

# NHIAA 2020 Field Hockey Open Tournament

## COVID – 19 Safety Procedures and Guidelines

- All CDC and New Hampshire Dept. of Health guidelines will be enforced.
- All guidelines set forth in the Governor’s Safer at Home guidance for “Amateur and Youth Sports” must be followed.
- All guidelines set forth in the “NHIAA Reopening Sports Guidance” guidelines must be followed.
- All game modifications approved by the NFHS, NHIAA Field Hockey Committee, NHIAA Sports Medicine Committee and NHIAA Council will be observed.

## Tournament

- The NHIAA 2020 Field Hockey Tournament is set up as an open tournament by division
- Each school was able to opt in based upon their comfort level of competing in a state wide competition
- Based upon feedback from member schools and the success of regional scheduling during the regular season, the Field Hockey Committee divided each division into 4 regional groups
- Each of the 4 groups was determined based upon location in the state and proximity to each other.
- Schools were placed in the tournament bracket to maximize the number of teams competing based upon data collected. Team numbers/positions in the bracket were randomly generated.
- Team records from the regular season were not considered when placing teams in the bracket. Rather, proximity to one another within the cluster was the presiding factor utilized to set up the bracket.
- Any team who opts out of the tournament will be withdrawn from the bracket and their next scheduled opponent will automatically advance to the next round.
- **It is recommended that each rostered student athlete on the varsity team, both home and away, are provided two tickets per game. Should local school rules mandate a more strict policy regarding visitors and fans to their school campus, such rules will take precedent over the NHIAA’s recommendation.**

Hosting school is determined by their “team number”  
(#1 being the lowest number)

### **Tuesday, October 27th – Semifinals (Hosting Region will be by draw)**

Division I Region 1 vs Region 4 – 1 game  
Division I Region 2 vs Region 3 – 1 game

### **Wednesday, October 28th – Semifinals (Hosting Region will be by draw)**

Division III Region 1 vs Region 4 – 1 game  
Division III Region 2 vs Region 3 – 1 game

### **Thursday, October 29th – Semifinals (Hosting Region will be by draw)**

Division II Region 1 vs Region 4 – 1 game  
Division II Region 2 vs Region 3 – 1 game

### **Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> – Finals (Hosting Region will be by draw)**

Division I (1/4 vs 2/3) – 1 game  
Division II (1/4 vs 2/3) – 1 game  
Division III (1/4 vs 2/3) – 1 game