### FAIRFIELD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

### High School Football Program 2024-2025 & 2025-2026

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## **Presentation Overview**

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- Options Considered (2-Year Cycle)
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### **District Vision**



#### The vision of the FASD is to provide <u>opportunities</u> to develop skills and <u>empower students</u> to become successful <u>in the world in which they will live.</u>

### **District Mission**



## Students First!



#### • Why....Discussion on Fairfield Football

 $\circ$  High School Fairfield Football Coaches

 $\circ$  Team moving forward

o Players

• Options



#### • Communications with Stakeholders

- Football Coaches Meetings:
  - November Before Thanksgiving
  - ♦ December Before the 1<sup>st</sup> Survey was conducted.
- o Football Player/Parent Meeting
  - ♦ December 19<sup>th</sup>
- PIAA/ YAIAA Communication:
  - November Preliminary Discussions with YAIAA President
  - ♦ November 30<sup>th</sup> YAIAA Executive Board Discussion
  - December YAIAA Follow-up Discussions
  - December YAIAA Formal Request
  - ✤ January 4<sup>th</sup> YAIAA Executive Board Final Discussion
  - ✤ January 4<sup>th</sup> PIAA District 3 Conversation with Football Chair
  - January 8<sup>th</sup> YAIAA Division III/Football Committee Meeting
  - ✤ January 8<sup>th</sup> YAIAA League Vote
- Surveys:
  - Early/Mid December Player/Parent Survey
  - December 19th Parent Survey @ the Player/Parent Meeting
  - February 6th Player Survey





Early/Mid December

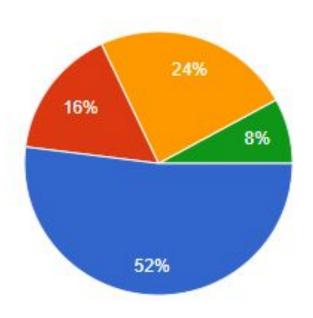
• December 19<sup>th</sup>: Football player/parent meeting

• Week of February 15th: Football Players/Potential Football Players



Current Grade

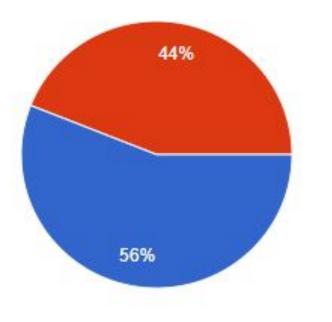
25 responses







Would you prefer to play a JV or Varsity Schedule over the next 2-year Cycle? 25 responses

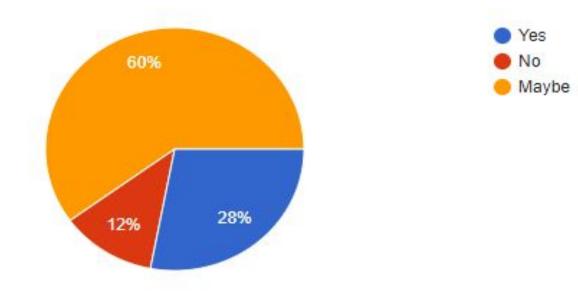






Do you plan on play football for the Fairfield Area School District next year regardless of whether there is a JV or a Varsity Schedule?

25 responses





#### • Fairfield Football Opponents

7 YAIAA League Games
3 Games – Fairfield Choice

#### • Enrollment

○ Fairfield HS Enrollment – 2009 (437)

o Fairfield HS Enrollment – Current (283)

## PIAA / YAIAA



#### • PIAA/YAIAA Cycle

#### o PIAA

- $\circ$  District 3
- o YAIAA
- $\circ$  Enrollment Data
- $\circ 2$  year cycle



•Varsity Schedule



### •Junior Varsity Schedule

YAIAA Decisions

Fairfield opponents

• Play Dates

 $\circ$  Another Fairfield decision in a year



#### • Independent Schedule

- An independent schedule is **not** an option per the YAIAA Constitution and Bylaws
- $\circ$  If you are a member of the league...then you are in the league for all sports.
- $\odot$  Summary, you cannot be independent in one sport.



#### • Co-op with another School District

- There was some interest in forming a CO-OP (must be a bordering district) with another school, ie... Gettysburg.
- PIAA does allow for a co-op to occur at any time if it does not impact classification level, which initially it would not with Gettysburg in football.
- However, this is not an option at this time, for the next 2 year cycle (2024-2025 and 2025-2026) as we are currently committed to the YAIAA in all sports, and Gettysburg participates in the Mid-Penn League.

## **Next Steps**



#### • Direction...Moving Forward

- $\circ$  A decision is required to move forward.
- $\circ$  The District needs to provide the YAIAA a decision as it impacts other schools and their scheduling.
- What is the Fairfield Area School Board's directive for the District to respond to the YAIAA in regards to the next 2-year Football Cycle?

### **Direction to Administration?**

