown/high school. Weights should also be available for men’s sports and bats/throws on baseball and softball rosters. Preferred class designations are “Fr.”, “So.”, “Jr.”, “Sr.”.

c. Up-to-date results and statistics must be available online or be readily available upon request to the opposing SID.

d. Be prepared to share “tabstats” or CAP files upon request of host.

e. When time permits, check for records or milestone achievements that may occur during the game.

**2. In-Game**

a. The host SID is responsible for the collection of all statistics relative to that sport, as defined in NCAA Statistics Manuals.

b. In-Game Scoring using a statistical software program (i.e., StatCrew, PrestoSports) is the preferred method for the collection of required statistics.

c. Host SID, or designee, should obtain starting lineups from coaches prior to the start of the contest and confirm accurate pronunciations for public address and webcast, if applicable.

d. A minimum of live statistics should be provided when at all possible.

**3. Post-Game**

a. Ensure game file is complete and all wrap-up information is included.

b. Host SID must provide visiting SID with complete game file in a timely manner upon conclusion of the game.

c. Host SID is responsible for uploading statistics to PrestoSports upon conclusion of contest as well as transmitting game file to the NCAA for required national reporting.

d. Disputes over statistics should be resolved as soon as possible, preferably within 48 hours of the conclusion of the game in question. Both SIDs must agree to any changes before any change is made. If an agreement cannot be reached, the host SID has the final say as the host sports information office is considered the official scorer.

**B. Sport-Specific Information**

1. Baseball/Softball

a. The scorekeepers for the competing teams should confer with each other during the game when scoring decisions are in doubt. If no agreement can be reached, the decision of the home scorekeeper is final. Hits, errors, pass balls and wild pitches should not be changed after both teams have left the field. Missing substitutions, incorrectly calculated earned runs and changes to wins, losses and saves should be made as soon as they are discovered. *(Revised 5/9/07)*

b. Lineups shall be due to the official scorer no later than 15 minutes before the first pitch. The official scorer shall not share the lineup card with the other team’s head coach until the plate meeting. *(Adopted 5/26/10)*

**2. Basketball**

a. Live Stats are required for all conference games. Video webcasts are strongly encouraged.

b. Host SID is responsible for calling the wire services with results immediately following the game.

c. Both host and visiting SID should make a concerted effort to provide individual and team statistics to the media before the game. If the visiting SID does not travel with the team, the host SID should print the stats off the Web. *(Revised 5/9/07)*

**3. Field Hockey/Soccer**

a. Ensure the goalkeeper is listed accordingly as “GK” or “G” in the starting lineup of the statistical program.

**4. Football**

a. Provide a preseason prospectus no later than August 1 to all opponents and the Centennial Conference Office. Included items should be school quick facts, team quick facts, coaching information (including all assistant coaches, their alma mater and coaching responsibilities), previous season’s results (including dates and location of games) and current season schedule (including dates and location of games). Additional information added is at the discretion of the SID.

b. Numerical roster is mandatory. Alphabetical roster should be available if requested.

c. If available, ensure that phone lines are operational in the press box. Maintain a list of all phone numbers and have readily available for visiting media and SIDs.

e. Develop a sheet with web-specific instructions for visiting media and SIDs who may need web access during the game. This will include instructions for wireless use and any information necessary if the press box is hard-wired.

f. Email updated roster and two-deep to opponent SID the Friday prior to your previous game (8 days before the game). Two-deep should include (at a minimum) number, name and position for offense, defense and special teams. Home and visiting SID should do this. Send updated two-deep by Monday morning before the game in list form in Word format.

g. Ensure that opponent SIDs have access to updated statistics and individual game statistics if necessary after previous game.

h. Develop game program and flip card. The production of a flip card is optional if the game program includes a complete numerical roster and two-deep. Both should be available on game day in the press box.

i. If game notes are produced, they should be sent to the visiting SID and the media list that was shared prior to the season. It is essential that notes be sent to any radio or television crew broadcasting the game.

j. Host SID should develop a gameday checklist of items for the press box. At a minimum this should included the following: Game program, notes and flip cards (if produced), statistics manual, stat crew manual, laptop and portable printer (not necessary if there is easy access to printing services outside the press box), backup stat sheets, pencils, pens, scrap paper, call list for other scores of interest and binoculars. If available, snacks and beverages should be ordered. Apprise visiting SID if there are any special circumstances surrounding the game (Homecoming activities, senior day, etc.).

k. Establish seat assignments for all working personnel, media and visitors. Every attempt should be made to have the visiting SID seated near the stat crew to assist with spotting, although the visiting SID should be treated as a guest and not required to do anything. Remind all student assistants and visitors that there is to be no cheering in the press box.

l. Press box should be open and available to media and visiting SID no later than 90 minutes prior to kickoff. Host SID or a representative should be available in the press box no later than 60 minutes prior to kickoff.

m. Discuss any post-game interview procedures with the visiting SID and attending media prior to the game. It is not necessary to conduct a formal press conference, but if it is warranted then all procedures should be reviewed in advance.

n. Live Stats are required for all conference games. Video webcasts are strongly encouraged.

o. Halftime quickie stats should be distributed, at a minimum, to both teams and the visiting SID. Quarter stats are not necessary but are helpful to broadcast media and should be provided if possible.

p. Final score should be phoned in immediately after the game (from the press box) to AP. An AP-style story should be written by the host SID and distributed to the wire services, d3football.com and the CC office. A neutral story should be written for distribution to the above outlets. A write-through or additional story can be written for the host SID’s local media and web site if necessary.

q. Ensure that each team’s coaches received a minimum of six complete copies of the final statistics and play-by-play. An additional copy should be provided to the visiting SID and complete statistics should be distributed to all attending media.

r. Send game file to visiting SID for review and send the final file to the Centennial Conference office by the Sunday deadline. If changes are required, every effort should be made to have them completed by Monday morning. *(Revised 5/9/07)*

**5. Lacrosse**

a. Ensure the goalkeeper is listed accordingly as “GK” or “G” in the starting lineup of the statistical program.

b. It is recommended that each SID be very familiar with the statistical differences between men’s and women’s lacrosse and that special attention is given to using the correct gender settings for the software when entering statistics into TASLC.

d. The conference recommends sending game scores and stories to the following lacrosse-related media: *Inside Lacrosse*, *LaxPower*, and *Lacrosse Magazine*. *(Revised 5/9/07)*

**6. Tennis**

a. Obtain regional and national rankings for teams and individual players.

b. Tennis records and statistics should include both fall and spring competition.

c. Host SID is to make complete StatCrew file, inserting rankings, records and relevant notes (i.e. player retires, match called due to darkness, played to decision post-season play).

d. Make sure the tiebreaker score is added to the results. *(Revised 5/9/07)*

**7. Volleyball**

a. It is preferred that the host SID, or designee, compile statistics for both teams. When in-match scoring is done, the play-by-play must be correct and accurately reflect the box score and each individual set score. If compiling statistics through TAS in-match scoring is possible, the host SID’s stats are official.

b. When in-match scoring is not possible, the host SID will be responsible for gathering statistics from both teams and input upon conclusion of the match. If the game is entered manually, the match file must be sent to the opposing SID in a timely fashion after the conclusion of the match.

**C. Individual Championship Sports**

a. Have complete and up-to-date numerical roster available on the athletics website for use by other SIDs. A roster in Microsoft Word or Microsoft Excel should also be available upon request of host. All rosters must include number, name, position, class, height, hometown/high school. Weights should also be available for men’s sports. Preferred class designations are “Fr.”, “So.”, “Jr.”, “Sr.”.

b. Up-to-date results and statistics must be available online or be readily available upon request to the opposing SID.

c. When time permits, check for records or milestone achievements that may occur during the game.

**1. Cross Country/Track & Field**

1. Get complete results and HTML file through the meet director and send to all participating schools.

2. Post HTML on website in a timely fashion.*(Revised 5/9/07)*

**2. Golf**

a. Provide or make available on-line, alphabetical roster to host SID.

b. Acquire appropriate Golfstat software.

c. Prepare StatCrew Golf File.

a. Collect and enter hole-by-hole scores into Golfstat, double-checking for accuracy.

b. Transmit Golfstat file to Golfstat.

c. Enter scores into StatCrew.

d. Transmit StatCrew file to participating SIDs.

e. Provide score, highlights and other pertinent information to media outlets and CC office.

**3. Swimming**

1. Following conclusion of dual meet, disperse Meet Manager html results to opposing SID, noting any Centennial records broken to opponent and Conference office. *(Revised 5/9/07)*

**4. Wrestling**

a. A proper scorebook should be kept at table and checked against when compiling agate post-competition.

b. Provide agate to opposing SID as soon as possible (Do not write your story first).

c. Roster should include weight classes.

Section III - Conference Reporting and Statistics

A. Statistical Reporting. It is the host institution responsibility to ensure that all game results are entered into PrestoSports, at minimum immediately following the game. The host is also responsible for ensuring complete statistics are uploaded for each contest in which PrestoSports allows for that capability.

**1. Football.** The Automated Scorebook for Football (Stat Crew Software) will be the official software for Centennial Conference football statistical compilation. TASFB should used in-game by the home team to submit stats to the Conference office for all games. It is the responsibility of the host institution to email the packed game files to its opponent immediately following the conclusion of the game. The Conference Office will tabulate statistics and list Conference and overall leaders on a weekly basis. Official statistical forms can be obtained from the NCAA website (www.ncaa.org). *(Revised 6/6/01****,*** *5/9/07)*

**2. Basketball.** The Stat Crew System for Basketball (Stat Crew Software) will be the official software for Centennial Conference basketball statistical compilation. Stat Crew should be used in-game by the home team to submit stats to the Conference office for all games. It is the responsibility of the host institution to email the packed game files to its opponent immediately following the conclusion of the game. Official box score forms can be obtained from the NCAA website (www.ncaa.org). *(Revised 6/6/01****,*** *5/9/07)*

**3. Baseball / Softball.** The Stat Crew System for Baseball/Softball (Stat Crew Software) will be the official software for Centennial Conference statistical compilation. It is the responsibility of the host institution to email the packed game files to its opponent immediately following the conclusion of the game. Official box score forms can be obtained from the NCAA website (www.ncaa.org). *(Revised 6/5/02****,*** *5/9/07)*

**4. Swimming.** Meet Manager will be the official software for Centennial Conference statistical compilation.  *(Revised 6/5/02****,*** *5/9/07)*

**5. Field Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer.** The Stat Crew System (The Automated Scorebook) will be the official software for Centennial Conference statistical compilation. It is the responsibility of the host institution to email the packed game files to its opponent immediately following the conclusion of the game. Official box score forms can be obtained from the NCAA website (www.ncaa.org). *(Adopted 6/9/04; Revised 6/1/05****,*** *5/9/07)*

**6. Volleyball.** The Stat Crew System (The Automated Scorebook) will be the official software for Centennial Conference statistical compilation. Stat Crew should be used either in-game or post-game by the home team to submit stats. It is the responsibility of the host institution to email the packed game files to its opponent immediately following the conclusion of the game. Official box score forms can be obtained from the NCAA website (www.ncaa.org). *(Revised 5/9/07)*

**7. Tennis / Golf.** The Stat Crew System (The Automated Scorebook) will be the official software for Centennial Conference statistical compilation. Stat Crew should be used either in-game or post-game by the home team to submit stats to the Conference office for all games. *(Revised 5/9/07)*

**8. All Other Sports.** Standings will be updated daily. The Conference Office strongly encourages the use of Stat Crew statistical software for statistical compilation in other sports. *(Revised 5/9/07)*

**B. Weekly Reporting.** The Conference Office will select athletes for Player of the Week honors in all championship sports. The nominations are due by 9 a.m. on Sunday for football and noon on Monday (or a specific time designated by the conference office) for all other sports. SID’s can nominate a Defensive Player of the Week for field hockey, football, lacrosse and soccer; Special Teams Player of the Week for football and Pitcher of the Week for baseball and softball. All nominations will be submitted through the PrestoSports online awards portal on the Centennial Conference website. *(Revised 5/9/07****,*** *5/28/08)*

Section IV - General Policies for Statistics

**A. Substantiation of Statistics.** Filing a statistics report does not ensure automatically a member institution's inclusion in the Conference statistical rankings. The report shall be mathematically accurate. Unusual statistics that cannot be promptly supported will not be included in the rankings. Refusal to comply with the Conference's official statistical software policies could lead to a school being left off the Conference's official statistical report. *(Revised 6/6/01)*

**B. Countable Opponents.**

For games to be considered countable for statistics (including rankings and records), the following must be true:

* The institution must be a four-year, degree-granting institution and must compete as a four-year, degree-granting institution.
* The opponent must be considered a varsity intercollegiate team as defined by NCAA bylaw 17 and must be considered countable competition as defined by NCAA bylaws 31.3.3.1 (Divisions I and II) and 31.3.4.1.1 (Division III).
* The institution must satisfy one of the following:

−  Is an active, provisional or reclassifying member of the NCAA;

−  Is accredited by one of the six regional accrediting bodies in the United States;

−  Middle States Commission on Higher Education

−  New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Commission on Institutions of Higher Education

−  North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, The Higher Learning Commission

−  Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities

−  Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Commission on Colleges

−  Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Senior College and University Commission

−  If the institution is located in Canada, it must satisfy one of the following:

−  Is a member of the Universities Canada;

−  Is a member of the Canadian Collegiate Athletic Association; or

−  Is a member of U Sports.

−  Is an active or associate member of the NAIA; or

−  Is an active or provisional member of the National Christian College Athletic Association. *Revised (7/31/18)*

**C. Baseball/Softball Statistics.** For purposes of national and conference statistics, games played during the fall shall not be included in a team's won-lost record and statistics. Prior to a "Southern Tour" game, both teams involved shall decide whether the game is to be counted for purposes of won-lost records and team and individual statistics. A game shall be counted or not counted by both teams, not only by one team.

**D. Football Statistics.** Statistics of extra-period (overtime) games are included in the contest's total statistics. A play-by-play account of the extra-period game shall be forwarded to the conference office for reference purposes in the event that a record or statistics championship is determined to have been the result of the extra period. Effective with the 2004 football season, all individual defensive statistics reported to the Conference office and the NCAA must be compiled by the press box statistics crew during the game. Defensive numbers compiled by the coaching staff or other university/college personnel using game film will not be considered “official” NCAA statistics. *(Revised 5/9/07)*

E. Forfeits and "No Contests". There is no forfeit of a contest until the referee or other appropriate contest official has assumed jurisdiction of the contest in accordance with the applicable playing rules. When a team does not appear (e.g., due to weather conditions, accidents, breakdown of vehicles, illness or catastrophic causes) a forfeit is not recorded. An institution shall not, for statistical purposes, declare a forfeit for non-fulfillment of a contract. Such instances shall be considered as "no contest."  
  
If a forfeit is declared by the game official while a contest is in progress or a situation occurs that forces a premature end to the contest, all statistics (other than won-lost and coach’s records) are voided unless the contest has progressed to a “reasonable point of conclusion” (see the chart below), in which case all statistics shall count and shall be reflected in all records. If the game had progressed to a “reasonable point of conclusion” and the team that was in the lead at the time was declared the forfeit winner, the score shall stand. If the score was tied or the trailing team was declared the forfeit winner, then refer to the chart below for the final recorded score. Also in these cases, in sports where individuals receive wins or losses such as baseball, softball, field hockey, ice hockey and lacrosse, do not credit an individual with a win or loss, but rather enter a team line for these statistics.

If a game in progress is declared a forfeit win to one of the teams by the game officials and the game has not progressed to a “reasonable point of conclusion”, then the official game score should be recorded from the following chart. The team’s won-lost record shall include the forfeit, but if the statistics are voided, all averages in future rankings shall be computed without inclusion of the forfeited contests.

Forfeit scores:

Baseball 9-0; Basketball 2-0; Field Hockey 5-0; Football 1-0; Golf Withdraw; Lacrosse 1-0; Soccer 1-0; Softball 7-0;   
Swimming 11-0; Tennis Withdraw; Volleyball 3-0; Wrestling 60-0

Reasonable point of conclusion:

Baseball 5 innings; Basketball 30 minutes; Field Hockey 48 minutes; Football 3 quarters

Men's Lacrosse 3 quarters; Women's Lacrosse 45 minutes; Soccer 70 minutes; Softball 5 innings

For volleyball, all completed sets in a match shall count. The reasonable point of conclusion for the sports of golf, swimming, tennis, and wrestling will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

F. Postseason Records and Statistics. Postseason games including conference and/or NCAA tournaments, or bowl (ECAC) games in football, shall be included in the official records and statistics for all sports. *(Revised 5/9/07)*

**G. Changing Official Statistics.** When an error or discrepancy in the official statistics is discovered after a contest has concluded and the official statistics have been distributed, use the following procedure.

1. If the sports information director of the home team discovers the error, that SID must alert the visiting team SID of the change within 48 hours. The home SID also must confirm the changes with the visiting SID and must send a copy of the changes to the conference office.

2. If the visiting SID needs to make a change in the final statistics, he or she must call the home team’s SID within 48 hours after the event. If the home team SID agrees, then the *home* *team SID* must confirm the changes to the visiting SID and send a copy to the conference office, if applicable.

3. If the home team SID disagrees with the change, then the visiting SID must accept the final statistics as listed by the home team. *The visiting team SID cannot alter any statistics without the consent of the home team SID.* There is no further appeal. However, if the game was televised and/or videotaped, and the dispute involves ***a non-judgmental call***, the box score should be corrected if there is indisputable visual evidence. Example: An official scorer in basketball credited the wrong player with a free throw made and the videotape clearly shows a different player shooting, then the correct player should be credited with the free throw made and attempted. If the dispute is whether there was an assist on a certain play, this is a judgment call and the official box score should stand as is. Another example: In soccer, a player was given credit for a goal scored but videotape shows clear visual evidence that another player actually scored the goal, then the official box score should be changed to reflect the correction.

4. In all cases in all sports, if a change is to be made, the SID making the change must inform the other SID within 48 hours after the event or game has been played. *(Revised 5/9/07)*

**H. Attendance Figures.** Attendance figures for official box scores and/or NCAA reports can be calculated by turnstile count, tickets sold or estimates. **Schools should make every effort to record an attendance figure on each statistical box score it produces. For baseball and softball doubleheaders, please use one attendance figure (the higher of the two games) and count it as one date or session.** For doubleheaders involving the men’s and women’s teams, the attendance figure should be taken by halftime of the first game for it to count on that team’s season home attendance. If no figure is taken for the first game, do not count the game in that team’s season home attendance.

I. Exhibition Games. A contest must be counted by both teams as an official contest for purposes of won-lost records and team and individual statistics unless both institutions agree in writing before the game that it is to be an exhibition contest. If it is an exhibition contest, the win or loss and team and individual statistics should not be counted.

Section V - Hosting Conference Championships

**A. Organization**

1. There is no more important person in the organizational stage of the event that the host Director of Sports Information. Only the SID can best utilize the support potential of the newspapers, radio and television outlets.

2. Planning must be done several months in advance for individual championships (cross country, track, wrestling, etc.) and as soon as possible for team championships determined at the end of the regular season.

3. Host schools with limited support staffs should begin early and determine staff needs and responsibilities. The planners should make sure that sufficient staff is hired.

4. Prepare a checklist of details and personnel required for effective and smooth operation of the championship.

**B. Communications**

1. Under the direction of the SID, it is suggested that a brochure or information sheet be prepared and mailed out well in advance (approximately six weeks prior) to all eligible institutions and administrators (AD, SWA, head coach, SID).

2. Inform SIDs and Conference Office of procedures for distributing results.

**C. Press Facilities and Service**

1. Adequate space and accommodations are needed for writers, radio, television and photographers (still and movie).

2. Provide ample telephone and electrical outlets.

3. Set up a press room/area (away from the general flow of the public) for easy dissemination of information, plus food and beverages, before, during and after the game.

4. Live statistics are required for all championship events in which they can be reasonably provided. It is strongly encouraged that the host institution provide a video webstream of all championship contests on its campus. Neutral commentary should be provided when possible.

5. The host SID is responsible for the selection of a Most Outstanding Performer at the championship in all sports in which a tournament is contested (field hockey, soccer, volleyball, basketball, baseball, softball, lacrosse, tennis).

**D. Official Results**

1. At the conclusion of the championship, send one clean, detailed report to the Executive Director. Send two copies of all reports to each participating institution (head coach, SID).

2. If photographs were taken during the championships, inform each competing school of this service and the procedure for purchasing extra copies.

3. Send results to specialized magazines such as "Wrestling News," "Swimming World," "Golf World" and the like.

4. Provide complete results to all major media, including wire services and local daily newspapers. This is a crucial service and should be given the highest priority. *(Revised 5/27/15)*

Equipment Managers

Section I - Equipment Managers Committee

*Liaison to Delegates:* Kim Lessard, Washington College

*Committee Chair:* Kelly Jones, Gettysburg

Section II- Professional Courtesy

A. Football

1. Pre-Event (Host School)

Visiting School is responsible for a courtesy call to opposing school (before Wednesday) of game week to plan for   
upcoming game.

a. Discuss travel plans, logistics, and times.

b. Special requests, i.e. post-game receptions, team meals etc.

c. Verify uniform colors, changes

2. Host School is responsible for providing the following services:

a. Meet and greet visiting team and staff

b. Direct team and staff to locker room area; provide keys, if necessary.

c. Discuss any pre-arranged or special requests.

d. For football, assist transporting visitor equipment to game field. When possible, visiting school should allow visiting equipment manager the use of their transportation (ie. golf cart, Gator, truck, etc).

e. Host school will provide and set up a kicking net for the visiting team.

3. During the event

Be available for situations that may arise, i.e., broken equipment, field phones go down, etc.

4. Post-game

a. Ensure set-ups for receptions, post-game meals, etc.

b. Visiting team is responsible for returning keys to host equipment   
manager, if necessary.

c. Assist equipment transport ASAP from field to locker room/bus.

B. Other Events

1. Regular-Season Game procedures

a. Host school will meet and greet visiting team and staff.

b. Host school will provide locker rooms for all visiting teams. Host schools will provide keys and direct teams to locker rooms. Visiting teams are responsible for returning keys after the event.

c. In the event that locker rooms are not available for a given event, it is the responsibility of the host school to communicate with the visiting team so that they are prepared in advance.

d. Special requests, i.e., extra table & chairs, post-game reception area, food deliveries, chalk/boards.

2. Tournaments/Conference Championships

It is the visiting team's responsibility to contact the host school at least one week in advance (phone/e-mail) to discuss the following:

a. discuss tournament timetable, special requests.

i. facilities availability/practice times

ii. arrange for washing of uniforms/ practice gear.

iii. needs for pre/post-game receptions or meetings

iv. requests for tables, chairs, practice equipment (balls, pads, protective equipment)

b. Game day procedures as above.

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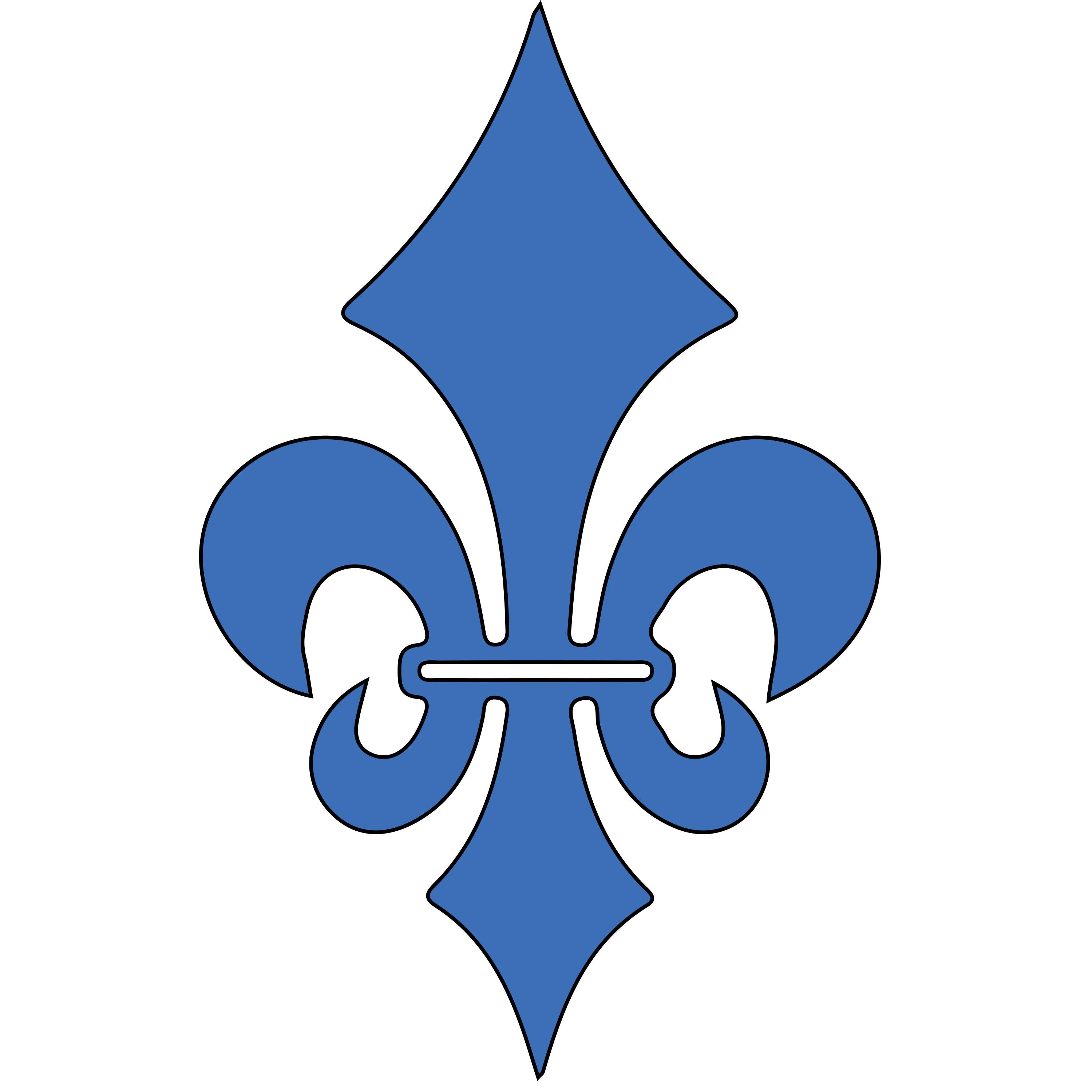
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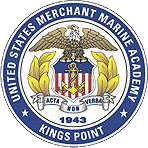
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Appendix A

2018-19 Academic Calendars

**Fall 2018 Class Homecoming Family Fall Last Day Reading Final**

**Begins Weekend Break of Class Days Exams**

**Bryn Mawr** SEP 4 SEP 29 NOV 3-5 OCT 13-21 DEC 13 DEC 14-15 DEC 16-21

**Dickinson** SEP 3 SEP 21-23 SEP 21-23 OCT 19-23 DEC 14 DEC 15-16 DEC 17-22

**Franklin & Marshall** AUG 29 OCT 26-28 OCT 26-28 OCT 6-9 DEC 7 DEC 8-11 DEC 12-16

**Gettysburg** AUG 27 SEP 21-23 OCT 19-21 OCT 6-9 DEC 7 DEC 8 DEC 9-15

**Haverford** SEP 4 OCT 26-28 OCT 13-21 DEC 14 DEC 15-16 DEC 17-21

**Johns Hopkins** AUG 30 OCT 5-7 OCT 19-21 DEC 7 DEC 8-11 DEC 12-21

**McDaniel** AUG 27 OCT 5-7 OCT 5-7 OCT 13-16 DEC 7 DEC 8-9 DEC 10-14

**Muhlenberg** AUG 27 SEP 21-23 NOV 2-4 OCT 6-8 DEC 7 DEC 8-9 DEC 10-14

**Swarthmore** SEP 3 OCT 26-28 OCT 26-28 OCT 13-21 DEC 11 DEC 12-13 DEC 14-22

**Ursinus** AUG 28 SEP 21-23 SEP 21-23 OCT 13-16 DEC 8 DEC 9-10 DEC 11-16

**Washington College** AUG 27 SEP 28-30 OCT 11-14 DEC 7 DEC 8-9 DEC 10-14

**Juniata** (associate) AUG 23 SEP 28-30 SEP 28-30 OCT 11-14

**Moravian** (associate) AUG 27 OCT 20 SEP 15 OCT 13-16

**Susquehanna** (associate) AUG 27 OCT 5-7 OCT 26-27 OCT 13-16

Labor Day: Monday, September 3

Rosh Hashanah: Sunday, October 9 (sundown) to Tuesday, October 11 (sundown)

Yom Kippur: begins Tuesday, October 18 (sundown)

Daylight Savings Time Ends: Sunday, November 4

Thanksgiving: Thursday, November 22

**Spring 2019 Class Spring Last Day Reading Final**

**Begins Break of Class Days Exams Commencement**

**Bryn Mawr** JAN 22 MAR 9-17 MAY 4 MAY 5-6 MAY 7-18 MAY 19

**Dickinson** JAN 21 MAR 9-17 MAY 4 MAY 4-5, 8, 11-12 MAY 6-14 MAY 19

**Franklin & Marshall** JAN 15 MAR 9-17 APR 25 APR 26-29 APR 30, MAY 1-4 MAY 11

**Gettysburg** JAN 21 MAR 9-17 MAY 3 MAY 4, 8 MAY 5-11 MAY 19

**Haverford** JAN 22 MAR 9-17 MAY 3 MAY 4-7 MAY 8-17 MAY 18

**Johns Hopkins** JAN 28 MAR 16-24 MAY 3 MAY 4-7 MAY 8-16 MAY 23

**McDaniel** JAN 28 MAR 16-24 MAY 10 MAY 11-12 MAY 13-17 MAY 25

**Muhlenberg** JAN 14 MAR 2-10 MAY 2 MAY 4-5 MAY 6-10 MAY 19

**Swarthmore** JAN 22 MAR 9-17 MAY 3 MAY 4-8 MAY 9-16 MAY 26

**Ursinus** JAN 17 MAR 2-10 MAY 2 MAY 3, 6 MAY 4-10 MAY 13

**Washington College** JAN 21 MAR 9-17 MAY 3 MAY 4-5 MAY 6-10 MAY 18

Martin Luther King Day: Monday, January 21

Presidents Day: Monday, February 18

Daylight Savings Time Begins: Sunday, March 10

Passover: Friday, April 19 (sundown) to Saturday, April 27 (sundown)

Good Friday: Friday, April 19

Easter: Sunday, April 21

Appendix B

2018-19 Conference Calendar

# Presidents Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 28 Gettysburg College, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, May 29 Gettysburg College, 9 a.m.

# Administrative Delegates Meetings

Thursday, September 27 Franklin & Marshall, 9:30

Thursday, December 13 Franklin & Marshall, 9:30

Friday, January 25 Orlando, Fla. (NCAA Convention), 12:30

Thursday, March 14 Franklin & Marshall, 9:30

Mon-Tues., May 20-21 Swarthmore, 12 p.m. / 9 a.m.

# Board of Delegates Meetings

Tuesday, December 4 Franklin & Marshall College, 9:30

Thursday, March 7 Franklin & Marshall College, 9:30

Tuesday, May 14 Franklin & Marshall College, 9:30

# Day-by-Day Schedule

# September

Monday 3 Labor Day

Sunday 9 Rosh Hashanah begins at sundown

Tuesday 18 Yom Kippur begins at sundown

Sunday 23 Start of Swimming Practice

Thursday 27 Administrative Delegates, Franklin & Marshall, 9:30

Sunday 30 SAAC, Franklin & Marshall, 12 p.m.

# October

Wednesday 10 Start of Wrestling Practice

Monday 15 Start of Basketball Practice

Saturday 27 Cross Country championship, Gettysburg, 11:00

Wednesday 31 Fall playoffs begin

# November

Sunday 4 Daylight Savings Time ends

Sat-Sun 3-4 Field Hockey / Soccer / Volleyball playoffs

Thu-Sat. 1-3 FARA National Meeting, Baltimore, Md.

Tues-Wed 13-14 Fall committee meetings, 9:30

Saturday 17 Centennial-MAC Bowl Series

Monday 19 Football committee, Franklin & Marshall, 9:30

Thursday 22 Thanksgiving

Monday 26 Cross Country committee, Franklin & Marshall, 10:00

# December

Tuesday 4 Board of Delegates, 9:30

Fri-Sun 7-9 Snell-Shillingford Symposium

Monday 10 Athletic Trainers, Franklin & Marshall, 10:00

Athletic Communications, Franklin & Marshall, 10:00

Thursday 13 Administrative Delegates, Franklin & Marshall, 9:30

# January

Wed.-Sat. 23-26 NCAA Convention, Orlando, Fla.

Friday 25 Administrative Delegates, 12:30

Tuesday 29 Tennis committee, 10:00

# February

Friday 1 Start of Spring Practice

Saturday 9 Wrestling championship, Merchant Marine

Tuesday 19 Basketball first round

Thurs-Sun 21-24 Swimming championship, Gettysburg

Friday 22 Basketball semifinals

Saturday 23 Basketball finals

Sat-Sun 23-24 Indoor Track and Field championship, F&M

# March

Tuesday 5 Basketball / Swimming committee meetings, 9:30

Thursday 7 Board of Delegates, 9:30

Sunday 10 Daylight Savings Time begins

Thursday 14 Administrative Delegates, F&M, 9:30

# April

Friday 19 Passover begins

Sunday 21 Easter

Fri-Sun. 26-28 Men’s Golf Championship, Muhlenberg

Sat-Sun. 27-28 Women’s Golf championship, Conference

Tuesday 30 Softball playoffs begin

# May

Wednesday 1 Men’s Lacrosse semifinals

Wed-Sun 1-4-5 Women’s Lacrosse / Tennis playoffs

Thu-Sat-Sun 2-4-5 Baseball playoffs

Fri-Sat 3-4 Softball playoffs

Fri-Sun 3-4-5 Outdoor Track and Field championship, Muhlenberg

Saturday 4 Men’s Lacrosse final

Tuesday 7 Spring committee meetings, 9:30

Monday 13 Athletic Communications meeting, 10:00

Tuesday 14 Board of Delegates, Franklin & Marshall, 9:30

Mon-Tues 20-21 Administrative Delegates, Swarthmore

Tuesday 28 Presidents Dinner, Gettysburg, 6:00

Wednesday 29 Presidents Council, Gettysburg, 9:00

Appendix C

Distance/Time to Conference Sites

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| *BMC* | - | 112 1:53 | 68 1:17 | 128 2:10 | 2 0:09 | 103 2:06 | 131 2:25 | 50 0:59 | 14 0:27 | 20 0:32 | 86 1:46 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
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| *F&M* | 68 1:17 | 60 1:06 | - | 55 1:25 | 71 1:25 | 73 1:22 | 62 1:23 | 67 1:30 | 81 1:32 | 65 1:22 | 83 2:03 | 131 2:19 | 76 1:42 | 86 1:32 | 128 2:16 | 60 1:30 | - | - | - |
| *GET* | 128 2:10 | 27 0:45 | 55 1:25 | - | 130 2:15 | 57 1:27 | 24 0:41 | 120 2:07 | 139 2:18 | 118 2:15 | 125 2:40 | 82 1:56 | 128 2:16 | 88 1:43 | 81 1:27 | 129 2:24 | 222 3:40 | 245 4:45 | 205 3:25 |
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| *JUN* | - | 73 1:45 | 131 2:19 | 82 1:56 | - | 159 3:05 | 105 2:32 | 169 2:53 | - | 177 3:14 | - | - | 177 3:03 | 77 1:40 | - | - | - | - | - |
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Appendix D

Playing and Practice Season Chart

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| Sport | Preseason Practice | First DOC | Permissible  DOC / CON | Exemptions |
| Baseball | TS-February 1 NTS-September 7 or first day of classes for fall term | TS-The last Saturday in February. | TS-40 CON with no more than 30 while class is in session. NTS- 1 DOC | 1 alumni scrimmage |
| Basketball | TS-October 15 | TS-November 8 or the preceding Friday if November 15 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. | 25 CON with one exempted scrimmage, or 24 CON with two exempted scrimmages. | 1 alumni scrimmage |
| Cross Country | TS-Date that permits 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition.  NTS-February 1 | TS-September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. | 9 DOC | 1 alumni scrimmage |
| Field Hockey | TS-Date that permits 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition.  NTS-February 1 | TS-September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. | TS-18 CON  NTS- 1 DOC | 1 alumni scrimmage |
| Football | TS-Date that permits 25 practice opportunities prior to first intercollegiate CON | TS-The Friday or Saturday 11 weeks before the first round of the DIII championship or the Thursday prior to Labor Day when the first permissible contest falls on Labor Day weekend. | 10 CON | 1 scrimmage |
| Golf | Fall-Date that permits 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition.  Spring-January 15 | Fall-September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, or the institution’s first day of classes, whichever is earlier. Spring-March 1 If March 1 falls on a Sunday, the preceding Saturday is permissible as the first DOC with no prohibition for competition during the ensuing week. If March 1 falls on a Monday through Friday, a DOC may be scheduled for the previous weekend in lieu of competition during the ensuing week. Teams that utilize this option are prohibited from scheduling a DOC during the following weekdays (Sunday-Friday) | 18 DOC. Fall national preview invitational tournament can be exempted if invited. | 1 alumni scrimmage |
| Lacrosse | TS-February 1 NTS-September 7 or first day of classes for fall term | TS-Date that permits 11 regular-season Saturdays before the Conference tournament. Scrimmage anytime after February 1. | TS-17 DOC with no more than 15 DOC while classes are in session NTS-1 DOC | 1 alumni scrimmage |
| Soccer | TS-Date that permits 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition.  NTS-February 1 | TS-September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. | TS-18 CON  NTS-1 DOC | 1 alumni scrimmage |
| Softball | TS-February 1 NTS-September 7 or first day of classes for fall term | TS-Date that permits 11 regular-season Saturdays before the Conference tournament. | TS-40 CON with no more than 30 while classes are in session NTS-1 DOC | 1 alumni scrimmage |
| Swimming | TS-September 23 | October 25. If Oct. 25 falls on a Sunday, the preceding Saturday is permissible as the first DOC with no prohibition for competition during the ensuing week. If Oct. 25 falls on a Monday through Friday, a DOC may be scheduled for the previous weekend in lieu of competition during the ensuing week. Teams that utilize this option are prohibited from scheduling a DOC during the following weekdays (Sunday-Friday) | TS-16 DOC |  |
| Tennis | Fall-Date that permits 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition.  Spring-January 15 | Fall-September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, or the institution’s first day of classes, whichever is earlier. Spring-February 22. If Feb. 22 falls on a Sunday, the preceding Saturday is permissible as the first DOC with no prohibition for competition during the ensuing week. If Feb. 22 falls on a Monday through Friday, a DOC may be scheduled for the previous weekend in lieu of competition during the ensuing week. Teams that utilize this option are prohibited from scheduling a DOC during the following weekdays (Sunday-Friday) | TS-18 DOC, including not more than 4 individual singles/doubles tournaments that are counted as single DOC | 1 alumni scrimmage |
| Track  and Field | TS- September 7 or first day of classes for fall term | TS-September 7 or first day of classes for fall term | TS-18 DOC, including not more than four two-day meets that are counted as a single DOC |  |
| Volleyball | TS-Date that permits 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition.  NTS-February 1 | TS-September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. | TS-20 DOC with an exempted preseason scrimmage. NTS-1 DOC | 1 alumni scrimmage |
| Wrestling | TS- October 10 | TS-November 1 | TS-16 DOC, including not more than two two-day meets that are counted as single DOC |  |

Appendix E

Calculating Practice Opportunities

Division III Preseason Practice Formula for Fall Sports Other than Football

17.02.12 – Fall Preseason Practice Formula – Sports Other Than Football. In cross country, field hockey, golf (for an institution that conducts its traditional segment during the fall), rugby, soccer, tennis (for an institution that conducts its traditional segment during the fall) and women’s volleyball, the first permissible date for preseason practice shall be determined by the application of 16 units in the preseason practice formula, as

specified in this section.

17.02.12.1 – Unit – Defined. A unit is a numerical value assigned to a particular calendar day within the application of the preseason practice formula that is used to determine the first permissible practice date for fall sports other than football. The number of units assigned to a particular day does not determine or limit the number of practices that may be conducted on that day.

17.02.12.2 – Determining the First Permissible Practice Date For Fall Sports Other Than Football – Application of the 16 Units. In order to determine the first permissible practice date, an institution shall count back a total of 16 units on a calendar starting with the day before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition (see Bylaw 17.02.11.2.1), as follows:

a. Never assign any units to Sundays on the calendar. It is permissible to practice on Sundays;

b. Never assign any units to calendar days during the preseason when all institutional dormitories are closed, the institution's team must leave campus, and practice is not conducted;

c. The first six units – Assign one unit to each of the six calendar days (not including Sunday) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition (see Bylaw 17.02.11.2.1);

d. For the remaining ten units:

1. Assign one unit to each calendar day (not including Sundays) that occurs on or after the opening day of classes for the fall term (see Bylaw 17.02.11.2.2); and

2. Assign two units to each calendar day before the opening day of classes for the fall term (not including Sundays) until the total sum of units on the calendar reaches 16;

e. The date on which the total count of units on the calendar reaches 16 is the first permissible date for preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.02.11.2.3).

17.02.12.2.1 – First Scheduled Intercollegiate Competition. The assignment of units for counting using the preseason practice formula should begin on the day before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition. It is not permissible to determine the starting date for preseason practice by counting back from the first scheduled preseason exhibition, scrimmage or joint practice session.

17.02.12.2.2 – Opening Day of Classes. The opening day of classes is defined as the first day of classes as listed in the member institution's official catalog. Required freshman orientation is not considered to be the opening day of classes for the academic year.

17.02.12.2.3 – Remainder of One Counting Unit. If you have a sixteenth and seventeenth unit on the same day, you can permissibly start practice on that day since it is the day in which the total count of units reaches 16.

17.02.12.2.4 – Football Preseason Practice Formula. Do not use the preseason practice formula in this section for the sport of football. Instead, use the formula in Bylaw 17.11.2.1.1.

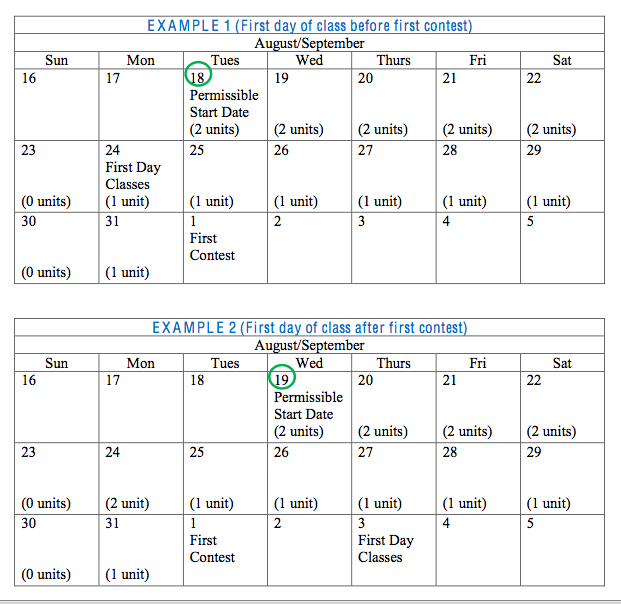
Other common preseason questions

If the day before the first permissible date for preseason practice is a designated equipment and squad picture day, could a student-athlete report the evening prior to that day and receive lodging and a meal? YES

Could non-sport related meetings (e.g., to sign compliance forms, to administer medical exams) and other non-sport related activities (e.g., checking into dorms) be conducted on the day before the first day of preseason practice? YES

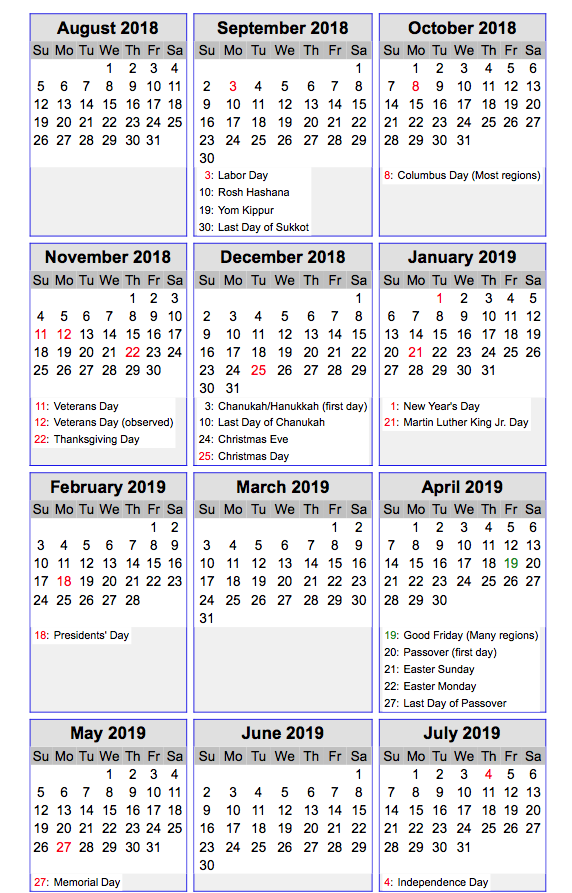
Could student-athletes participate in academic orientation activities, the issuance of equipment, squad pictures or other sport related administrative activities on the day before the first day of preseason practice? YES

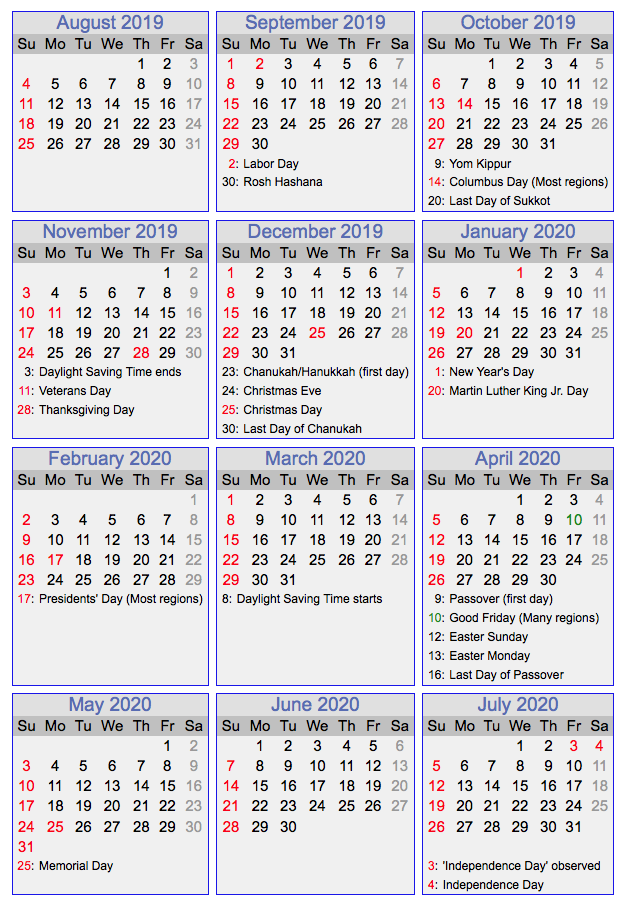
Could conditioning, speed, strength or agility tests be given prior to the first permissible date for preseason practice? NO



Appendix F

Future Calendars





Appendix G

Hardship Waiver Application

## A student-athlete may be granted an additional year of participation by the Conference or the NCAA Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for reasons of "hardship." Hardship is defined as an incapacity resulting from a season-ending injury or illness that has occurred under specified conditions.

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| Disposition |  |
| Granted |  |
| Further Information Needed |  |
| Rejected |  |

I. Summary

Institution

Student-Athlete (first, last name)

Sport Involved Season Related To

II. Background

List Academic Years of College Enrollment \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

Intercollegiate Competition (X) \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

**III. Injury / Illness**

A. Occurred when student-athlete had not participated in more than three events or one-third (whichever is greater) of the institution’s total completed events or total scheduled events. **YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_**

B. Occurred in the first half of traditional playing season (including one date or contest for Centennial postseason and excluding NCAA postseason).**YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_**

C. Did the student-athlete compete in any subvarsity contests during the year of appeal? **YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_**

D. If yes to C:

1. Student-Athlete competed in how many subvarsity contests?

2. Last date of subvarsity competition:

E. This hardship waiver, if approved, does not allow the student-athlete to exceed 10 full-time semesters of 15 full-time quarters. Does the student-athlete have a semester or quarter to use the waiver? **YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_**

**IV. Calculation**

A. Total Contests / Dates of Competition in Traditional Segment for Team \_\_\_\_\_

B. First-Half of Season Calculation (one-half of [A] rounded down to nearest integer) \_\_\_\_\_

C. Contests/Dates of Competition Completed by Team at Time of Injury/Illness (must be less than or equal to [B]) \_\_\_\_\_

D. Three Contests/Dates or First-Third of Season Calculation (one-third of [A] rounded up to nearest integer) \_\_\_\_\_

E. Number of Contests/Dates of Competition Participated by Applicant (must be less than or equal to [D] \_\_\_\_\_

*A student-athlete who suffers an injury in the first half of the traditional season, enters competition during the second half of the traditional season and then is unable to participate further as a result of aggravating the original injury* ***does not*** *qualify for the hardship waiver.*

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**V. Required Documentation Attached** (please check items)

**\_\_\_ Cover Letter.** A letter from your institution’s athletic administrator(s) requesting consideration for hardship waiver.

**\_\_\_ Contemporaneous Medical Documentation (IMPORTANT).** Must be statements, dictation or post-operative notes or a letter signed by the attending physician at the time of the injury/illness and competition shutdown, verifying that it is reasonable to conclude that the student-athlete did not engage in further competition.

**\_\_\_ Statistics.** A final page of statistics that might show how many games the student-athlete competed in, unless there are no statistics (e.g. defensive lineman). Please do not send a stack of papers with all of your statistics. We only need the page that would indicate the total number of games in which the student-athlete participated.

**\_\_\_ Team Results Form (attached).** This list must include all contests or dates of competition, whichever the sport in question uses. You may use either a scheduled or completed list whichever is more student-friendly. You must list each contest or date of competition (multiple-day events that count as one may only be listed as one) then indicate whether the team played and whether the student-athlete played. Exclude preseason scrimmages and exhibitions; count the Centennial tournament as one and exclude any NCAA postseason.

**\_\_\_ Transcripts.** These can be official or unofficial, as long as they accurately reflect all previous full-time terms of enrollment at your institution and any/all previous institutions. Remember, the 10-semester/15-quarter rule is separate from medical harship and cannot be exceeded, regardless of the medical harship approval. This is the responsibility of the institution.

VI. Student-Athlete Authorization

I authorize the release of the appropriate medical records pertaining to the Hardship Waiver Application as stated above for the confidential use of the appropriate officer(s) of the Centennial Conference in determining the disposition of this Hardship Waiver Application per NCAA Bylaw 14.2.5.

Student-Athlete Name: Signature:

Date:

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Appendix H

Representatives of Athletic Interest

NCAA Division III Bylaw 13.02.9 Representative of Athletics Interests or Booster. A "representative of the institution's athletics interests" is an individual who is known (or who should have been known) by a member of the institution's executive or athletics administration to:

1. Have participated in or to be a member of an agency or organization promoting the institution's intercollegiate athletics program;
2. Have made financial contributions to the athletics department or to an athletics booster organization of that institution;
3. Be assisting or to have been requested (by the athletics department staff) to assist in the recruitment of prospective student athletes;
4. Be assisting or to have assisted in providing benefits to enrolled student-athletes or their families; or
5. Have been involved otherwise in promoting the institution's athletics program.

Once a person, agency, business or other organization identified as a "representative of athletics interests," that person/entity retains that identity for life.

Do's and Don'ts Regarding Current Student-Athletes.

Student-athletes are permitted to receive many benefits as a result of their participation in intercollegiate athletics, including benefits that are available to students or the public generally and not tied in any way to the student-athlete's status as an athlete, as well as benefits that are expressly permitted by NCAA rules.

As a representative of athletics interest YOU MAY...

* Provide an occasional meal to a student-athlete or an entire team at any location in the locale of the institution. Meals must be restricted to infrequent and special occasions. Please consult with the director of athletics at the institution to determine what qualifies as "in the locale" and what constitutes "infrequent and special occasions."
* Provide local transportation to a student-athlete for the occasional meal.
* Pay for or provide a meal to a student-athlete or entire team outside of the locale of the institution

as long as the meal is in conjunction with, or en route to or from, an away-from-home contest.

* Donate lodging to an institution, which the institution may, in turn, provide to a student-athlete or

team in conjunction with, or en route to or from, an away-from-home contest.

But, please DO NOT...

* Provide a current student-athlete, their parents or friends with any benefit or special arrangement without prior approval of the director of athletics.
* Provide, co-sign, or arrange a loan for a student-athlete, the student-athlete's parents, relatives or friends – no matter the amount.
* Pay for, arrange for payment of, or provide cost-free room, board, or transportation for a student- athlete or their family and friends.
* Provide or arrange for the provision of gifts or free or reduced-cost services of any kind (e.g., restaurant meals, summer storage space, use of laundry facilities, retail discounts, etc.) for a current student-athlete or his or her family members.
* Provide entertainment to student-athletes or their families.
* Provide any award (e.g., financial aid award, most valuable player award, etc.) to student-athletes which are not approved by the department of athletics or not provided through the college/university.
* Provide tickets to professional sporting events.
* Make contact (e.g., in-person contact, telephone calls, electronic communication, written correspondence) with the student-athlete of another NCAA or National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) four-year collegiate institution about transferring institutions.

Do's and Don'ts Regarding Recruitment and Prospective Student-Athletes.

Although recruitment of prospects is reserved for authorized university staff members,

YOU MAY ...

* Write, email, text, or telephone a prospect in an effort to recruit him or her to the university. Contact a prospect's high school coach, principal or counselor for the purpose of recruiting the prospect (e.g., meeting with the counselor, picking up a videotape of the prospect, etc.)
* If permission from the college/university is given, make recruiting contacts and evaluations with prospective student-athletes and four-year college prospective student-athletes.
* Forward information (e.g., via newspaper clippings, internet postings, telephone calls to coaching staff members, etc.) about a prospect to coaching staff members.
* Attend high school, prep school, club events and two-year college athletics events at your own initiative (i.e., not at the direction of a university staff member) provided you do not have contact with the prospect or his/her parents, guardians, relatives, high school/American Athletic Union (AAU) coach, guidance counselor, etc. unless permissible through NCAA recruiting legislation.  Display normal civility if you "run into" a prospect somewhere other than the prospect's educational institution, practice or competition site. Such contact must be truly incidental and not prearranged by anyone.
* Continue established relationships with friends and neighbors. Contacts with these individuals should not be for recruiting purposes. Any benefits provided should be similar in nature to benefits provided prior to the individual entering ninth grade.
* Prospects may attend luncheons or dinners in their immediate locale which are sponsored by the college/university and are open to all prospective students (not prospective student-athletes only). Contact with prospects at such events is permissible.

But, please DO NOT...

* Directly or indirectly make any arrangement for a prospect to receive cash, financial aid of any kind, or loans of any kind (including signing or co-signing for a loan).
* Provide, arrange for or pay for any type of transportation to any location for a prospect.
* Provide a prospect with any cost-free or discounted gifts or services, including tickets to a home or away event, and payment of camp registration fees.
* Provide or arrange employment for a prospect or a prospect's relatives or friends.  Provide gifts of clothing or equipment, or any tangible item including merchandise.
* Provide free or reduced-cost services, rentals or purchase of any type or free or reduced-cost housing.
* Finance or arrange the use of recruiting aids to publicize the institutions interest in a particular prospect.
* Contact a student from another institution to encourage him or her to transfer.
* Provide anything to a prospect without prior approval from the director of athletics.

Appendix I

Media Outlets

NEWSPAPERS VOICE Email Twitter

Allentown Morning Call 610-820-6547 sports@mcall.com @mcall

Altoona Mirror 814-946-7461 sports@altoonamirror.com @AltoonaMirrorPA

Baltimore Sun 410-332-6200 sports@baltsun.com @BaltSunSports

Bucks County Courier Times (Levittown) 215-949-4215 newstips@calkins.com @CourierTimes

Carroll County Times 410-857-7894 sports@CCTnews.com @CCTsports

Centre Daily Times 814-231-4630 cdtscores@centredaily.com @cdt\_sports

Chambersburg Public Opinion 717-262-4755 sports@publicopinion.com @PONews

Daily Item (Sunbury) 570-286-5671 news@dailylocal.com @dailyitemsports

Daily Local News (West Chester) 610-696-1775 sports@dailylocal.com @DLNsports

Delaware County Times (Primos) 610-622-8884 sports@delcotimes.com @DelcoSports

Doylestown Intelligencer 215-949-4175 newstips@calkins.com @TheIntellNews

Easton Express-Times 610-258-7171 sports@express-times.com @lehighvalley

Frederick Post 301-622-1177 jsmith@newspost.com @FrederickSports

Gettysburg Times 717-334-1131 sports@gettysburgtimes.com @Gburg\_Times

Hanover Evening Sun 717-637-3736 sports@eveningsun.com @EveningSunSport

Harrisburg Patriot-News 717-255-8404 scoreline@pnco.com @pennlive

Huntingdon Daily News 814-643-4040 sports@huntingdondailynews.com @TDNHuntingdon

Kent County News 410-778-2011 sports@chespub.com @APGChesOnline

Lancaster Newspapers 717-291-8699 sports@LNPnews.com @lancastersports

Lebanon Daily News 717-272-5611 sports@ldnews.com @LDnews

Main Line Media News 610-642-4300 badams@mainlinemedianews.com @MLineSports

Philadelphia Daily News 215-854-5700 sports@phillynews.com @PhillyDNSports

Philadelphia Inquirer 215-854-4550 collegesports@philly.com @SportsInq

Pottstown Mercury 610-323-3000 sports@pottsmerc.com @PottsMercSports

Press of Atlantic City 609-272-7179 MMelhorn@pressofac.com @ACPressSports

Reading Eagle 610-371-5061 sports@readingeagle.com @RE\_sports

Sunbury Daily Item 570-286-5671 kritzman@dailyitem.com @dailyitemsports

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Wilmington News Journal 302-324-2539 sports@delawareonline.com @DelOnlineSports

York Daily Record 717-771-2058 scores@ydr.com @ydrcom

York Dispatch 717-505-5446 sports@yorkdispatch.com @YDsports

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WFMZ-69 Allentown IND 610.790.0690 sports@wfmz.com @69news

WTAJ-10 Altoona CBS 814-942-1010 pterpstra@wtajtv.com @WTAJnews

WBAL-11 Baltimore NBC 410-338-6512 newstips@wbaltv.com @WBALTV11

WBFF-45 Baltimore FOX 410-467-5595 news@foxbaltimore.com @FoxBaltimore

WJZ-13 Baltimore CBS 410-578-7522 newsroom@wjz.com @cbsbaltimore

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WGAL-8 Lancaster NBC 800-847-9425 pprincipe@hearst.com @WGAL

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WPMT-43 York FOX 717-814-5600 news@fox43.com @fox43

KYW-3 Philadelphia CBS 215-238-4646 newsdesk@cbs3.com @CBSPhilly

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