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PIAA “OFFICIAL BALL” ADOPTIONS ANNOUNCED EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2017 – JUNE 30, 2021

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The Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association, Inc. (PIAA) is pleased to announce “Official Ball” adoptions in the sports of baseball, basketball, football, soccer, softball, tennis and volleyball, for a four (4) year period beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2021.

PIAA received proposals for “Official Ball” adoption from various manufacturers by the stated deadline of 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 11, 2017. The PIAA Board of Directors unanimously voted to accept the recommendation of the Administrative Staff, who completed a comparative analysis, to award the “Official Ball” status in each sport as follows:

Sport	Manufacturer	Model Number
Baseball	Spalding	41-100HS
Basketball	Spalding	TF-1000 Legacy 74-7168 (Boys) 74-7358 (Girls)
Football	Wilson	GST WTF1003
Soccer	Spalding	TF-5000 64-7929
Softball	Dudley (Spalding)	43-147 (Red Stitch)
Tennis	Wilson	WRT100101
Volleyball	Baden	Perfection VX5EC-210

Member schools may elect to participate with the NFHS-approved ball of their choice during Regular Season Contests. Qualifying schools are required to compete with the PIAA Championships’ “Official Ball” provided for use in PIAA District and all Inter-District Championship Contests (first round through final, inclusive).