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SPORTS NEWS

SWEET 16® DRAW SHOW FRIDAY
The draws for the 2007 National City/KHSAA Boys’ and Houchens/KHSAA Girls’ State Basketball Tournaments will be conducted this Friday, Feb. 2. WKYT-TV27 in Lexington will again air the draws live beginning at 1 p.m. Insight of Northern Kentucky will air the program live while Insight in Louisville will air the program on a delayed basis.

Following is satellite uplink information:
Satellite - AMC 02 (KU Digital) Transponder 03 – Ch A9
Oribatl Slot – 85 degrees West Longitude
Downlink Frequency – 11746.5 (V)
Test from 12:45-1 p.m.; Program 1-1:30 p.m.

Brackets will be posted on the Riherd’s/KHSAA Scoreboard at the conclusion of the program.

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 for the fourth consecutive year. Six stops remain on the 2007 tour. Next up is Tuesday’s Scott County at Henry Clay game.

On the tour, students are able to pick up scholarship application forms on each stop (forms may also be accessed through the KHSAA website). Again this year, 16 boys and 16 girls (one boy and one girl from each region) will receive a one-time $1,000 scholarship courtesy of National City.

Scholarship recipients will be honored with a reception prior to the Championship game of the National City/KHSAA Boys’ Sweet 16® as well as being recognized on the floor during the contest. The scholarship application deadline is Friday, Feb. 23. For additional information, contact Butch Cope at the KHSAA.

Following are the remaining sites of the 2007 National City/KHSAA Trophy Scholarship Tour
Jan. 30 – Scott County at Henry Clay
Feb. 1 – Campbell County at Covington Catholic
Feb. 3 – Raceland at Ashland Blazer
Feb. 6 – Bowling Green at Warren Central
Feb. 9 – Jeffersonville at DuPont Manual
Feb. 16 – Mercer County at Danville

Another development from the National City sponsorship is the www.sweet-16.org website. This site, aimed at reaching the high school market, allows students to post photos, videos, view past scholarship winners, download a scholarship application, check scores and will include student blogs during the Sweet 16®. The launch date for the website is Jan. 15.

BASKETBALL STATS
The KHSAA will begin its weekly basketball stats rankings on Thursday, Jan. 11. Stats will be posted on the KHSAA website under the basketball sports link. Rankings will be compiled weekly throughout the remainder of the regular season. A final season ranking (including postseason games) will be conducted on April 15.

Individual school-by-school stats reports are posted on the Riherd’s/KHSAA Scoreboard as they are received from member schools.

BASKETBALL TICKETS
Tickets to the 2007 National City/KHSAA Boys’ and Houchens/KHSAA Girls’ State Basketball Tournaments continue to be on sale through the KHSAA office and online at khsaa.org. At this time, only full tournament sets of tickets (one ticket to each of the eight sessions) are available. Lower arena seats are priced at $108 each and upper arena seats are priced at $58 each. Tickets will be on sale through the KHSAA until Feb. 23. Beginning March 2, tickets will only be available through the Rupp Arena (boys) and Diddle Arena (girls) box offices and/or the venue’s respective online ticketing agent.
SWEET DATES
Following are the dates for the 2007 National City/KHSAA Boys’ & Houchens/KHSAA Girls’ State Basketball Tournaments:

Houchens/KHSAA Girls’ Sweet 16®
March 14-17
WKU E.A. Diddle Arena, Bowling Green

National City/KHSAA Boys’ Sweet 16®
March 21-24
Rupp Arena, Lexington

NEXT KHSAA BOARD OF CONTROL MEETING
The next meeting of the KHSAA Board of Control is a special meeting to review appeals and will be held on Monday, Feb. 19 beginning at 9 a.m. at the Association office in Lexington. For an agenda, contact the KHSAA or log on to www.khsaa.org/boardofcontrol.

UPCOMING KHSAA EVENTS
Jan. 29-Feb. 3  Regional Swimming & Diving Meets
Feb. 9-10     State Swimming & Diving Meet
Feb. 9-10     Regional Wrestling Tournaments
Feb. 15-17    State Wrestling Championships
Feb. 26-March 3  District Boys’ & Girls’ Basketball Tournaments