

2011-2012 WPIAL JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

UPDATE ~ #2 ~ PRESEASON SCRIMMAGES (2)

February 14, 2011

First Practice Date **August 15, 2011**
First Scrimmage Date **August 25, 2011**
First Play Date **September 8, 2011**

Maximum Scrimmages ~ **2**
Maximum Contests ~ **10**

Please make sure your coach has a copy of the schedule. The WPIAL Junior High football competition is scheduled to begin on Thursday, September 8, 2011 and must be completed according to the schedule. All games are scheduled on Thursday with the option to reschedule if mutually agreeable. The assigned date will be "official" if both schools do not agree to an adjusted date. Please check your placement and opponents for the accuracy of the schedule. Please call the League office with any questions or problems at 412-921-7181 or 800-297-9553.

SCHOOLS MUST FOLLOW THE NATIONAL FEDERATION RULES FOR JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL.

GUIDELINES FOR WPIAL JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL

1. *Junior or middle schools that sponsor interscholastic football **are permitted to wear helmets and shoulder pads only on the first three (3) days of football practice August 15, 16, 17, 2011.*** The earliest date for a regularly scheduled junior high game will be Thursday, September 8, 2011.
2. Only **TWO** pre-season scrimmage is permitted.
3. No contest shall be played with a non-PIAA member school unless the eligibility rules for both school and contestant meet the requirements of the PIAA. Post season or play-off games are prohibited.
4. Only PIAA approved football officials can be hired. The WPIAL recommends the use of three officials for each game.
5. Games shall consist of four **ten-minute periods**. Shortened periods must be agreed upon in advance by both principals. It is recommended that all afternoon contests start at 3:30 PM unless the competing school principals agree to another starting time.
6. When a school has more than one team competing in the junior high program, no player shall be permitted to play for both teams. An eligibility sheet for **each** team must be prepared prior to the season. No changing over is permitted.
7. **A fifth period scrimmage after regular games is prohibited.** Principals and coaches should note that the PIAA does not sanction this under any circumstances.
8. No overtimes are permitted in junior high football.

JUNIOR HIGH FOOTBALL ALIGNMENT – 46 TEAMS

SECTION 1

Derry
Franklin Regional
Greensburg Salem
Hempfield
Indiana
Latrobe
Norwin
Penn Trafford

SECTION 2

Butler
Fox Chapel
North Allegheny
North Hills
Pine Richland
Seneca Valley
Shaler

SECTION 3

Central Catholic
Gateway
Kiski
McKeesport
Penn Hills (*Linton*)
Plum
Woodland Hills

SECTION 4

Baldwin
Bethel Park
Canon McMillan
Chartiers Valley
Mt. Lebanon
Peters Twp
Upper St. Clair
West Mifflin

SECTION 5

Albert Gallatin
Connellsville
Elizabeth Forward
Mt. Pleasant
Laurel Highlands
Trinity
Uniontown
Waynesburg

SECTION 6

Burrell
Ford City
Hampton
Highlands
Kittanning
Knoch
Mars
Valley

TEAMS THAT HAVE DROPPED

Deer Lakes
Freeport
McGuffey
Ringgold
Thomas Jefferson

TEAMS ADDED

Fox Chapel