



Kentucky High School Athletic Association

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Sports News

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STATE WRESTLING THIS WEEK

The 2008 KHSAA State Wrestling Championships are slated for this Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 14-16, at the Frankfort Convention Complex. Action begins Thursday at noon with 32 wrestlers in 14 weight classes squaring off to battle for a title.

General Admission tickets are \$7 per session. An all-session ticket will be available for \$22. Children under six will be admitted free.

Following are the sessions:

Thursday, Feb. 14

Gates Open for Fans – 11 a.m.

Session 1 – 12 p.m. (First Round; Second Round weight classes 103/105 through 140/142)

Friday, Feb. 15

Gates Open for Fans – 8:30 a.m.

Session 2 – 9 a.m. (remainder second round championship bracket; first round consolation bracket)

Gates open for Fans – 3:30 p.m.

Session 3 – 4 p.m. (second round consolation; third round championship; third round consolation)

Saturday, Feb. 16

Gates Open for Fans – 8:30 a.m.

Session 4 – 9 a.m. (fourth round consolation; fourth round championship; fifth round consolation; sixth round consolation)

Gates Open for Fans – 3 p.m.

Session 5 – 3:30 p.m. Consolation Bracket Finals (3rd, 5th and 7th place matches)

6:30 p.m. – State Championship Opening Ceremonies

7 p.m. – State Championship Finals (14 classes)

Entries are now online at www.khsaa.org/wrestling.

NATIONAL CITY TROPHY TOUR

The 2008 National City/KHSAA Boys' Basketball Trophy Tour comes to a close this Tuesday with the Rose Hill vs. Ashland Blazer game to be played at Russell High School. The State Championship Trophy will have visited eight sites this year.

On the tour, students are able to pick up scholarship application forms (forms may also be accessed through the KHSAA website). Again this year, 16 boys and 16 girls (one boy and one girl from each region) will receive a one-time \$1,000 scholarship courtesy of National City.

Scholarship recipients will be honored with a reception prior to the Championship game of the National City/KHSAA Boys' Sweet 16® as well as being recognized on the floor during the contest. The scholarship application deadline is Friday, Feb. 22. For additional information, contact Butch Cope at the KHSAA.

Following is a list of the remaining trophy tour stops:

Feb. 12 Rose Hill vs. Ashland Blazer at Russell High School.

Back for a second year is the website (www.sweet-16.org) created around the Sweet 16®. This site, aimed at reaching the high school market, allows students to post photos, videos, view past scholarship winners, download a scholarship application, check scores and will include student blogs during the Sweet 16®.

BASKETBALL TICKETS

Tickets to the 2008 National City/KHSAA Boys' and Houchens/KHSAA Girls' State Basketball Tournaments continue to be on sale through the KHSAA office and online at khsaa.org. At this time, only full tournament sets of tickets (one ticket to each of the eight sessions) are available. Lower arena seats are priced at \$116 each and upper arena seats are priced at \$66 each. Tickets will be on sale through the KHSAA until Feb. 22. Beginning March 2, tickets will only be available through the Rupp Arena (boys) and Diddle Arena (girls) box offices and/or the venue's respective online ticketing agent.

Individual session tickets for the boys' event are now on sale through ticketmaster.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS

Feb. 14-16 State Wrestling Championships, Frankfort Convention Complex

Feb. 18 KHSAA Special Board of Control Meeting, Lexington

Feb. 25-March 1 District Basketball Tournaments

March 3-8 Regional Girls' Basketball Tournaments

March 3-11 Regional Boys' Basketball Tournaments

March 14 KHSAA Special Board of Control Meeting, Bowling Green

March 12-15 Houchens/KHSAA Girls' State Basketball Tournament, WKU, Bowling Green

March 19-22 National City/KHSAA Boys' State Basketball Tournament, Rupp Arena, Lexington

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About the Kentucky High School Athletic Association

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association was organized in 1917 and is the agency designated by the Kentucky Department of Education to manage high school athletics in the Commonwealth. The Association is a voluntary nonprofit 501 3(c) organization made up of 280 member schools both public and private. The KHSAA sanctions state championships in 19 sports, licenses and trains over 3,900 officials, provides catastrophic insurance for its member school student athletes as well as overseeing coaching education and medical symposium programs.