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NATIONAL CITY/KHSAA SWEET 16® SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS
Following are the 2008 winners of the National City Sweet 16 scholarships. As part of its title sponsorship of the Boys’ Sweet 16, National City will present each with a one-time $1,000 scholarship. Each winner, along with his/her family, will be invited to attend a reception Saturday, March 22 from 5-7 p.m. at the UK Basketball Museum prior to the championship game of the National City/KHSAA Boys’ State Basketball Tournament. In addition, winners will be recognized during halftime of the contest. Media outlets are invited to the reception.

Region 1 – Meagan Pickett (Ballard Memorial) Travis Spiceland (Marshall County)
Region 2 – Angel Williams (Webster County) C.J. Croft (Fort Campbell)
Region 3 – Carrie Himmelhaver (Breckinridge County) Nicholas Hoffman (Owensboro)
Region 4 – Ashley Edwards (Russellville) Dustin Stovall (Allen Co.-Scottsville)
Region 5 – Madelynn Ringo (Bethlehem) Justin Pile (Nelson County)
Region 6 – Brittany Luster (Bullitt Central) Jeff Mullaney (DeSales)
Region 7 – Meredith Doll (Assumption) Josh Nicholas (Eastern)
Region 8 – Stacey Corry (Trimble County) Cody Lasseigne (South Oldham)
Region 9 – Courtney Crank (Boone County) Brian Hamilton (Villa Madonna)
Region 10 – Jenny Moran (Calvary Christian) Wylie Brace (Mason County)
Region 11 – Sarah Tandy (Lafayette) Chris Morford (Woodford County)
Region 12 – Jesslyn Long (Lincoln County), Kenneth Hughes (Somerset)
Region 13 – Melanie Uy (Middlesboro) Jared Jeffrey (Pineville)
Region 14 – Arielle Engle (Hazard) Corey Davidson (Jackson City)
Region 15 – Kathryn King (Johnson Central) Jeremy Pack (Paintsville)
Region 16 – Tori Smith (Ashland Blazer) Nathan Miles (Rowan County)

This is the fifth year National City has awarded scholarships during which time $144,000 in scholarships have been awarded to 160 individuals.

REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS THIS WEEK
The roads to Diddle Arena in Bowling Green and Rupp Arena in Lexington are a little shorter this week as regional tournament play begins Monday. Regional action is slated for March 3-8 (girls) and March 3-11 (boys). Regional brackets are posted on the Riherd's/KHSAA Scoreboard.

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS/MEETINGS
March 3-8  Regional Girls’ Basketball Tournaments
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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.