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DISTRICT BASKETBALL BEGINS HOOPS POSTSEASON
The roads to Diddle Arena in Bowling Green and Rupp Arena in Lexington begin Monday for all basketball teams with District action kicking off. District Tournaments run through Saturday.

Regional action is slated for March 3-8 (girls) and March 3-11 (boys). Regional brackets will be posted on the Rhiher's/KHSAA Scoreboard as they are received on Sunday, March 2.

BASKETBALL TICKETS
Tickets to the 2008 Houchens/KHSAA Girls’ State Basketball Tournament 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 $116 each and upper arena seats are priced at $66 each. Tickets will be on sale through the KHSAA until March 7.

Tickets to the 2008 National City/KHSAA Boys’ State Basketball Tournament are now on sale only through ticketmaster.com and the Rupp Arena Box Office. Both all sessions and single session tickets are available.

JOHNSON CENTRAL FOOTBALL PROGRAM PENALIZED
The Johnson Central football program has been penalized and placed on probation for a violation of KHSAA Bylaws (10 – Recruitment; 6 – transfer). The football program at Johnson Central was placed on probation through the conclusion of the 2008-09 school year.

Head Coach Jim Matney was suspended from the first two regular season contests for the 2008 year. The school was fined $1,000 for the violations as well as required to pay a fee in the amount of $1,500 for restitution for the cost of the investigation.

Contact the school administration at Johnson Central for any comment.

UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS
Feb. 25-March 1 District Basketball Tournaments
March 3-8 Regional Girls’ Basketball Tournaments
March 3-11 Regional Boys’ Basketball Tournaments
March 14 KHSAA Special Board of Control Meeting, Bowling Green
March 12-15 Houchens/KHSAA Girls’ State Basketball Tournament, WKU, Bowling Green
March 19-22 National City/KHSAA Boys’ State Basketball Tournament, Rupp Arena, Lexington
April 12 Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Induction Banquet, Lexington

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About the Kentucky High School Athletic Association
The Kentucky High School Athletic Association was organized in 1917 and is the agency designated by the Kentucky Department of Education to manage high school athletics in the Commonwealth. The Association is a voluntary nonprofit 501 3(c) organization made up of 280 member schools both public and private. The KHSAA sanctions state championships in 19 sports, licenses and trains over 3,900 officials, provides catastrophic
insurance for its member school student athletes as well as overseeing coaching education and medical symposium programs.