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## **Expanded Connecticut High School Football Alliance Returns for the 2026 Season with 122 Games**

A total of 137 teams, including 132 representing all eight Connecticut high school football leagues and one independent (Amistad), along with three Rhode Island schools (Bishop Hendricken, North Kingstown and Westerly), one Massachusetts team (Shepherd Hill Regional) and one school from Pennsylvania (Scranton Prep) will participate in the Connecticut High School Football Alliance during the upcoming 2026 season.

All told, the Alliance scheduled a total of 122 games.

Representatives from each of the eight Connecticut football leagues recently participated in two scheduling meetings to develop and confirm the 2026 schedule. With all leagues participating, week #2 (Sept. 18-19) was designated as the “Alliance Week” with 66 matchups. Week #4 had the next most games with 29.

The 66 “week two” matchups were determined based on the teams’ final CIAC playoff finish during the 2025 regular-season with three groupings (Classes LL-L, MM-M and SS-S). Just one of the week 2 games is a “same league” matchup (Lyman Hall vs. Branford, SCC).

There are additional “Alliance” games in other weeks (1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11) due to the independent team (Amistad) needing games as well as openings caused by various league needs (membership imbalances or openings caused by pre-existing Thanksgiving week matchups) or a need to find more competitive match ups for teams that their individual leagues could not accommodate through their respective conference schedules.

### **2026 Connecticut High School Football Alliance League Representation**

Amistad (independent)

Central Connecticut Conference (CCC) – [www.CentralConnecticutConference.org](http://www.CentralConnecticutConference.org)

Connecticut Technical Conference – <https://www.cttech.org/athletics/>

Eastern Connecticut Conference – [www.eccathletics.org](http://www.eccathletics.org)

Fairfield County Interscholastic Athletic Conference (FCIAC) – [www.fciac.net](http://www.fciac.net)

Naugatuck Valley League – no website

Pequot Football Conference – no website

Southern Connecticut Conference – [www.SouthernConnecticutConference.org](http://www.SouthernConnecticutConference.org)

South West Conference - [www.swcsportscenter.com](http://www.swcsportscenter.com)

### **History of the CT HS FB Alliance**

- This is the ninth year the Connecticut High School Football Alliance has scheduled football games. Since 2017, the Alliance has scheduled 651 games.
- Starting in 2026, the Pequot Football Conference becomes the eighth football conference to join the Alliance. In 2025, the Naugatuck Valley League joined the Alliance along with independents Amistad and Nonnewaug co-op. Nonnewaug will join the NVL for the 2026 season.
- In the 2017 and 2018 seasons, the SCC, SWC and ECC scheduled a total of 66 games. In 2019, 94 games were scheduled with teams from the ECC, SCC, SWC, FCIAC and CCC.
- After the cancellation of the 2020 football season, the Alliance returned in 2021 with 93 games played. In 2022, the Alliance scheduled 89 games with the five leagues and five additional teams from the Connecticut Technical Conference joining. In 2023, the Alliance scheduled 88 games with six leagues participating. In 2024, the Alliance scheduled 101 games.
- In 2025, the Alliance scheduled 120 games (though six match ups were with teams from the same league). The FCIAC had the best record (23-10, .696), followed by the ECC (16-12, .571) and SWC (17-13, .567).
- Since 2017, the SCC has played the most Alliance games (376 games; 203-173 record, .540), followed by the SWC (255 games, 131-124, .514). The FCIAC has the best winning percentage (102-72, .586).
- Teams that participate in Alliance games have reaped the benefits of competitive regular season scheduling. In 2025, all six state champions played at least one Alliance contest during the regular season. Three leagues each won two state titles -- FCIAC (Greenwich, New Canaan), SCC (Daniel Hand, Sheehan) and CCC (Windsor, Berlin).
- Since 2019, 57 Alliance teams (out of 64 total, 89.1%) have appeared in state championship games. Alliance teams have won 29 state titles (won by 18 different schools) representing the CCC, ECC, FCIAC, SCC and SWC) in those 32 games.

## **2026 Connecticut High School Football Alliance Week-by-Week Schedule**

Please note: *Game times will be determined in late spring.*

### **Week 1 (9 games)**

Killingly at Sheehan  
Lyman Hall at Ledyard  
Wilbur Cross at Windham  
Daniel Hand at Bishop Hendricken (RI)  
NFA at Westerly (RI)  
Wilcox/Kaynor at Amistad  
Joel Barlow at New London  
Weston at Montville  
Fairfield Prep at Scranton Prep (PA)

### **Week 2 (66 games)**

Fairfield Prep at New Canaan  
Greenwich at New Britain  
Southington at Newtown  
Glastonbury at Cheshire  
Enfield at Fairfield Ludlowe  
Ridgefield at Maloney  
Darien at NFA  
Staples at South Windsor  
Amity at Platt  
West Haven at Norwalk  
ND-West Haven at Naugatuck  
Farmington at Fairfield Warde  
Hall at Shelton  
Trumbull at Crosby  
Conard at Hamden  
Harding at Kennedy  
McMahon at Manchester  
Hillhouse at East Hartford  
Bassick at Stamford  
Westhill at Wilbur Cross  
Wilby at Bridgeport Central  
Windsor at St. Joseph  
Berlin at Wilton  
Guilford at Rockville  
Bunnell at Newington  
Holy Cross at Brookfield  
WCA at Middletown  
Torrington at Fitch

Branford at Lyman Hall  
Wethersfield at Pomperaug  
North Haven at Masuk  
Stratford at Xavier  
ND Prep at East Lyme  
Bristol Central at Woodstock Academy  
New London at E.O. Smith  
East Haven at Bethel  
Watertown at Simsbury  
Bristol Eastern at New Milford  
Woodland at Killingly  
Nonnewaug at Daniel Hand  
North Branford at Seymour  
Sheehan at Cromwell-Portland  
Northwest Catholic at Jonathan Law  
Hartford Co-op at Ansonia  
Bloomfield at ATI  
Ledyard at Platt Tech  
Waterford at New Fairfield  
Valley Regional at Wilcox-Kaynor  
Griswold at Ellington  
Valley Panthers at CREC  
Plainville at Joel Barlow  
Granby at GNH  
Haddam Killingworth at Oxford  
Rocky Hill at Cheney Tech  
Stafford-EW-Somers at Prince Tech  
Stonington at Foran  
Bacon Academy at Wolcott  
East Catholic at Weston  
Derby at Cuginchaug-EH-Hale Ray  
Bullard Havens at Montville  
Avon/St Paul at Capital Prep  
Morgan-Saybrook-Westbrook at Lewis Mills  
Windsor Locks-Suffield-East Granby at O'Brien Tech  
Windham at Tolland  
Amistad at SMSA  
VG Titans at RHAM

**Week 3 (1 game)**

O'Brien Tech at Amistad

**Week 4 (29 games)**

Bridgeport Central at Bassick

Westhill at Harding  
Shelton at Trumbull  
Norwalk at Notre Dame-West Haven  
Newtown at Greenwich  
New Canaan at New Britain  
Cheshire at Staples  
Fairfield Ludlowe at West Haven  
Masuk at South Windsor  
Manchester at Darien  
St. Joseph at Glastonbury  
Wilton at Southington  
North Haven at Berlin  
Brookfield at Guilford  
Platt at Sheehan  
Hillhouse at Brien McMahon  
Jonathan Law at Bristol Central  
Weston at Avon  
Joel Barlow at Branford  
Fairfield Warde at Amity Regional  
New Milford at Lyman Hall  
Bethel at East Lyme  
Xavier at Notre Dame Prep  
Stamford at Stratford  
Lewis Mills at Griswold  
New Fairfield at NW Catholic  
Windham at East Catholic  
Bishop Hendricken (RI) at NFA  
Amistad at Bacon Academy

**Week 5 (1 game)**

Shepherd Hill Regional (MA) at NFA

**Week 6 (2 games)**

Branford at Ledyard  
Amistad at TRC

**Week 7 (5 games)**

Foran at East Lyme  
Hamden at Ledyard  
Griswold at Wilbur Cross  
Valley Panthers at East Haven  
Cheney Tech at Westhill

**Week 8 (3 games)**

Fitch at North Kingstown (RI)  
Platt Tech at New Milford  
Amistad at New Fairfield

**Week 9 (1 game)**

Amistad at Prince Tech

**Week 10 (2 games)**

VGW at Wilbur Cross  
Amistad at Hillhouse

**Week 11 (3 games)**

Killingly at North Haven  
New Britain at West Haven  
Amistad at East Haven

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