

2019-2020 Trivia Questions for Athletic Website

Question #1 (to be published September 2)

Which City Conference girl's tennis team holds the record for most consecutive conference wins?

Harding, the five-time defending champion, has 31 straight conference wins (which includes its win over Johnson last week) – but that's only the third best ever. Second best is Central's 33 in a row between 2002-2007. The record belongs to Hill-Murray, who won a record 55 in a row during the 1979-1986 seasons (Hill-Murray was part of our conference for ten years from 1978-1987).

Question #2 (to be published September 9)

When was the last time there was a tie game involving a conference football team?

On October 10, 1969, Highland Park and Winsted Holy Trinity played to a 0-0 non-conference tie. Beginning in 1973, overtime was used to break all ties.

Question #3 (to be published September 16)

Which volleyball coach, past or present, has worked the most number of seasons in the City Conference?

That honor is shared by two coaches. Donna Gregory with Washington (1972-1978) and then with Como Park (1979-1982/1987-2004) and Kathleen Ryan-Kramer of Highland Park (1989-2017) spent 29 years as volleyball coaches in St. Paul.

Question #4 (to be published September 23)

Which boy's or girl's soccer team had the most number of tie matches during a conference season?

The Central boy's soccer team tied five of the twelve conference matches it played in 2013. The Minutemen finished the conference season with a 6-1-5 record. Although they only lost one city match, they finished in third place (those ties proved to be very costly).

Question #5 (to be published September 30)

What is the largest crowd to ever witness a conference football game?

A record 12,165 saw Harding defeat Washington 25-14 at Central Stadium on October 30, 1946. That win for the Maroons (Harding's nickname before they became the Knights) propelled them to the conference title that year.

Question #6 (to be published October 7)

The soccer playoffs begin this week. Which past St. Paul Public School teams have qualified for the boy's and girl's State Tournament?

In boy's competition, Como Park has been to the most State Tournaments with five, capturing St. Paul's only state soccer title in 2013. Central has been to the tournament twice, most recently as last year when the Minutemen were the third place team in Class AA. The schools with one appearance are Humboldt (2011) and Harding (2017). No St. Paul girl's team has ever qualified for the State Tournament.

Question #7 (to be published October 14)

Which St. Paul high school fall sporting activity ceased to exist after 1976?

Boy's gymnastics, a sport that started in St. Paul in 1933, was traditionally held in the wintertime. After the 1975-1976 winter season, because of limited space for practice and meets, the season was moved to the fall. On November 24, 1976, the last boy's gymnastics meets were held in St. Paul. The MSHSL dropped boy's gymnastics as a sport after the 1991 fall season.

Question #8 (to be published October 21)

The conference girl's swim meet is this week. Which city meet record has held up for the longest amount of time?

In 1995, Highland Park/SPA's Maya Hamilton swam the grueling 500 freestyle in 5:11.06. It has remained the record for 24 years.

Question #9 (to be published October 28)

With the State Cross-Country Meet on Saturday of this week, has there ever been a boy's and/or girl's individual state champion from St. Paul?

There have been three past champions from St. Paul Schools. Paula Class from Highland Park in 1976 is the lone female champion. Past boy's winners were Jim Schlaeppi from Central in 1954 and the 1965 champ was Monroe's Pat Kelly.
