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STATE WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS
Campbell County picked up the school’s third State Wrestling Championship, first since 1991, at the 41st KHSAA State Wrestling Championships held last weekend at Farnham Dudgeon Arena in Frankfort. The Camels placed four wrestlers in championship bouts, taking home three individual state championships.

Woodford County finished second while Seneca was third. South Oldham, last year’s State Champion, finished 10th.

Complete results are posted on the Association website at www.khsaa.wrestling.

STATE SWIMMING & DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS
St. Xavier and Sacred Heart repeated as boys' and girls' champions, respectively, at the 2004 KHSAA State Swimming & Diving Championships held at the UK Lancaster Aquatic Center in Lexington over the weekend. St. Xavier picked up its 16th consecutive Boys' State Swimming Championship and a national record-tying 40th swim title overall. The Tigers are now tied with Honolulu Punahou with the most state swim titles.

Sacred Heart, behind two relay records and three individual records by Caroline Burkle, repeated as the girls' champion. SHA has 21 state titles overall and has won eight of the last 10.

Following are state records set during the 2004 Championships.
Girls' 200 Free – Caroline Burckle (Sacred Heart) 1:48.00
Girls' 500 Free – Caroline Burckle (Sacred Heart) 4:48.79
Girls' 100 Free – Caroline Burckle (Sacred Heart) 50.33
Girls' 200 Medley Relay – Sacred Heart (Sarah Menefee, Abby MacGregro, Devon Callaghan, Caroline Burckle) 1:45.52
Girls' 400 Free Relay – Sacred Heart (Caroline Burckle, Sarah Menefee, Stephanie Hall, Devon Callaghan) 3:29.56

Complete results are posted on the Association website at www.khsaa.org/swimming/.

DISTRICT BASKETBALL
Basketball enters the postseason this week as district tournament action begins. All tournament schedules are posted on the KHSAA/Riherd’s Scoreboard.

REGIONAL BASKETBALL
The roads to Rupp and Diddle Arena get shorter with regional tournament action slated for next week. Tournament brackets will be posted on the KHSAA website (through the scoreboard) on Sunday as they are received. The host sites are posted on the website at www.khsaa.org/basketball.

NATIONAL CITY/KHSAA BOYS’ STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
Following are the first round region vs. region match-ups for the 2004 National City/KHSAA Boys’ State Basketball tournament scheduled for March 17-20 at Rupp Arena in Lexington. The complete bracket is also posted at www.khsaa.org/basketball.

Rupp Arena, Lexington • All Times Eastern & Local to Site
Wednesday, March 17
Region 10 vs. Region 12, 12 p.m.; Region 7 vs. Region 2, 1:30 p.m.
Region 5 vs. Region 15, 6:30 p.m.; Region 11 vs. Region 8, 8 p.m.
Thursday, March 18
Region 1 vs. Region 9, 12 p.m.; Region 6 vs. Region 13, 1:30 p.m.
Region 14 vs. Region 16, 6:30 p.m.; Region 4 vs. Region 3, 8 p.m.

HOUCHENS/KHSAA GIRLS’ STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT
Following are the first round region vs. region match-ups for the 2004 Houchens/KHSAA Girls’ State Basketball tournament scheduled for March 24-27 at E.A. Diddle Arena in Bowling Green. The complete bracket is posted at www.khsaa.org/basketball.

E.A. Diddle Arena, Bowling Green • All Times Central & Local to Site
Wednesday, March 24
STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT TICKETS
Tickets for the National City/KHSAA Boys’ & Houchens Industries/KHSAA Girls’ Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournaments are now on sale through host venues. Tickets are no longer available through the KHSAA office.

Tickets to the National City/KHSAA Boys’ State Basketball Tournament can be ordered through the Rupp Arena box office by calling (859)233-3535 or by ordering online through ticketmaster.com. Tickets to the Houchens Industries/KHSAA Girls’ State Basketball Tournament can be purchased through the Diddle Arena box office by calling (270)745-5222 or (800)5BIGRED.

Each of the participating schools will have tickets available in the cheering sections for $7 each.

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

DAWAHARES/KHSAA HALL OF FAME BANQUET
Tickets to the 17th Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Banquet remain on sale through the KHSAA office. Tickets are $40 each or $400 for a table of 10. This year’s Banquet is set for Tuesday, March 16 and will be held in the Bluegrass Grand Ballroom at the Lexington Center (Next to Rupp Arena). A social hour will be from 5:30-6:30 p.m. (ET). The banquet begins at 6:30 p.m.


To purchase tickets, contact Butch Cope or Ken Tippett at the KHSAA at (859)299-5472.

BASKETBALL NOTES
(As submitted by member schools)
Seth Kiser and Kelsey Friend of Shelby Valley each posted their 1,000th career point in an 82-61 win over Prestonsburg last week.

Jeff Gumm of Taylor County has broken his own record of three point field goals made in a season with 76. Gumm had 71 last season. Teammate Clint Graham has 104 blocks on the year, giving him 422 for his career.

Ross Norman of Southern had 25 points, 15 rebounds and six assists in a 74-60 win over Western last Friday.

Trinity (Louisville) dished out a season-high 26 assists in a 77-51 win over Floyd Central, IN, in the regular season finale.

David Byrd of Barren County had 37 points and 11 assists in an 89-67 win over Metcalfe County last week.

Morgan County’s boys’ basketball team has won 20-plus games for a school record three consecutive seasons. They won 22 in 2002, 24 in 2003 and are 23-4 in 2004.

Carley Ormerod of Sacred Heart set a new career assist record (285) in a 56-38 win over Presentation last week. She broke the record set just two weeks ago by teammate Connie Ferch.

Jade Perry is now Muhlenberg North’s all-time leading scorer, passing Patrick Sparks who had 2,653 points. Perry has 110 blocks through 25 games this season.

Sarah Morris of Menifee County has 118 blocks on the year through 24 games.

Brittany Wilson of Frankfort tied a school record with 34 points in a recent 67-53 loss to Paul Dunbar. She also had 10 rebounds and five steals in the contest.
Warren Central’s Aaron Richmond became only the fifth player in Lady Dragons’ history to score 1,500 points with a 27-point performance in a 98-68 win over Allen County-Scottsville last week.

Pikeville’s Samantha Howard connected on seven three point shots and finished with 35 points in an 88-59 win over South Floyd last week. The seven three pointers made set a school record.