

3A SPECIAL DISTRICT 4

Riverside dominated the district in 2016 and should be the favorite to do so again in 2017. The top two teams earn a postseason berth.

Projected Finish

-  Riverside Pirates
-  Umatilla Vikings
-  Nyssa Bulldogs
-  Irrigon Knights

(Rankings based on coaches and media votes)

Riverside Pirates

Head coach: Francisco Velazquez, 6th year
Assistant coach: Jose Luis Duenas, 4th year
2016 season: 12-4-1 overall, 6-0 SD4; L to Catlin Gabel in 3A semifinals.
Returning starters: Quincy Castillo, M, sr.; Daniel Rodriguez, D, sr.; Luis Olvera, M, sr.; Kevin Altamirano, D, sr.; Kevin Madrigal, M, sr.; Misael Madrigal, F, sr.; Ulises Lopez, F, so.
Impact newcomers: Gerardo Lopez, F, fr.; Jose Peralta, M, sr.
Velazquez’s key to the season: “The key to a successful season is practice hard every day, also to fix our mistakes early in the season.”

2017 Schedule
Aug. 29 vs. La Grande 4 p.m.
Sept. 2 vs. Oreg. Episc. 1 p.m.
Sept. 9 vs. Catlin Gabel 1 p.m.
Sept. 12 at Port. Adv. 4 p.m.
Sept. 16 vs. Riverdale 1 p.m.
Sept. 18 at Prescott (WA) 4 p.m.
Sept. 22 at Umatilla* 7 p.m.
Sept. 26 vs. Mac-Hi 4 p.m.
Sept. 30 vs. Nyssa* 1 p.m.
Oct. 7 at Irrigon* 3 p.m.
Oct. 10 at Mac-Hi 4 p.m.
Oct. 14 vs. Umatilla* 1 p.m.
Oct. 16 vs. Prescott (WA) 4 p.m.
Oct. 21 at Nyssa* 4 p.m.
Oct. 27 vs. Irrigon* 4 p.m.
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Umatilla Vikings

Head coach: Pedro Ortiz, 13th year
2016 season: 7-5-2 overall, 3-2-1 SD4; lost to Portland Adventist in 3A first rnd.
Returning starters: Luis Castro, M, jr.; Jose Alaniz, D/M, so.; Elian Armenta, D, sr.
Other returning lettermen: Cesar De La Cruz, D, so.; Mark Quinonez, D, so.; Jose Arroyo, D, sr.
Impact newcomers: Cristian Alaniz, D/M, fr.; Jefri Coria, F, fr.
Ortiz’s key to the season: “Working as a team is what is going to make this team successful. There are of course players that shine more than others, but teamwork is above the individual play.”

2017 Schedule
Aug. 24 at Hermiston L 8-0
Aug. 29 at Mac-Hi 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 1 vs. Ore. Episc. 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 5 vs. Baker 5 p.m.
Sept. 7 at Colum. Christ. 4:15 p.m.
Sept. 15 vs. Riverdale 4:30 p.m.
Sept. 19 vs. La Grande 4 p.m.
Sept. 22 vs. Riverside* 7 p.m.
Sept. 29 vs. Irrigon* 5 p.m.
Oct. 3 at Baker 4:30 p.m.
Oct. 6 at Nyssa* 3 p.m.
Oct. 14 at Riverside* 1 p.m.
Oct. 21 at Irrigon* 3 p.m.
Oct. 27 vs. Nyssa* 4 p.m.
*-denotes league game

4A GREATER OREGON LEAGUE

The Greater Oregon League is shaping up to be highly competitive again this season after three teams had three league wins in 2016. Mac-Hi returns some key parts of its core and is gunning for another postseason berth.

McLoughlin
Pioneers

Head coach: Jose Garcia, 25th year
Assistant coach: Francisco Saldana, 2nd year
Key returners: Carlos Evangelista, M, sr.; Alex Albert Garcia, M, sr.; Alex Delgado, M, sr.; Adrian Martinez, M, sr.; Alexis Pio, M, soph.; Jesus Vela, GK, jr.

*-denotes league game

GIRLS SOCCER

5A COLUMBIA RIVER CONFERENCE

Hood River Valley and Hermiston ran away with the two postseason berths that the CRC holds last season, and will likely do the same as well this season. Pendleton returns numerous starters this year as it looks to gain some momentum in building the program.

Head coach: Paul Parker, 3rd year.
Assistant coach: Tyrel Burchard, 3rd year.
Return-ing starters: Megan Burchard, M, jr.; Samantha Parker, D, jr.; Lizzy Evans, M, sr.; Maggie Scanlon, F, jr.; Marin Kennedy, D, sr.; Tanna Stewart, D, soph.; Emma Florence, D, jr.; Uliyana Guerrero, GK, jr.
Other returners: Deedee Brumer, F/D, soph.; Ash-lynn Madrid, D, soph.

Irrigon Knights

Head coach: Paul Keefer, 4th year
Assistant coach: Luis Campos, 2nd year
2016 season: 6-4-1 overall, 2-3-1 EOL (3rd)
Key returners: Pedro Maciel, F, sr.; Alejandro Alvarez, M, sr.; Julio Bernal, D/M, sr.; Ruben Torres, M/GK, sr.; Steve Robles, GK.

*-denotes league game

Projected Finish

-  La Grande Tigers
-  Mac-Hi Pioneers
-  Ontario Tigers
-  Baker Bulldogs

2016 Final Standings

	Conf.	Overall
 La Grande*	4-1-1	12-3-1
 Ontario*	3-1-2	5-4-2
 Mac-Hi	3-2-1	8-7-1
 Baker	0-6	1-10-2

*-made playoffs



Staff photo by Kathy Aney
Mac-Hi’s Carlos Evangelista battles for the ball during a 2016 game against Hermiston. Evangelista returns to the Pioneers this sesaon.

Projected Finish

-  Hood River Eagles
-  Hermiston Bulldogs
-  The Dalles Riverhawks
-  Pendleton Buckaroos

(Rankings based on coaches and media votes)

2016 Final Standings

	Conf.	Ovr.
 Hood River*	6-0	11-4
 Hermiston*	4-2	8-8
 The Dalles	2-4	5-10
 Pendleton	0-6	0-13

*-made postseason

Pendleton
Buckaroos

Head coach: Paul Parker, 3rd year.
Assistant coach: Tyrel Burchard, 3rd year.
Return-ing starters: Megan Burchard, M, jr.; Samantha Parker, D, jr.; Lizzy Evans, M, sr.; Maggie Scanlon, F, jr.; Marin Kennedy, D, sr.; Tanna Stewart, D, soph.; Emma Florence, D, jr.; Uliyana Guerrero, GK, jr.
Other returners: Deedee Brumer, F/D, soph.; Ash-lynn Madrid, D, soph.

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Hermiston
Bulldogs

Head coach: Danielle MacBride, 6th year
Assistant coaches: David Wattenburger, 7th year
Returning starters: Lanie Gomez, GK, so.; Cydney Ling, D, so.; Lesley Risueno, D, sr.; Quinn Latham, D, sr.; McKayla Pacheco, M, sr.; Hannah Thompson, D/F, sr.
Other returning lettermen: Heidi Fuentes, M, sr.; Kali Torres, M, sr.; Flor Cadenas, F, sr.
Impact newcomers: Jayden Ray, M, fr.; Amanda Nygard, M/F, fr.; Jael Fuentes, M, fr.; Elsa Torres, F, jr.; Daniela Rodriguez, D, sr.; Adriana Rodriguez, M, sr.
Primary goals for the season: Despite losing

a strong group of girls to graduation, MacBride is hoping the 2017 team will continue to progress and carry on the tradition of commitment, hard work and competition.
MacBride’s key to a successful season: “Leadership. Commitment. Outworking our opponent.”
Team’s biggest strengths: MacBride notes the biggest strengths are having a younger team with athletes who are eager to learn and easily coachable. She also noted that this year’s team has girls that are true athletes: strong, fast and capable to play anywhere on the field.

2017 Schedule

Aug. 24	vs. Umatilla	W 1-0
Aug. 28	at Mac-Hi	3 p.m.
Aug. 30	vs. La Grande	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 5	at Century	7 p.m.
Sept. 9	vs. Putnam	Noon
Sept. 12	at Hillsboro	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 15	at St. Helens	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 21	vs. Sandy	6 p.m.
Sept. 26	at The Dalles*	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 3	vs. Hood River*	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 10	vs. Pendleton*	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 12	vs. The Dalles*	7 p.m.
Oct. 17	at Hood River*	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 24	at Pendleton*	6 p.m.

*-league game

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