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PANNELL SWIM SHOP/KHSAA SWIMMING AND DIVING STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS THIS WEEK

A total of 830 competitors will converge on the Ralph Wright Natatorium on the campus of the University of Louisville this week for the 2012 Pannell Swim Shop/KHSAA Swimming and Diving State Championships.

The three-day event opens with boys' diving preliminaries on Thursday afternoon. Swimming and diving preliminaries will take place on Thursday and Friday while the championship heat in each event will take place on Saturday. Twelve boys and 12 girls' events will be contested.

Thursday's diving gets underway at 6 p.m. There will be two sessions each on Friday and Saturday, with boys' events starting at 10 a.m. each day. Girls' swimming and diving preliminaries will begin at 3:30 p.m. on Friday with the finals at 4:15 p.m. on Saturday.

St. Xavier is the defending boys' team champion, while Sacred Heart is the defending girls' champion. A complete schedule of events, as well as a roster of competitors for each event, is available at http://www.khsaa.org/swimming/2012/.

Tickets are available at the door for \$10 per session except for Thursday's diving preliminaries, which cost \$5. The entire event also will be broadcast live on <u>www.khsaa.tv</u>.

PRESS CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY

A press conference has been scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 10:30 a.m. at the KHSAA Office in Lexington. Commissioner Julian Tackett will address media members and explain an emerging outdoor sportactivity offering that will begin during the 2012-13 school year.

BASKETBALL TICKETS ON SALE NOW

Tickets to the 2012 PNC/KHSAA Boys' and Houchens Industries/KHSAA Girls' State Basketball Tournaments are on sale through the KHSAA office and online at <u>khsaa.org</u>. Both full tournament sets of tickets (one ticket to each of the eight sessions) and single session seats are available. Lower arena seats are priced at \$120 each and upper arena seats are priced at \$70 each. Full session sales will end on February 24, 2012.

STATE BASKETBALL MEDIA CREDENTIAL REQUEST FORMS NOW AVAILABLE

Media credential request forms for the 2012 Houchens Industries/KHSAA Girls Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournament and 2012 PNC/KHSAA Boys' Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournament are available at http://credentials.khsaa.org.

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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 279 member schools both public and private. The KHSAA sanctions state championships in 21 sports, licenses and trains over 4,100 officials, provides catastrophic insurance for its member school student athletes and oversees coaching education and medical symposium programs.

