



**2010 PNC/KHSAA BOYS' SWEET 16®  
STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**

**March 17-20  
Rupp Arena • Lexington**

**TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS**

The KHSAA Tournament Headquarters is located in the Thoroughbred Room 1 at the Lexington Center in Lexington. You may call the headquarters at (859) 225-1002 or (859) 225-1004. The headquarters will be open Tuesday (8 a.m. – 6 p.m.), Wednesday and Thursday morning. All issuing of credentials on Wednesday and Thursday will take place at the MEDIA WILL CALL (Cox Street Entrance) of Rupp Arena.

**TITLE SPONSOR**

This is a reminder that PNC is the new official title sponsor of the Boys' Tournament. Elements of the sponsorship include a Trophy Tour of the State Championship trophy at branches and games throughout the state and 32 \$1000 scholarships (one to a boy and girl from each of the 16 basketball regions). Winners will be recognized during the championship game. In addition, PNC sponsored the District and Regional Tournament championship trophies.

Finally, please remember the official tournament reference is PNC/KHSAA Boys' Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournament or PNC/KHSAA Sweet 16® for short and should be used by outlets credentialed by the KHSAA for the event. Simply referencing the event as the "Sweet 16®" is incorrect.

To create the ® symbol in written documents referencing the tournament, press 0174 while holding down the ALT key.

**PNC SCHOLARSHIPS**

Following are the recipients of the PNC scholarships. Recognition will take place during the first game in which the regional winner's representative plays.

Region	Boy Recipient	Girl Recipient
1	Kristen Jackson (Paducah Tilghman)	Ellexis Gurrola (Lone Oak)
2	Timothy Perdue (Lyon County)	Taylor Crawley (Hopkins County Central)
3	Zachary Mitchell (Apollo)	Alexis Hobbs (Meade County)
4	Shathan McCoy (Metcalfe County)	Jessica Starnes (Clinton County)
5	Christopher May (Fort Knox)	Kamika Joyner (Fort Knox)
6	Brandon Ritchie (DeSales)	Caroline Seger (Presentation)
7	Kameron Mason (Male)	Kaylia Robertson (Waggener)
8	Allen Warford (Anderson County)	Sandy Zhang (Anderson County)
9	Brandon Trame (Holy Cross (Covington))	Abby Beausir (Beechwood)
10	William Murphy (Mason County)	Karlie Smith (Bracken County)
11	James Witt (Model)	Caroline Smith (Henry Clay)
12	David Elliott (West Jessamine)	Kristin Floyd (Somerset)
13	Jimmy Hall (Knox Central)	Rhyan Martin (Middlesboro)
14	Deron Terrill (Wolfe County)	Jodi Dawes (Estill County)
15	Zachary LeMaster (Prestonsburg)	Destiny Key (Belfry)
16	Ryan Holbrook (Fairview)	Lindsey Hale (Menifee County)

**MEDIA CREDENTIALS**

Credentials to the 2010 PNC/KHSAA Boys' State Basketball Tournament are non-transferable. Credentials are issued in the person's name in which it was granted (photo identification required) and is valid for one day only. Media members will individually sign in at the Media Will Call entrance of Rupp Arena each day. Please notify tournament headquarters or a member of the tournament staff if there is a name change in a credential request.

## **PRESS ROW - PHOTO PASSES**

Press Row and the scorer's tables, as well as areas marked for photographers and videographers are reserved for working media only. Do not sit in seats which are designated for other outlets. Seating charts are posted throughout floor level for your reference.

ABSOLUTELY no cheering, coaching or clapping (or contesting officials' calls) will be permitted in working media areas. Those members violating this policy will lose all press row privileges.

Media credentials are non-transferable. Media members allowing children, students, acquaintances or non-working media members to utilize these passes will lose all media privileges to cover KHSAA events in the future.

## **PHOTO GUIDELINES**

All still photographers/videographers must utilize the marked areas in the end zones and the sideline adjacent to press row from the bottom of the foul circle to the baseline. Photographers/videographers must stay seated on the floor. Please stay off the playing floor during timeouts. Team bench areas are off limits at all times.

No tripods are allowed to be used in the arena during the games. Any use must be approved by Sports Information Director Elden May. Anyone wishing to attach a camera to the goal post MUST have prior approval from the KHSAA and the Lexington Center.

No "flash" cameras may be used on floor level.

Television "live shots" are to be conducted prior to or at the conclusion of each session. ABSOLUTELY NO MERCURY LIGHTS ARE TO BE POINTED IN THE DIRECTION OF THE PLAYING FLOOR FROM ANYWHERE WITHIN THE ARENA WHILE PLAY IS IN PROGRESS.

## **INTERVIEWS**

Lockerrooms and the back hallway are closed to the media during the tournament. Following a brief cooling off period after each game -- five minutes -- the winning coach and selected players will be escorted to the interview area. Exit the arena under Sections 25-26 and turn to the right. The losing coach and players will follow. TV stations wishing to do one-on-one interviews will be afforded the opportunity AFTER the coaches/players visit the area. These should take place outside the the player/coach entrance to the interview area.

ABSOLUTELY no interviews, especially radio, are to be conducted on the floor immediately following the conclusion of the game. All coaches/athletes MUST report to the interview area prior to doing any post game radio/tv interviews.

## **WEEKLY PAPERS**

Due to space limitations, weekly papers are asked to rotate seating during games involving teams from their coverage area. A reserved press row seat for the entire tournament is not available to weekly media outlets. Four seats on press row will be marked "Weekly Papers". You may sit in these seats during your game, but to accommodate others, we ask that you return to the auxiliary seating in the upper press row located at the bottom of Sections 230-231-232.

## **NON-ORIGINATING RADIO**

Radio stations that are not originating a broadcast of the tournament are to utilize auxiliary press seating located at the bottom of Sections 230-231-232. If these areas are full, seating is available in Section 212. There are no reserved seats for non-originating radio stations on press row.

## **PARKING**

The Kentucky High School Athletic Association does not provide media parking for the tournament. Media parking passes may be purchased through the Rupp Arena box office at a reduced rate.

## **RESULTS**

Results including box score and play-by-play from each game will be available in the media work room. Results will also be available via the KHSAA Web site ([www.khsaa.org](http://www.khsaa.org)).

Live stats as well as a webcast of each contest will be available through [www.cybersportsusa.com](http://www.cybersportsusa.com) or by accessing the link from the KHSAA Web site (<http://www.khsaa.org/links/cyberstatsb2010.htm>).

## **MEDIA WORKROOM/HOSPITALITY**

The media workroom is located next to the interview area. Courtesy phone lines are available to transmit. Exit the floor level under Sections 25-26 and turn to the right. At sign-in, media members will be issued a hospitality meal card. This pass is good for the pre-game meal served one hour prior to tip-off of the first game of each session. Please keep the card for the

entire tournament. Your credential will admit you to the general hospitality (soda, chips, etc.) room which will be open throughout the tournament.

### **HOME TEAM**

The team listed at the top of the bracket will be the home team and use the bench on the right hand side facing the scorer's table. Those teams will wear their white or light colored jerseys.

### **HALFTIME**

Halftime will be 15 minutes for all games. There will be a minimum of 25 minutes between games.

### **PROGRAMS SALES**

The official 93rd State Basketball Tournament souvenir program is on sale throughout Rupp Arena for \$6. The program includes roster information as well as state and tournament records. Programs may also be ordered by mail (\$8, includes postage/handling) or through the KHSAA Web site ([www.khsaa.org](http://www.khsaa.org)). To order by mail, send a check or money order, payable to KHSAA to, 2280 Executive Drive, Lexington, KY, 40505.

### **OFFICIALS**

A listing of this year's group of officials is printed in the souvenir program on page 33.

### **NATIONAL ANTHEM**

Following is a schedule of those who will be singing the national anthem throughout the tournament.

*Session 1* - Wednesday Afternoon – Jenny Beth Willis, an eighth-grader at Owensboro Catholic Middle School

*Session 2* - Wednesday Evening – Sheldon Clark High School quartet (Cara Preece, Cori Fitch, Sean Craig Preece and Craig Preece).

*Session 3* - Thursday Afternoon – McKenzie Wyatt, a sophomore at Montgomery County High School

*Session 4* - Thursday Evening – Tyra Short, a seventh-grader at June Buchanan School

*Session 5* - Friday Afternoon – McCreary Central High School Trio (Heidi Douglas, Joseph Clark and Zack Day)

*Session 6* - Friday Evening – Alyson Kennon, a senior at Pikeville High School

*Session 7* - Saturday Morning – Franklin County High School Quintet (Robert Bosworth, Sam Themer, Derek Roberts, Nick Johnson and Daniel Barber)

*Session 8* - Saturday Evening – Perry County Central High School Honor Choir

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Following is a schedule of presentations to be made during the tournament.

The Kentucky Association of Basketball Coaches will honor its regional coaches and players of the year at halftime of the first game.

*Session 5*

Friday afternoon at halftime of the first game

The Kentucky Association of Basketball Coaches will recognize its annual regional players and coaches of the year.

Friday afternoon at halftime of the second game

The Kentucky Association of Basketball Coaches will recognize its Coaches Court of Honor inductees.

*Session 6*

Friday Evening at halftime of the first game

The KHSAA will recognize the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Hopkinsville winning the state tournament.

KAPOS Sweet 16® Cheerleading Awards

*Session 8*

Saturday Evening

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 1960 Flaget State Championship team will be recognized.

In addition, at the end of the third quarter of the first game of each session, the KHSAA will welcome back and recognize a "Sweet 16® Legend."

### **ON THE AIR/NET**

All games of the 2010 PNC/KHSAA Boys' State Basketball Tournament can be heard locally on WVLK Radio (590 AM), the Lexington flagship of the KU/KHSAA Radio Network. In addition, all games can be heard on the Internet at [www.khsaa.net](http://www.khsaa.net).

Follow live post game press conferences and video streaming on [khsaa.tv](http://khsaa.tv) and [khsaa.ihigh.com](http://khsaa.ihigh.com). Tournament games will be shown on a 12-hour delay until the championship game, which will be broadcast live.

### **CHAMPIONSHIP GAME ON LIVE TV**

WKYT-TV will be producing and distributing live the State Championship game. The game will be available on CWKYT-TV in Lexington, WBKO in Bowling Green and WYMT in Hazard. The game will also be available on Insight in the Louisville and Northern Kentucky markets, as well as across the south on Comcast SportsSoutheast.

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**R4-Warren Central (22-8)**

(All-Times Eastern & Local To Site – Top Team In Bracket Will Be The Home Team)







## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Paducah Tilghman (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
15	Kris Jackson	Kris Jackson	2.3	5.5
22	J.B. Harmon	J.B. Harmon	3.4	13.1
25	Trevonte Cole	Trevonte Cole	1.8	11.4
33	Josh Forrest	Josh Forrest	8.5	14.7
50	Dejaun Edmonds	Dejaun Edmonds	5.1	5.2

### Coach's Comments

<b>Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:</b>
I'm really proud of the kids for advancing to our third Sweet 16 in four years. We won 22 out of 23 games against regional opponents.

### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
32	J.D. Harmon	J.D. Harmon	4.0	10.5
12	Cody Schultz	Cody Schultz	0.2	2.5
42	Chaveon Harper	Chaveon Harper	2.3	1.7

### Coach's Comments

<b>What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:</b>
We are a perimeter oriented team that likes to attack the basket and play solid defense. We have a deep team that can play up to 10 players.





## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Christian County (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
23	Anthony Hickey	Guard	5.0	15.3
5	Tre Gayle	Guard	2.4	7.8
33	Donovan Kates	Guard	5.4	15.0
11	Shaquille Wilson	Forward	4.6	11.6
15	Marcoreyon Tandy	Forward	3.6	5.4

### Coach's Comments

<b>Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:</b>
This is our 2nd consecutive trip to the state tournament and the 4th in the last 5 yeras. We are coming in 29-4 after playing a tough schedule and putting a lot of miles on the road.

### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
3	Veontae Lewis	Guard	3.6	12.6
31	Malcolm McDuffen	Forward	1.9	2.9
45	Jermichael Ray	Forward	2.4	2.6

### Coach's Comments

<b>What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:</b>
The keys to our success all year will be the same keys for us in this tournament. We have been winning the rebounding battle, forcing the tempo, and relying on our depth. We have a group of experienced players who enjoy playing together and we have had different guys step up to make big plays at key moments. Anthony Hickey, 2nd Region POY, has been a steady leader with his playmaking ability on both ends of the floor. All region tournament performers Hickey, Shaquille Wilson, Donovan Kates, and Tre Gayle all made big plays at different moments on our road to Rupp. We also have had tremendous production from our bench including 6th man Veontae Lewis.







## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Muhlenberg County (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
11	Josh Hawkins	Guard	1.6	7.6
15	Tiger Warford	Guard	3.0	7.6
35	Joe Gabbard	Guard	6.4	19.9
34	Grant Warford	F	7.2	8.5
55	Lemon Gregory	C	3.8	5.0

### Coach's Comments

<b>Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:</b> With the merger of two competing schools it was a great first year accomplishments for the kids and the county.
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### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
22	Mike Civils	G	1.0	10.9
40	Colby Joe Carver	G/F	0.9	2.6
30	Jake Griffin	G	0.0	1.8

### Coach's Comments

<b>What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:</b> We must defend our positions and rebound the basketball. When we do those things we are successful.
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# PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Warren Central

## Player Stat Information

**Head Coach: Tim Riley**

**Record (going into Tournament): 22-8**

No.	Player	GP	Total FGM	Total FGA	Total FG%	3FGM Only	3FGA Only	3FG% Only	FTM	FTA	FT%	A	S	B	Total REB	REB Avg.	Total PTS	PTS Avg.
1	Troy Halcomb	30	101	225	44.9%	4	21	19.0%	74	124	59.7%	154	64	22	130	4.3	280	9.3
2	Denzel Carpenter	30	33	82	40.2%	4	11	36.4%	17	23	73.9%	36	15	1	64	2.1	87	2.9
3	Shamarcus Wells	30	98	180	54.4%	0	2	0.0%	42	67	62.7%	46	32	3	217	7.2	238	7.9
4	Martez Boards	30	54	101	53.5%	1	3	33.3%	26	44	59.1%	17	15	3	78	2.6	135	4.5
5	Brett Jackson	30	61	108	56.5%	0	0	0.0%	28	58	48.3%	9	11	27	85	2.8	150	5.0
10	Trevor Lowe	6	1	2	50.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0.0	2	0.3
11	Steven Maresca	5	0	3	0.0%	0	2	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	1	0	0	2	0.4	0	0.0
12	Jordan Shanklin	20	71	178	39.9%	17	57	29.8%	23	38	60.5%	91	23	1	40	2.0	182	9.1
13	Jacob King	29	87	191	45.5%	82	185	44.3%	19	29	65.5%	60	38	0	68	2.3	275	9.5
14	Cortez Barber	30	9	20	45.0%	0	2	0.0%	2	4	50.0%	14	13	0	12	0.4	20	0.7
15	Drake Riley	6	1	3	33.3%	0	2	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	1	0	0	1	0.2	2	0.3
20	Norman Johnson	3	0	1	0.0%	0	1	0.0%	1	4	25.0%	2	1	0	0	0.0	1	0.3
22	Spence Sheldon	17	9	36	25.0%	8	28	28.6%	2	4	50.0%	15	4	0	0	0.0	28	1.6
23	Donavan Halsel	25	17	36	47.2%	3	11	27.3%	5	10	50.0%	14	10	1	16	0.6	42	1.7
24	Adam Bradley	18	5	14	35.7%	0	0	0.0%	4	7	57.1%	5	2	1	19	1.1	14	0.8
25	Taylor Sims	10	5	13	38.5%	3	10	30.0%	1	3	33.3%	2	1	0	7	0.7	14	1.4
32	Armin Hadiomervic	5	0	1	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	2	0.4	0	0.0
34	Andre Bledsoe	10	7	11	63.6%	0	0	0.0%	4	5	80.0%	0	1	0	6	0.6	18	1.8
44	George Fant	30	202	338	59.8%	0	3	0.0%	67	131	51.1%	41	43	73	253	8.4	471	15.7
<b>Team Totals</b>		<b>30</b>	<b>761</b>	<b>1543</b>	<b>49.3%</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>36.1%</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>551</b>	<b>57.2%</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>1000</b>	<b>33.3</b>	<b>1959</b>	<b>65.3</b>

*GP-Games Played; FGM-Field Goals Made; FGA-Field Goals Attempted; 3FGM-Three Point Field Goals Made; 3FGA-Three Point Field Goals Attempted; 3FG%-Three Point Field Goal Percentage; FTM-Free Throws Made; FTA-Free Throw Attempted; A-Assists; S-Steals; B-Blocks; REB-Rebounds; PTS-Points*



## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Warren Central (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
13	Jacob King	Guard	2.3	9.5
12	Jordan Shanklin	Guard	2.0	9.1
1	Troy Halcomb	Guard	4.3	9.3
3	Shamarcus Wells	Forward	7.2	7.9
44	George Fant	Forward	8.4	15.7

### Coach's Comments

Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:
<p>I'm so proud of the kids right now. The resiliency of our kids was great. I'm so proud of what they did. We just kept fightin' and fightin' and battlin' - and our seniors, there's something about seniors this time of year, they're gonna help you win a basketball game. I thought that's what happened tonight - they helped us win the basketball game.</p>

### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
2	Denzel Carpenter	Guard	2.1	2.9
4	Martez Boards	Forward	2.6	4.5
5	Brett Jackson	Forward	2.8	5.0

### Coach's Comments

What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:
<p>We must play together and play hard. Defense will be the key. We have to fight on defense, stay in front of our man, and get back in transition. Also, we have to continue to rebound well.</p>





## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats North Hardin (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
42	James Berry	Guard	6.8	13.5
40	Roosevelt Emerson	Center	6.5	13.3
32	Jermaine Ruttley	Guard	4.4	10.4
12	Nigel Phelps	Guard	5.5	11.5
21	Rolondo Emerson	Guard	5.4	7.5

### Coach's Comments

<b>Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:          Defeated Campbellsville 69-66, after being down 12 points in the 3rd quarter.</b>
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### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
2	Trevino Coney	Guard	1.5	2.0
15	Jordan Brangers	Guard	1.5	5.4
41	Adam Hendrix	Center	2.3	2.9

### Coach's Comments

<b>What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:          We must defend and rebound the basketball.</b>
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## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Butler (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
2	Jalen Wesson	Guard	2.2	9.2
21	Austin Fuqua	Forward	1.9	3.3
23	Darius Stone	Forward	7.2	9.3
30	Quenton Smith	Center	3.1	3.0
33	Thomas Blakemore	Guard	6.4	17.6

### Coach's Comments

<p><b>Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:</b> This is only the 4th team in school history to reach the Sweet Sixteen. The last team since 2002.</p>
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### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
11	Damon Saunders	Guard	2.3	4.8
42	Tyler Allen	Forward	4.3	6.4
32	Demetrius Butler	Forward	3.9	4.4

### Coach's Comments

<p><b>What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:</b></p>
<p>We are led by seniors, Thomas Blakemore and Darius Stone. Sophomore Jalen Wesson has done a fine job of running our team at the point guard position. The rest of the roster is full of players who have relished their roles and are playing them well. We feel that if we are able to continue to take care of the ball, share the ball as a team, play good solid team defense, and play a consistent 32 minutes we will be able to compete with any team in the tournament.</p>







## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Ballard (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
1	Tyrell Means	Tyrell Means	4.6	11.0
3	Drew Hardin	Drew Hardin	5.9	6.1
5	Ian Chiles	Ian Chiles	4.4	18.2
10	Devante Parker	Devante Parker	4.9	8.6
23	Keisten Jones	Keisten Jones	4.8	15.6

### Coach's Comments

Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:
Anytime you win the 7th Region it is a major accomplishment. It might have been sweeter this year due to the fact that it was considered the toughest region in the state. It also might have been the deepest region since my time at Ballard. Our players are excited about winning the region but also realize that this was not our ultimate goal. We have played a tough schedule and feel this has prepared us for what we will face in Lexington. We feel honored to represent the 7th Region. Our student section has been unbelievable at games and this is going to be a fun experience for the Ballard community.

### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
4	Isaiah Baker	Isaiah Baker	1.6	2.2
21	Forisse Hardin	Forisse Hardin	3.3	2.9
30	Logan Collier	Logan Collier	0.6	3.8

### Coach's Comments

What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:
The biggest key for us to be successful in winning the state championship is to play our style. We must use our athleticism applying pressure on our opponent both offensively and defensively. We have a variety of weapons. We not only have two all-state players in Ian Chiles and Keisten Jones; but have three other Division I athletes in Devante Parker, Drew Hardin, and Forisse Hardin. Not to mention that Tyrell Means is our unsung hero. At 5'11 he has over 40 dunks on the season. We are tough to guard because we have 4 shooters, all five players on the floor can take it to the basket, and we are relentless on the offensive boards. We must get solid play from our bench and try to make every game full-ct. Though we have proven we can win games playing different styles, we are most effective when we are playing with reckless abandon.





## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Shelby County (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
4	Daryl Hicks	Guard	4.6	13.8
10	Norris Beckley Jr.	Guard	2.2	11.8
22	Cache Tomlinson	Guard	1.7	10.6
32	Donovan Johnson	Forward	6.1	16.6
33	Eric Standafer	Forward	4.1	7.0

### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
55	Nigel Beach	Center	3.6	2.6
15	Tavis Elzy	Forward	2.3	2.6
33	Eric Standafer	Forward	4.1	7.0

### Coach's Comments

Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:
This is a very experienced ball club that found a way to get things done when the chips were down. I am proud of the way we were able to navigate our way through a very difficult schedule and prevail as regional champions. I am fortunate as a coach to have a group of young men that play hard, play together and who love playing with each other.

### Coach's Comments

What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:
We have a very balanced ball club but when push comes to shove we go as Donovan Johnson goes. He is the most valuable player on our team because he can do so much and has the ability to inspire others with his hustle and play. In order for us to make a run in this year's state tournament Donovan has to play big but that alone will not get it done. Fellow seniors Norris (Boomer) Beckley, Cache Tomlinson, Eric Standafer and Nigel Beach are also making their second trip to Rupp Arena in four years and have the experience of playing significant minutes on the 2006 final four team. Freshmen Daryl Hicks is the young gun of this group but his explosiveness and playmaking ability will be needed to offset the defensive pressure that Donovan will face. Reserve Tavis Elzy also adds extreme athleticism when he hits the court and he may very well be our best athlete.





## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Newport (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
24	Demarkco Foster	Guard	5.6	14.1
23	Casey McDaniel	Center	7.4	14.9
22	Anthony Luther	Forward	7.5	11.7
33	Cody Collins	Forward	5.3	7.9
14	Brandon Sizemore	Guard	2.5	5.7

### Coach's Comments

<b>Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:</b>
We have a 29-5 record which ties the school's all time record for most wins in a single season, which earned us our first trip to the All A Sweet 16 and first state appearance in 48 years.

### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
21	Brandon Tucker	Guard	3.4	6.7
10	Travis Jones	Guard	1.3	3.1
32	Kron Covington	Center	2.5	1.0

### Coach's Comments

<b>What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:</b>
We have to play good defense, rebound, run our offense and share the ball. Our top 6 seniors: Demarkco Foster, Casey McDaniel, Cody Collins, Brandon Sizemore, Anthony Luther, and Brandon Tucker will lead us through the tournament like they have throughout this season.





## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Mason County (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
32	Justin Lang	Guard	2.9	8.2
42	Rheuben Bluford	Center	6.1	5.5
34	Bradley Lang	Forward	4.0	6.9
10	Jordan Gilbert	Guard	0.0	9.7
35	Treg Setty	Forward	7.0	13.9

### Coach's Comments

<b>Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:</b> We're excited about advancing to Sweet 16, and look forward to taking the floor Thursday evening.
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### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
23	Neal Pawsat	Forward	4.8	6.6
31	Tyler Black	Forward	3.8	7.6
20	Josh Harris	Guard	0.0	2.5

### Coach's Comments

<b>What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:</b> As with most teams, defense and rebounding are keys to our success.
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## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Scott County (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
1	Chad Jackson	F	6.9	16.5
3	Austin Flannery	F	2.5	9.5
14	Ge-Lawn Guyn	G	3.8	11.9
32	Tamron Manning	G	4.4	5.8
45	Dakotah Euton	C	9.4	15.1

### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
30	Tanner Shotwell	F	2.7	5.8
11	Isaiah Ivey	G-F	1.6	2.6
44	Will Schu	C	2.5	2.8

### Coach's Comments

Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:
<p>Played very competitive schedule against several nationally ranked teams. Paid off to this point in being able to rise to the level of competition and respond to opponents runs. Experienced group of veteran players that took advantage of the disappointment of missing a trip to the state tournament last year in the regional finals.</p>

### Coach's Comments

What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:
<p>Team defense as a whole, with emphasis on individual defenders not losing control of their assigned player. Tough combination of patience and intensity required to be your best over the course of a 32 minute game. Defend, defend some more, h it shots, rebound. . . .compete.</p>





## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats West Jessamine (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
40	Gus Sherrow	F	3.5	11.6
44	Dylan Pohl	F	5.5	7.3
10	David Elliott	F	4.8	9.9
00	Kyle Mefford	G	1.4	7.8
5	Jarrold Polson	G	4.8	17.6

### Coach's Comments

Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:
I'm very proud of our players for repeating as region champs. They have had to deal with the pressure and expectations all season long of getting back to Rupp and have handled it great. We look forward to competing and representing the 12th Region to the best of our ability.

### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
1	Keston Bartholomew	G	2.0	5.4
24	Bradley Strait	F	3.2	3.9
21	Sean Donaldson	C	1.8	3.4

### Coach's Comments

What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:
Our defense is the key to our success. When we are playing our best we keep our opponents to a low FG% and this allows us to get into transition more on offense. Offensively we are led by Jarrold Polson, one of the premier players in the state. Everyone else feeds off him and he is capable of beating the defense with a jump shot, drive, or a pass.





## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Corbin (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
10	Isaac Wilson	Point Guard	2.7	17.8
21	Madison Johnson	Guard	6.4	21.0
33	Travis Smith	Guard	4.8	6.9
22	Matthew Taylor	Guard	2.7	4.2
42	Aaron Manns	Center	3.2	9.7

### Coach's Comments

Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:
The last time that Corbin made back to back trips to the sweet 16 was 1952. For this team to be able to overcome the amount of talent we graduated last season and compile the record we have is special. They will be mentioned in the same breathe as some of the all time greats to play here at Corbin. It's extremely special to take this group of seniors (a group that has won 105 games in 4 years) to Rupp. They have always been close to me and my family.

### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
3	Brody Freeman	Guard	1.5	2.6
15	Taylor Jones	Guard	0.6	1.6
25	Luke Stewart	Post	2.4	2.7

### Coach's Comments

What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:
Madison Johnson and Isaac Wilson have proven themselves to be one of the best guard combos in the state. Travis Smith and Arron Manns have proven they can produce when teams try to key in on Madison and Isaac. The production from our role players (Matt Taylor, Brody Freeman, Taylor Jones, and Luke Stewart) pushed us to the top in the 13th region. All our kids sacrificed for the betterment of the team. In the end the difference in us winning was our ability to play solid defense.





## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Knott County Central (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
24	Tate Cox	Guard	3.9	14.0
15	Stuart Stamper	Guard	3.1	18.4
12	Zack Davis	Guard	4.7	9.2
21	Nason Roberts	Forward	5.2	6.8
5	Braxton Ratliff	Forward	3.2	4.6

### Coach's Comments

<b>Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:</b> Toughest draw our team could have possibly had. Beating Breathitt 3-times, Hazard 4-times, and Perry Central 2-times. First trip to the Sweet 16 in 17 years.
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### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
34	Mikey Slone	Forward	2.1	5.6
23	Logan Bartrum	Guard	1.2	6.8
33	Zack Mullins	Guard	0.5	2.1

### Coach's Comments

<b>What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:</b> Taking care of the basketball, rebounding, and shooting a solid percentage.
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## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats Shelby Valley (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
3	Elisha Justice	Guard	3.9	19.6
12	Ashley Hatfield	Forward	7.3	14.8
15	Taylor Newsome	Forward	7.2	11.7
21	Cody Varney	Guard	3.4	6.3
24	Tyler Newsome	Forward	5.6	13.2

### Coach's Comments

<b>Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:</b>
Our 8 seniors have played in 3 state tournaments. This team has also won back-to-back All "A" State Championships. Hopefully, we can use that experience in order to advance through the tournament.

### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
10	Zach Ramey	Guard	1.3	4.5
23	Tanner Tackett	Forward	3.6	1.3
32	Trey Roberts	Guard	0.7	1.7

### Coach's Comments

<b>What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:</b>
We have to play tremendous pressure defense, rebound great and of course hit shots. This team has played in a lot of big games throughout their careers and we hope that experience will help us prepare for this tournament.





## PNC/KHSAA Boys Sweet Sixteen® Basketball Team Stats East Carter (continued)

### Probable Starters

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
15	Colt Barnhill	Forward	9.2	20.1
32	Kyle Bair	Guard	4.8	10.8
21	Caleb Adams	Guard	3.1	7.7
42	Tyler Clay	Forward	3.1	3.7
11	Dylan Genung	Guard	2.0	5.1

### Coach's Comments

Your team's accomplishment of advancing to the State Tournament:
It feels great to get back to the state tournament. This was a goal that our team set immediately following a very close district loss last season to a talented Elliott County team. We have had tremendous senior leadership to lead us to 22-1 record within a very competitive 16th region.

### Off the Bench

No.	Player	Position	REB Avg.	PTS Avg.
4	Koty Buck	Guard	2.6	4.6
5	Connor Robinson	Guard	0.9	4.0
44	Landon McDavid	Forward	2.4	2.0

### Coach's Comments

What are keys (players/offensive/defensive) to your team's success in winning the tournament:
We have relied heavily on our senior starters all year and will continue to do so. They provide tremendous leadership. We have been very successful this season when we have had 3 players score double figures. We will need to be patient offensively and get the best shot, take care of the ball, defend and rebound with passion.