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HYPE CONFERENCE SUCCESS
The fourth annual KHSAA HYPE Student Leadership Conference, sponsored by First Corbin Financial Corporation and Fifth Third Bank, was held last Thursday, Jan. 12 at “The Stadium” Entertainment and Conference Complex in Lexington (off Reynolds Road behind Meijer).

A total of 288 students and 47 adults from 39 schools participated in the one day seminar that included breakout sessions on teamwork, respect and sportsmanship and a town hall open forum.

Cameron Mills, former University of Kentucky and Paul Dunbar basketball star, was the opening speaker at the conference. Josh Shipp, who has performed on stage with Bill Cosby and appeared on Comedy Central, was the closing speaker of the event.

ANNUAL VOTING
The annual Delegate Assembly Meeting was held last Thursday, Jan. 13 at the Hyatt Regency’s Patterson Ballroom in Lexington. A total of 21 proposals were presented to the 233 delegates in attendance. Proposals required a two-thirds vote (156 votes) for approval. Those approved were reviewed by the KHSAA Board of Control at its meeting last Friday and will now be forwarded on to the Kentucky Department of Education for review prior to implementation.

To view final voting on each proposal, log on to the KHSAA website at the link listed below:
http://www.khsaa.org/annualmeeting/

NATIONAL CITY/KHSAA TROPHY TOUR
Again as part of its title sponsorship of the Boys’ Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournament, National City will be touring the Boys’ Championship trophy. Next stop is the Jeffersontown at Fern Creek game on Friday.

Students are able to pick up scholarship application forms on each stop. The application form is also posted on the KHSAA website. National City has increased its commitment to the scholarship program. This year and again 16 boys and 16 girls (one each from each region) will receive a one-time scholarship courtesy of National City. This year’s winners will each receive a one-time $1,000 scholarship, an increase of $500 each from last year. A total of $32,000 in scholarship money will be awarded this year.

Scholarship recipients will be honored with a reception prior to the Championship game as well as being recognized on the floor during the contest.

The scholarship application deadline is Friday, Feb. 25. For additional information, contact Butch Cope.

NATIONAL CITY/KHSAA BOYS’ SWEET 16® TROPHY TOUR STOPS
Dec. 28 – Paintsville Tiger Classic
Jan., 13 – Simon Kenton at Dixie Heights
Jan. 21 – Jeffersontown at Fern Creek
Jan. 28 – Boyd County at Ashland Blazer
Feb. 1 – Scott County at Bullitt East
Feb. 11 – Eastern at Atherton
Feb. 15 – Apollo at Union County
Feb. 25 – Warren Central at Russellville

BASKETBALL STATS
The KHSAA began its weekly basketball stats rankings last Thursday. Stats will be posted on the KHSAA website under the basketball sports link. Rankings will be compiled each Thursday afternoon throughout the remainder of the regular season. A final season ranking (including postseason games) will be conducted April 15.

Individual school-by-school stats reports are posted on the KHSAA/Rhierd’s Sports Scoreboards as received from the school.

UPCOMING KHSAA CALENDAR
Fri., Feb. 4 – Draw Show for 2005 State Basketball Tournaments
Fri.-Sat., Feb. 18-19 – State Swimming & Diving Meet – UK Lancaster Aquatic Center, Lexington
Thurs.-Sat., Feb. 24-26 – State Wrestling Championships – Frankfort Convention Complex, Frankfort
Tues., March 15 – Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Induction Banquet – Lexington Center, Lexington

NEXT RELEASE
The next regular release will be posted on Jan. 24, 2005.