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To: All Schools in the CIAC Soccer Finals

From: Gregg Simon, Associate Executive Director, CIAC Re: Information for Soccer Finals – Dillon Stadium

Date: November, 2019

First, let me congratulate your team(s) for making it to the finals of the 2019 CIAC Soccer Championships. Please review the following information regarding the finals on Saturday, November 23, 2019 at Dillon Stadium.

- 1. <u>Site Coordination</u> -- Please contact the Site Director where you are playing to review information on arrival time, bus parking, etc., and who will be on duty from your school to provide supervision at the event. Each school must provide supervision for their students and fans at each game. The school principal or his/her designee must be present and they are to introduce themselves to the site director. The Site Director will seek assistance from school personnel if there are any issues with fans or students. Teams can be dropped off and enter the facility at the gate labeled "team entrance" adjacent to the facility on Huyshope Ave. and then busses should go to park on Van Dyke Ave. on the opposite side of the Stadium. Teams can then exit the facility and have busses pick them up at the gate on the opposite end of the facility from the ticket entrance on Huyshope Ave.
- 2. <u>Locker Rooms</u> Each team will have access to a locker room prior to the game, but they will not have access until after halftime of the preceding game. Teams can sit/wait in the stands on the side of the Stadium opposite the team benches. Teams will be able to use the locker rooms prior to the match, and then again at halftime. At the conclusion of halftime, teams are asked to remove all belongings and bring them to the field so the teams in the following game can have access.
- 3. <u>Trainers</u> -- Each school is <u>required</u> to bring their own trainer to the game. Please also be aware ice cannot be provided at the facility so teams will need to bring their own ice.
- 4. <u>Fan Information</u> Please remind your fans and students of CIAC tournament regulations regarding **NO** noisemakers, horns, signs and sportsmanship expectations at CIAC events. Fan parking is available in the lot next to the Stadium across Huyshope Ave. Please alert fans there is no street parking permitted around the Stadium. Spectator seating will be limited to the stands on the press box side of the venue.
- 5. <u>Complimentary Tickets</u> There are no pass lists for these finals. You can download your comp tickets as a .pdf file from the link(s) under the option for soccer in the eligibility center. Note that the tickets are for specific games and each have a unique barcode. If you download or copy them multiple times they will have the same barcodes. Do not distribute more than one of each of the tickets in the file you download. Once a barcode has been scanned any other tickets with that same code will be invalid.
 - Each school has been issued 15 complimentary tickets. The allotment is designed so that admissions for the principal, athletic director and other supervisory personnel attending the game in a working capacity do not need to come out of the standard block of 10 we have given for most sports in the past.
- 6. <u>On-line Tickets</u> We recommend that students, parents and fans buy their tickets on-line as we expect large crowds at all sites. Tickets can be purchased in advance on-line by going to https://gofan.co/app/school/CIAC. Long lines are expected so purchase in advance!
- 7. Conclusion of the Game NO students or spectators will be allowed on the field at the conclusion of the game.
- 8. <u>End-of-Game Presentation</u> Each team is expected to line up on the side line and as team members are introduced they are to go onto the field to accept their medals. After accepting their medals they remain lined-up on the field until the medals are presented to both teams. The runner-up trophy will then be given to the coach and captains of the team followed by the championship trophy to the winning coach and captains.

- 9. <u>Television Coverage</u> All games will be streamed by the NFHS Network (subscription required). Go to NFHSNetwork.com/CIAC for the full schedule and information.
- 10. <u>Ball Boys/Girls</u> Each team must bring two ball boys/girls to the game who will be admitted with the team free of charge.
- 11. Game Balls The site will provide the game balls and the team must bring their own for warm-up.

12. Site Directors

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Dillon Stadium Matt Shea – C – (860) 620-7150

Saturday's Schedule

Willowbrook Park:

10:00. Girls Class S12:30 Boys Class S3:00. Girls Class LL5:30 Boys Class LL

Dillon Stadium:

10:00. Boys Class M12:30. Girls Class M3:00. Boys Class L5:30 Girls Class L