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# FOOTBALL

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*Championship History is updated on a seasonal basis when possible.*

## State Champions

Year	Group	State Champion	Runner-Up
2022	V	Toms River North	Passaic Tech
	VI	Millville	Northern Highlands
	III	Northern Valley- Old Tappan	Delsea
	II	James Caldwell	Rumson-Fair Haven
	I	Woodbury	Mountain Lakes
	Non-Public A	Bergen Catholic	Don Bosco Prep
	Non-Public B	DePaul Catholic	Red Bank Catholic
2023	V	Toms River North	Passaic Tech
	VI	Mainland	Ramapo
	III	Delsea	West Essex
	II	Westwood	Rumson-Fair Haven
	I	Mountain Lakes	Glassboro
	Non-Public A	Bergen Catholic	Delbarton
	Non-Public B	Red Bank Catholic	DePaul Catholic

## Sectional Champions - Public

*\*DECLARED CHAMPIONS BY NJSIAA*

Year	Group	North I	North II	Central	South
1974	VI	Bergenfield	Morristown	Piscataway	Brick Township
	III	Ramapo	*West Essex	Bridgewater- Raritan East	Sterling
	II	*Hawthorne	*New Providence	Middlesex	*Pennsville
	I	*Henry P. Becton	*Mountain Lakes	*Highland Park	*Glassboro
1975	VI	Passaic Valley	Barringer	Matawan	Millville
	III	Ridgefield Park	Morris Hills	North Hunterdon	Moorestown
	II	Hawthorne	Madison Boro	Red Bank Regional	Audubon
	I	Hasbrouck Heights	West Morris Mendham	South Hunterdon	Glassboro
1976	VI	Bergenfield	Westfield	Edison	Camden
	III	Ridgefield Park	Summit	Carteret	Sterling
	II	Sparta	New Providence	Somerville	Delsea
	I	Hasbrouck Heights	Mountain Lakes	Keansburg	Burlington Township
1977	VI	North Bergen	Westfield	J.P. Stevens	Pemberton
	III	Cliffside Park	Phillipsburg	Somerville	Sterling
	II	Lenape Valley	Madison Boro	South River	Point Pleasant Boro
	I	*Wood-Ridge	Glen Ridge	Highland Park	Burlington Township
1978	VI	North Bergen	Union	J.P. Stevens	Toms River South
	III	Northern Highlands	Rahway	John F. Kennedy (Iselin)	Deptford
	II	Hawthorne	Madison Boro	South River	Point Pleasant Boro
	I	Mahwah	*Cedar Grove	Highland Park	Palmyra
1979	VI	Passaic Valley	Union	Hunterdon Central	Toms River North
	III	Pascack Hills	Rahway	Somerville	Delsea
	II	Sparta	Madison Boro	South River	Burlington City
	I	Mahwah	*Roselle Park	South Hunterdon	Paulsboro
1980	VI	Passaic Valley	West Essex	Woodbridge	Pennsauken
	III	Hoboken	Summit	Hillsborough	Mainland Regional
	II	Sparta	Whippany Park	Asbury Park	Northern Burlington
	I	Glen Rock	Glen Ridge	South River	Paulsboro
1981	VI	Passaic	Elizabeth	Piscataway	Brick Township
	III	Lincoln	James Caldwell	Ewing	Cherokee
	II	Lenape Valley	Hackettstown	Shore Regional	Pennsville
	I	Mahwah	Kenilworth	Middlesex	Glassboro



## Sectional Champions - Public *continued*

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Year	Group	North I	North II	Central	South
1982	VI	Passiac	Union	J.P. Stevens	Brick Township
	III	Bergenfield	West Morris Central	Wall Township	Cherokee
	II	Sparta	Butler	Shore Regional	Delsea
	I	Pompton Lakes	Glen Ridge	Middlesex	Paulsboro
1983	VI	Passaic	Montclair	Middletown North	Brick Township
	III	Ramapo	Randolph	Wall Township	Toms River South
	II	Lyndhurst	Butler	Somerville	Salem
	I	Emerson Boro	Cedar Grove	South River	Glassboro
1984	VI	North Bergen	Union	J.P. Stevens	Pennsauken
	III	Wayne Valley	Rahway	Franklin	Ocean City
	II	Dumont	Dover	Asbury Park	Delsea
	I	Cresskill	Chatham Boro	*Middlesex	Paulsboro
1985	VI	Passaic	Union	J.P. Stevens	Cherokee
	III	NV- Old Tappan	Linden	Ewing	Willingboro
	II	River Dell	Hillside	Somerville	Hammonton
	I	New Milford	Kenilworth	Metuchen	Florence
1986	VI	Passiac Valley	Union	Middletown North	Pennsauken
	III	Bergenfield	Randolph	Long Branch	Lakewood
	II	Harrison	Jefferson	Somerville	Delsea
	I	New Milford	Kenilworth	Highland Park	Paulsboro
1987	VI	JFK (Paterson)	Union	Madison Central	Washington Township
	III	Bergenfield	Randolph	Franklin	Rancocas Valley
	II	River Dell	Jefferson	*Ridge	Delran
	I	Cresskill	New Providence	Keyport	Glassboro
1988	VI	North Bergen	Elizabeth	Madison Central	Cherry Hill East
	III	Wayne Valley	Randolph	Matawan	Lacey Township
	II	Glen Rock	Summit	Shore Regional	Buena
	I	Waldwick	New Providence	Keyport	Woodbury
1989	VI	Passaic	Elizabeth	Middletown South	Brick Township
	III	Wayne Valley	Randolph	Franklin	Lacey Township
	II	Lenape Valley	Roselle (Abraham Clark)	Bridgewater-Raritan East	Delran
	I	Cresskill	New Providence	Highland Park	Woodbury

## Sectional Champions - Public *continued*

Year	Group	North I	North II	Central	South
1990	VI	North Bergen	Randolph	Middletown South	Cherokee
	III	Pascack Valley	Scotch Plains-Fanwood	Franklin	Overbrook
	II	Lenape Valley	Hanover Park	Manasquan	Delran
	I	Wallington	Butler	Highland Park	Woodbury
1991	VI	Ridgewood	Union	Edison	Toms River North
	III	Wayne Valley	West Morris Central	Matawan	Toms River South
	II	Lenape Valley	James Caldwell	Manasquan	Cinnaminson
	I	Palisades Park	Kenilworth	South River	Woodbury
1992	VI	Hackensack	Union	Middletown South	Washington Township
	III	NV- Demarest	Nutley	Matawan	Egg Harbor Township
	II	Lodi	Dover	Carteret	Delran
	I	Cresskill	Roselle Park	Keyport	Paulsboro
1993	VI	Hackensack	Union	Woodbridge	Cherokee
	III	Ramapo	Morristown	Ocean Township	Egg Harbor Township
	II	Lenape Valley	Summit	Manasquan	Hammonton
	I	Henry P. Becton	Roselle Park	Dunellen	Paulsboro
1994	VI	Hackensack	Montclair	Marlboro	Toms River North
	III	Hoboken	Morris Knolls	Franklin	Brick Township
	II	Wallkill Valley	Summit	Somerville	Hammonton
	I	Hasbrouck Heights	Butler	Keansburg	Paulsboro
1995	VI	Hackensack	Morris Knolls	Middletown South	Washington Township
	III	Hoboken	West Morris Central	Neptune	<i>Title Vacated</i>
	II	Ridgefield Park	A.L. Johnson	Voorhees	Northern Burlington
	I	Park Ridge	Butler	South River	Paulsboro
1996	VI	Hackensack	Montclair	Middletown North	Ocean City
	III	Hoboken	Morris Knolls	Franklin	Mainland Regional
	II	Ridgefield Park	Dover	Carteret	Hammonton
	I	Glen Rock	Butler	Keansburg	Paulsboro
1997	VI	North Bergen	Elizabeth	Woodbridge	Toms River North
	III	Ramapo	Morristown	Sayreville War Memorial	Mainland Regional
	II	Pompton Lakes	James Caldwell	Neptune	Bridgeton
	I	Cresskill	Butler	Shore Regional	Paulsboro
1998	VI	Passaic Tech	Roxbury	Hunterdon Central	Overbrook
	III	Hoboken	Morristown	Neptune	Ocean City
	II	Lodi	James Caldwell	Manasquan	Deptford
	I	Glen Rock	Madison Boro	Keyport	Woodbury

## Sectional Champions - Public *continued*

Year	Group	North I	North II	Central	South
1999	VI	Hackensack	Elizabeth	Hunterdon Central	Atlantic City
	III	Hoboken	Morristown	Long Branch	Ocean City
	II	Lenape Valley	Pequannock	Manasquan	Bridgeton
	I	Glen Rock	Belvidere	Keyport	Glassboro
2000	VI	Hackensack	Elizabeth	Hillsborough	Jackson Memorial
	III	Ramapo	Warren Hills	Ocean Township	Delsea
	II	Westwood	Pequannock	Manasquan	Moorestown
	I	Glen Rock	Cedar Grove	South River	Paulsboro
2001	VI	Passaic Tech	Phillipsburg	J.P. Stevens	Jackson Memorial
	III	Ramapo	West Morris Central	Middletown South	Woodrow Wilson
	II	Hopatcong	West Essex	Manasquan	Kingsway
	I	Glen Rock	Verona	South River	Paulsboro
2002	VI	Bayonne	Montclair	Piscataway	Shawnee
	III	Wayne Hills	Mount Olive	Wall Township	Mainland Regional
	II	Ramsey	A.L. Johnson (Clark)	Manasquan	West Deptford
	I	Glen Rock	Mountain Lakes	Keyport	Paulsboro
2003	VI	Ridgewood	Piscataway	Brick Memorial	Eastern
	III	Ramapo	Ridge	Middletown South	Deptford
	II	Sparta	West Essex	New Brunswick	West Deptford
	I	Boonton	Henry P. Becton	Florence	A.P. Schalick
2004	VI	Ridgewood	Piscataway	East Brunswick	Shawnee
	III	Wayne Hills	West Morris Central	Middletown South	Deptford
	II	Lakeland	West Essex	Raritan	West Deptford
	I	Westwood	Cedar Grove	Florence	A.P. Schalick
2005	VI	Morris Knolls	Phillipsburg	Jackson Memorial	Cherokee
	III	Wayne Hills	Middletown South	Ocean Township	Delsea
	II	Hopatcong	Lodi	Manasquan	Point Pleasant Boro
	I	Pompton Lakes	Hoboken	Florence	Paulsboro
2006	VI	Clifton	Elizabeth	Hunterdon Central	Absegami
	III	Wayne Hills	New Brunswick	Middletown South	Lacey Township
	II	Westwood	West Essex	Weequahic	Manasquan
	I	Bogota	David Brearley	Florence	Paulsboro
2007	VI	East Orange	Hunterdon Central	Howell	Toms River North
	III	Wayne Hills	West Side	Moorestown	Shawnee
	II	River Dell	West Essex (Newark)	Carteret	West Deptford
	I	Hasbrouck Heights	Cedar Grove	Asbury Park	Glassboro

## Sectional Champions - Public *continued*

Year	Group	North I	North II	Central	South
2008	VI	Livingston	Piscataway	Brick Memorial	Mainland Regional
	III	Wayne Hills	Phillipsburg	Freehold Boro	Shawnee
	II	Jefferson	James Caldwell	Manasquan	Delsea
	I	Mountain Lakes	Verona	Asbury Park	Glassboro
2009	VI	Roxbury	Phillipsburg	East Brunswick	Cherokee
	III	Ramapo	West Morris Central	Monroe	Hammonton
	II	Ramsey	Summit	Matawan	Delsea
	I	Mountain Lakes	Cedar Grove	Asbury Park	Woodbury
2010	VI	Randolph	Piscataway	Sayreville War Memorial	Cherokee
	III	Wayne Hills	Morristown	Freehold Boro	Lacey Township
	II	Lakeland	Madison	Rumson-Fair Haven	Haddonfield
	I	Wallington	New Providence	Shore Regional	Glassboro
2011	VI	North Bergen	Piscataway	Sayreville War Memorial	Pennsauken
	III	Wayne Hills	Cranford	Neptune	Timber Creek
	II	West Essex	Madison	Matawan	West Deptford
	I	Pompton Lakes	Cedar Grove	Asbury Park	Glassboro

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Year	Group	North I	North II	Central	South
2012*	V	Montclair	Elizabeth	South Brunswick	Williamstown
	VI	Roxbury	West Morris Central	Sayreville War Memorial	Timber Creek
	III	Ramapo	Summit	Hamilton North	Delsea
	II	Kinnelon	Madison	Carteret	West Deptford
	I	Pompton Lakes	Hoboken	Florence	Penns Grove
2013	V	Montclair	Ridge	Hunterdon Central	Cherokee
	VI	Pascack Valley	Phillipsburg	Brick Township	Shawnee
	III	Sparta	Summit	Hopewell Valley	Delsea
	II	Westwood	Mountain Lakes	Rumson-Fair Haven	Haddonfield
	I	Pompton Lakes	Hoboken	Point Pleasant Beach	Glassboro
2014	V	Montclair	Linden	Manalapan	Cherokee
	VI	Pascack Valley	Phillipsburg	Jackson Memorial	Shawnee
	III	Sparta	Parsippany Hills	Matawan	Delsea
	II	Westwood	Mountain Lakes	Rumson-Fair Haven	Haddonfield
	I	Verona	Malcolm X Shabazz	Shore Regional	Paulsboro



## Sectional Champions - Public *continued*

Year	Group	North I	North II	Central	South
2015	V	Passaic Tech	Westfield	South Brunswick	Toms River South
	VI	NV- Old Tappan	Middletown South	Jackson Memorial	Timber Creek
	III	Ramapo	Cranford	Rumson-Fair Haven	Delsea
	II	Mahwah	Madison	Raritan	Cedar Creek
	I	Verona	Hoboken	Shore Regional	Pennsville
2016	V	Ridgewood	Westfield	Piscataway	Millville
	VI	Wayne Hills	Sayreville War Memorial	Allentown	Timber Creek
	III	River Dell	Morris Hills	Rumson-Fair Haven	Wall Township
	II	Mahwah	Madison	Manasquan	West Deptford
	I	Hasbrouck Heights	Weequahic	Asbury Park	Paulsboro
2017	V	Montclair	Westfield	South Brunswick	Lenape
	VI	NV- Old Tappan	North Hunterdon	Long Branch	Shawnee
	III	River Dell	West Essex	Somerville	Delsea
	II	Newton	Rutherford	Hillside	Haddonfield
	I	Hasbrouck Heights	Malcolm X Shabazz	Middlesex	Paulsboro
2018	V	Ridgewood	Piscataway	Sayreville War Memorial	Williamstown
	VI	Wayne Hills	Phillipsburg	Long Branch	Shawnee
	III	Ramapo	Summit	Rumson-Fair Haven	Woodrow Wilson
	II	Kitatinny	Rutherford	Hillside	Haddonfield
	I	Butler	Hasbrouck Heights	Willingboro	Penns Grove
2019	V	Ridgewood	Union	Cherokee	Williamstown
	VI	Northern Highlands	Wayne Valley	Hammonton	Shawnee
	III	Ramapo	Parsippany Hills	Wall Township	Woodrow Wilson
	II	Lyndhurst	Verona	Cedar Creek	Hillside
	I	Boonton	Park Ridge	Willingboro	Penns Grove
2020	<i>Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Football Championships were not held.</i>				
2021	V	East Orange	Clifton	Hillsborough	Kingsway
	VI	Northern Highlands	Irvington	Winslow Township	Millville
	III	West Morris Central	Cranford	Woodrow Wilson	Cedar Creek
	II	James Caldwell	Jefferson	Haddonfield	Point Pleasant Boro
	I	Park Ridge	Cedar Grove	Salem	Woodbury
2022	V	Passaic Tech	West Orange	Edison	Toms River North
	VI	Northern Highlands	North Hunterdon	Mainland	Millville
	III	NV- Old Tappan	West Morris Central	Camden	Delsea
	II	Westwood	James Caldwell	Willingboro	Rumson-Fair Haven
	I	Mountain Lakes	Weequahic	Salem	Woodbury

**Sectional Champions - Public** *continued*

Year	Group	North I	North II	Central	South
2023	V	Passaic Tech	Union City	Toms River North	Cherokee
	VI	Ramapo	Mount Olive	Winslow Township	Mainland
	III	West Morris Central	West Essex	Camden	Delsea
	II	Westwood	Bernards	Willingboro	Rumson-Fair Haven
	I	Mountain Lakes	Malcolm X Shabazz	Glassboro	Woodstown

## Sectional Champions - Non-Public

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Year	Group	North	South
1974	NP A	*Seton Hall	*Holy Spirit
	NP B	*St. Joseph's (West New York)	*Bishop Eustace
	NP C	*Immaculate Conception (Montclair)	<i>no team qualified</i>
1975	NP A	DePaul Catholic Catholic	Holy Spirit
	NP B	Pope John XXIII	*St. Peter's (New Brunswick)
1976	NP A	Seton Hall	Red Bank Catholic
	NP B	St. Mary's (Rutherford)	*St. Joseph's (Toms River)
1977	NP A	Seton Hall	Holy Cross
	NP B	Immaculate Conception (Montclair)	*St. Joseph (Hammonton)
1978	NP A	Seton Hall	Holy Spirit
	NP B	Paul VI (Clifton)	Bishop Eustace
1979	NP A	Bergen Catholic	Camden Catholic
	NP B	Pope John XXIII	Gloucester Catholic
1980	NP A	Bergen Catholic	St. Mary's (Rutherford)
	NP B	St. John Vianney	Bishop Eustace
1981	NP A	Seton Hall	Paul VI (Haddonfield)
	NP B	Pope John XXIII	*St. James (Carney's Point)
1982	NP A	Bergen Catholic	Holy Cross
	NP B	Pope John XXIII	<i>no team qualified</i>
1983	NP A	Don Bosco Prep	Notre Dame
	NP B	Pope John XXIII	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
1984	NP A	Don Bosco Prep	Bishop Ahr
	NP B	Immaculata	St. Peter's (New Brunswick)
1985	NP A	Seton Hall	Bishop Ahr
	NP B	Immaculata	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
1986	NP A	Bergen Catholic	Bishop Ahr
	NP B	Pope John XXIII	Bishop Eustace
1987	NP A	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Holy Spirit
	NP B	Pope John XXIII	Bishop Eustace
1988	NP A	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Holy Spirit
	NP B	Pope John XXIII	Bishop Eustace
1989	NP A	St. Peter's Prep (Jersey City)	Notre Dame
	NP B	Pope John XXIII	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
1990	NP A	Don Bosco Prep	Holy Spirit
	NP B	Pope John XXIII	*St. Joseph (Hammonton)

**Sectional Champions - Non-Public *continued***

Year	Group	North	South
1991	NP A	Bergen Catholic	Holy Cross
	NP B	Pope John XXIII	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
1992	NP A	Bergen Catholic	Holy Cross
	NP B	DePaul Catholic Catholic	St. Joseph (Hammonton)

*\*In 1993, Non-Publics were divided into 4 groups.*

Year	Non-Public IV	Non-Public III	Non-Public II	Non-Public I
1993*	Bergen Catholic	Delbarton	Pope John XXIII	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
1994	St. Peter's Prep (Jersey City)	Immaculata	Marist	Im. Conception (Montclair)
1995	Bergen Catholic	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Pope John XXIII	St. Augustine Prep
1996	Bergen Catholic	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Pope John XXIII	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
1997	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Paramus Catholic	Pope John XXIII	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
1998	Bergen Catholic	Delbarton	Pope John XXIII	Im. Conception (Montclair)
1999	Bergen Catholic	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Paterson Catholic	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
2000	Holy Cross	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Paterson Catholic	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
2001	Bergen Catholic	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Pope John XXIII	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
2002	Don Bosco Prep	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Pope John XXIII	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
2003	Don Bosco Prep	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	St. Joseph (Hammonton)	Paterson Catholic
2004	Bergen Catholic	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Queen of Peace	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
2005	St. Peter's Prep (Jersey City)	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	St. Joseph (Hammonton)	Paterson Catholic
2006	Don Bosco Prep	Immaculata	St. Joseph (Hammonton)	St. Mary's (Rutherford)
2007	Don Bosco Prep	Holy Spirit	Holy Cross	Paterson Catholic
2008	Don Bosco Prep	Holy Spirit	Holy Cross	Paterson Catholic
2009	Don Bosco Prep	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	St. Joseph (Hammonton)	Paterson Catholic
2010	Don Bosco Prep	Holy Spirit	St. Joseph (Hammonton) <i>(Non-Public II - I Combined)</i>	
2011	Don Bosco Prep	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Holy Spirit	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
2012	Paramus Catholic	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Holy Spirit	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
2013	Paramus Catholic	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	DePaul Catholic	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
2014	St. Peter's Prep	Red Bank catholic	DePaul Catholic	St. Joseph (Hammonton)
2015	Don Bosco Prep	DePaul Catholic	St. Joseph(Hammonton)	n/a
2016	Paramus Catholic	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Mater Dei Prep	n/a
2017	Bergen Catholic	DePaul Catholic	St. Joseph (Hammonton)	n/a
2018	St. Joseph's (Montvale)	Red Bank Catholic	St. Joseph (Hammonton)	n/a
2019	St. Peter's Prep	DePaul Catholic	Holy Spirit	n/a
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## Sectional Champions - Non-Public *continued*

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Year	Non-Public A	Non-Public B
2021*	Bergen Catholic	Red Bank Catholic
2022	Bergen Catholic	DePaul Catholic

## Regional Champions

Year	Region	V	IV	III	II	I
2018	North	Piscataway	Wayne Hills	Ramapo	Rutherford	Hasbrouck Heights
	South	Sayreville	Long Branch	Rumson-Fair Haven	Haddonfield	Penns Grove
2019	North	Ridgewood	Wayne Valley	Ramapo	Verona	Park Ridge
	South	Williamstown	Shawnee	Woodrow Wilson	Hillside	Willingboro
2020	<i>Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Regional Championships were not held.</i>					
2021	North	East Orange	Irvington	West Morris Central	James Caldwell	Cedar Grove
	South	Hillsborough	Millville	Cedar Creek	Haddonfield	Salem

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### Summarizing competition of high and prep. schools in 1919.

Summarizing the results of the interscholastic football competition of New Jersey in 1919, the high school championship of the State was awarded to Barringer, of Newark, and the prep school title to Peddie Institute, of Hightstown. In the latter case it is a noteworthy fact that this was the fourth successive time that Peddie triumphed in the prep school division, a remarkable achievement for the coach of the Gold and Blue, Earl C. MacArthur. Incidentally Peddie had the distinction last year of triumphing in football over its arch rival, Lawrenceville, for the first time in the history of the schools' athletic relationship. The Lawrenceville School won the State championship in 1912 '13 and '14. The following year, 1915, saw Blair Academy mounting the championship pedestal. Since 1916 Peddie has reigned supreme on the prep school gridiron, its champion teams have been captained in turn by Jones, Riggan, Anderson and Ecker. The champion teams in 1919, as was the case the year before, were awarded handsome trophies donated by E.W. Siple, alumni secretary of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, who has shown interest in material form in the promotion of interscholastic competition in New Jersey.

Barringer and Peddie, as well as the schools judged sectional title winners, were officially awarded the State championship by decision of the executive board of the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association. In the high school division East Orange loomed up as a formidable contender for the State title up to the last game of the campaign.

The Red and Blue of East Orange had not only been undefeated up to that time, but its line had not been crossed by an opponent for a goal or touchdown. In the deciding game, however, East Orange had to lower its colors to Barringer, the score being 29 to 7 in favor of the Newark team. Barringer had previously lost a 7 to 0 game to Lawrenceville and was defeated, 21 to 0, by South Side, a game in which city league regulations deprived the losers of the services of four of their regular players, boys who were eligible in all other games. The season revealed two undefeated high schools teams-Rutherford and Brigeton-but none of those played schedule warranting a Class A championship rating. In the opinion of the executive board, empowered to pass judgment on the championship situation, Barringer was regarded best, of the high school teams and consequently awarded the State title.

Peddie clearly was master of the prep school division. The Hightstown team encountered one defeat, that by a 6 to 3 margin at the hands of Gullum Hall of West Point, but the MacArthur machine triumphed over Blair and Lawrenceville, besides winning over Pennington and Newark Junior College, and played scoreless ties against the Freshmen elevens of Princeton and the University of Pennsylvania. No other prep school team in the State equaled a record such as that. In the team rating Blair was graded second and Bordentown, third. The Military Institute team was placed a notch above Lawrenceville, having played through a difficult schedule and been scored upon by only one team. Easton defeated, Bordentown, 10 to 0. In the high school class East Orange was rated second and South Side of Newark third. The grading of the other schools, the first thirteen in the high school division Class A and B and the first eleven in the prep school class, is show in appended lists.

To give the "little fellows" a chance to shine and compete for championships in their respective classes, the schools were divided into Classes A, B and C, according to their male enrollment. In Class B, embracing schools with an enrollment between 100 and 300, Rutherford was awarded the championship of Northern New Jersey, Asbury Park in Central Jersey and Woodbury in South Jersey. Atlantic City and Camden were rated on a par for Class A supremacy in South Jersey. Only in South Jersey was there a Class C competition among schools holding membership in the State association. The title in that division was awarded to Wildwood.

NJSIAA Football History *continued*

**Gridiron Title Winners**

FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS FOR 1919

State Prep School.....Peddie  
 State High Schools.....Barringer

SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS HIGH SCHOOLS

North Jersey.....Barringer  
 Central Jersey.....Asbury Park  
 South Jersey...Tie Between Atlantic City and Camden

CLASS B - HIGH SCHOOLS

North Jersey.....Rutherford  
 Central Jersey.....Asbury Park  
 South Jersey.....Woodbury

CLASS C - HIGH SCHOOLS

South Jersey.....Wildwood  
 Only section represented in State Association

PREVIOUS CHAMPIONS OF STATE ASSOCIATION 1918

State Prep School.....Peddie  
 State High Schools.....Phillipsburg

PREVIOUS STATE CHAMPIONS (UNOFFICIAL)

Year	Prep Schools	High Schools
1917	Peddie	Tie between Trenton-Battin
1916	Peddie	Barringer
1915	Blair	Tie between Asbury Park-Rutherford
1914	Lawrenceville	Rahway
1913	Lawrenceville	Trenton
1912	Lawrenceville	East Orange

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RATING OF HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS, 1919

<b>Class A</b>	<b>Class B</b>
1. Barringer	1. Asbury Park
2. East Orange	2. Rutherford
3. South Side	3. Woodbury
4. Battin	4. Chattle
5. Phillipsburg	5. Dover
6. Atlantic City	6. Neptune
6. Camden	7. Summit
7. Trenton	8. Bloomfield
8. Passaic	9. Roselle
9. East Side	10. Flemington
10. New Brunswick	11. Irvington
11. Montclair	12. Bernards
12. Plainfield	13. Orange
13. Dickinson	

RATING OF PREP SCHOOL TEAMS, 1919

1. Peddie
2. Blair
3. Lawrenceville
4. Montclair
5. Kingsley
6. St. Benedict
7. Princeton Prep
8. Rutgers Prep
9. Pennington
10. Stevens School
11. Newark Academy