

Kentucky High School Athletic Association

Sports News

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STATE WRESTLING THIS WEEK

The 39th KHSAA State Wrestling Championships are slated for Thursday through Saturday, Feb. 14-16, at the Capital Plaza Convention Center (Formerly Farnham Dudgeon Civic Center) in Frankfort. Doors open for Thursday's first round action at 10 a.m. General admission to the event is \$5 per session, or an all-session ticket (one admission to all five sessions) will be available for \$18. Children under the age of seven will be admitted free.

Following is a schedule of sessions. State Wrestling brackets are posted on the KHSAA website (www.khsaa.org/wrestling) and will be updated following each session.

Thursday, Feb. 14

Session #1

10 a.m. – Gates Open for Fans

10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. – First Round

5 – 8:30 p.m. – First Round of Consolation Bracket

Friday, Feb. 15

Session #2

9 a.m. – Gates Open for Fans

9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. – Second Round of Championship & Consolation Brackets

Session #3

5 p.m. – Gates Open for Fans

5:30 to 11 p.m. – Third Round of Championship Brackets; Third & Fourth Rounds of Consolation Brackets

Saturday, Feb. 16

Session #4

8:30 a.m. – Gates Open for Fans

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. – Fourth Round (semifinals) of Championship Brackets; Fifth & Sixth Rounds of Consolation Brackets

Session #5

3:30 p.m. – Gates Open for Fans

4 to 6 p.m. – Seventh (7th Place), Eighth (5th Place) and Ninth (3rd Place) Rounds of Consolation Brackets

6:30 p.m. – State Championship Opening Ceremonies, following by Championship Bracket Finals

STATE WRESTLING PRESS ROW

To contact a member of the KHSAA staff or to receive updates during the State Wrestling Championships, contact the KHSAA Press Row at Capital Plaza Convention Center at (502) 226-6860.

REGIONAL SWIM MEET RESULTS

Regional Swim Meets results are posted on the Association website (www.khsaa.org/swimming). Official entries for next weekend's State Swimming & Diving Meet, scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Feb. 22-23 at Lancaster Aquatic Center in Lexington, will be posted on the site on Friday, Feb. 15.

The top two finishers in each event from each regional meet, as well as the next 14 times at-large from each event (highest scores in diving) qualify for the State Meet.

Some highlights from last weekend's regional meets include Covington Catholic's Jason Vadney who ranked No. 1 in the state in the 200 Freestyle. Vadney posted a 1:45.68 in regional action and was second in the 500 Free with a time of 4:46.61. Sean Pharr will enter next week's State Meet with the top time in the 100 Free (48.14) and second in the 50 Free (22.32).

St. Xavier, 13-time defending Boys' State Champion, hopes depth will lead the Tigers to their 14th consecutive title. The Tigers qualified the maximum four swimmers in six of the nine individual events and three on the remaining events.

In girls' action, Sacred Heart's Caroline Burckle will have her eye on the oldest standing state record, Kara McGrath's 500 Free mark of 5:57.19 set in 1983. Burckle swam a 4:57.93 in the 2nd Region Meet, breaking Mary T. Meagher's region record by more than two seconds. Burckle also qualified in the 200 Free.

Emile Ewing of Madisonville-North Hopkins and Sarah Menefee of Sacred Heart will hope to better Emily Bresser's state record of 56.71 (1997) in the 100 Back. Ewing was timed in 58.02 at regionals, while Menefee finished in 58.39.

Defending girls' State Champion Paul Dunbar has 18 individual entries that qualified for state action, while runner-up Sacred Heart has 23. DuPont Manual and Notre Dame should also be in the hunt for the Girls' State Championship, having qualified 15 and 21 individual swims.

Overall, 13 All-American consideration times by 10 swimmers were performed during regional meet action.

STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT TICKETS

Tickets sales for both the Boys' & Girls' Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournaments continue to be strong, but tickets to both events remain on sale through the KHSAA office by calling (859) 299-5472 or by ordering online at www.khsaa.org.

Tickets for the Boys' State Tournament are \$96 a set in the lower arena (one ticket to each of the 8 sessions) or \$48 a set in the upper arena. Single-session tickets, available in the upper arena only, are also available at \$6 each. There are no single-session lower arena tickets on sale at this time. There is a \$5 handling charge per order. The Boys' State Basketball Tournament is scheduled for March 13-16 at Rupp Arena in Lexington.

Tickets for the Girls' State Tournament are \$96 a set for sideline seats (one ticket to each of the 8 sessions) or \$48 a set for end zone seats. Single-session tickets, available in the end zone only, are also available at \$6 each. There are no single-session sideline tickets on sale at this time. There is a \$5 handling charge per order. The Girls' State Basketball Tournament is scheduled for March 20-23 at Western Kentucky University's Diddle Arena in Bowling Green.

This is a reminder to order your tickets now. Tickets purchased at the arena for either tournament will incur an additional walk-up charge per ticket.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL NOTES

(Taken from member school stats reports)

Cassie Shemwell of Todd County Central posted a double-double last Tuesday in a 58-38 win over Trigg County. Shemwell scored 28 points and pulled down 20 rebounds in the contest.

Angela Mullins of Hopkins County Central has become the fastest player to post 1,000 career points in the six-year history of the school. She achieved the mark with a 27-point, 17-rebound performance, in a 63-48 win over Webster County last Monday. The performance marked Mullins' 19th double-double effort on the year and gave her 790 career rebounds. Mullins is a junior center for The Storm.

Destiny Mattingly of Woodford County recorded her 1,000th career point last Monday night in a 63-35 win over Lafayette. A varsity player since the seventh grade and now a freshman, Mattingly has 1,008 points and is sixth among the school's all-time scorers.

Belfry's Jessica Lovell scored a career-high 28 points in a 62-52 win last Monday over district rival Elkhorn City.

Boyle's County's Courtney Baines recorded 11 steals against North Laurel last Monday. The Lady Rebels won, 49-39.

Ashley Broady of Christian Academy (Louisville) surpassed the 1,000 career points mark last week.

BOYS' BASKETBALL NOTES

(Taken from member school stats reports)

Monticello's Terry Brown got plenty of practice shooting free throws in a 75-49 loss to North Laurel last Tuesday. Brown was fouled on four different three-point attempts in the game. Teammate Luke Bristow pulled down 16 rebounds in the contest.

Ohio County's Travis Tong scored a career-high 35 points and pulled down a career-high 12 rebounds in 91-87 win over Apollo last Tuesday. Tong was hot from the field, nailing 15 of 17 shot attempts.

South Oldham's Travis Foley was a perfect 15 of 15 from the free throw line in last Tuesday's 73-70 loss to Woodford County.

Ryan Cochran of St. Mary scorched the nets for 40 points last Tuesday in a 92-87 win over Massac County, IL. Cochran was seven of 11 from three-point range. The performance marked the third time this season the senior has surpassed the 40 points plateau. Heading in to last Friday's 81-46 loss to regional power Paducah Tilghman, Cochran was just 84 points shy of establishing a new school scoring record.

Jerome Givens of Woodford County tied his personal best as well as the school record with 42 points in a 73-70 win over South Oldham last Friday. Givens now has two 42-point efforts with the first coming against Pulaski Southwestern back in December.

BASKETBALL POSTSEASON TOURNAMENT SITES

As of 2/11/02

Several District Basketball Tournament schedules have already been received and entered on the Association website. Click the Riherd's/KHSAA Scoreboard link to access schedules. Schedules are posted as they are received.

District Tournaments (Feb. 25- March 2)

1 – Fulton City; 2 – Lone Oak; 3 – Mayfield; 4 – Marshall Co.; 5 – Crittenden Co.; 6 – Henderson Co.; 7 – Hopkins Co. Central; 8 – Hopkinsville; 9 – Apollo; 10 – Muhlenberg North; 11 – Trinity (Whitesville); 12 – McLean Co.; 13 – Logan Co.; 14 – Warren East; 15 – Edmonson Co.; 16 – Clinton Co.; 17 – North Hardin (Boys), Central Hardin (Girls); 18 – Caverna; 19 – Bethlehem; 20 – Campbellsville; 21 – Shawnee; 22 – Western; 23 – Valley; 24 – Iroquois; 25 – Male; 26 – Atherton; 27 – Jeffersontown; 28 – Eastern; 29 – Bullitt Central; 30 – Shelby Co.; 31 – Oldham Co.; 32 – Scott Co. ; 33 – Simon Kenton; 34 – Dixie Heights; 35 – Holmes; 36 – Dayton; 37 – Bourbon Co.; 38 – Pendleton Co. (Boys), Bracken Co. (Girls); 39 – Fleming Co.; 40 – Montgomery Co.; 41 – Western Hills; 42 – East Jessamine; 43 – Henry Clay; 44 – EKV McBrayer Arena; 45 – Casey Co. 46 – Harrodsburg; 47 – Site of #1 Seed; 48 – Pulaski Co.; 49 – Clay Co.; 50 – Lynn Camp; 51 – Pineville; 52 – Cawood; 53 – Whitesburg (Boys), Letcher (Girls); 54 – Hazard; 55 – Knott Co. Central; 56 – Lee Co.; 57 – Johnson Central; 58 – Prestonsburg; 59 – Millard; 60 – Phelps; 61 – Morgan Co.; 62 – West Carter; 63 – Russell; 64 – Rose Hill.

Boys' Regional Tournaments (March 4-9)

1 – Murray State University; 2 – Madisonville-North Hopkins; 3 – Apollo; 4 – Western Kentucky University; 5 – Central Hardin; 6 – Louisville Gardens; 7 – Louisville Gardens; 8 – Henry Co.; 9 – Conner; 10 – Mason Co.; 11 – Farnham Dudgeon Civic Center, Frankfort; 12 – Russell Co.; 13 – Rockcastle Co.; 14 – Perry Co. Central; 15 – Pike Co. Central; 16 – Morehead State University.

Girls' Regional Tournaments (March 4-12)

1 – Murray State University; 2 – Caldwell Co.; 3 – Muhlenberg North; 4 – Western Kentucky University; 5 – Nelson Co.; 6 – Louisville Gardens; 7 – Louisville Gardens; 8 – Bullitt Central; 9 – Ryle; 10 – Mason Co.; 11 – Bryan Station; 12 – Pulaski Co.; 13 – Rockcastle Co.; 14 – Hazard; 15 – Pike Co. Central; 16 – Morehead State University.

BOYS' & GIRLS' STATE TOURNAMENT DRAWS

The draws for the Boys' & Girls' State Basketball Tournaments were held last Friday at the WKYT-TV studio in Lexington. The draws are posted at www.khsaa.org/basketball.

HOW TO GET INFO IN THE WEEKLY RELEASE

The KHSAA requests assistance from its member schools and media outlets to aid in the compilation and dissemination of notes of interest, coaches association polls and upcoming events in all sports. Information should be forwarded to the KHSAA, attention Butch Cope, by 1 p.m. (ET) on Monday of each week. You may e-mail (bcope@khsaa.org) the information or fax it to the KHSAA at (859) 293-5999. Information received will be reviewed and published at the discretion of the Association. The KHSAA strives to publicize all of its sports to the fullest extent and appreciates any and all assistance.

THE NEXT REGULAR RELEASE WILL BE MONDAY, FEB. 18, 2002