Meet HOF’s 15 new picks

Common theme: heroics at state

By Bruce Strand

Nine players who made huge impacts at state tournaments on championship teams are among the 15 individuals named last week to the Jack Link’s Minnesota High School Basketball Hall of Fame.

The third class of the HOF will be inducted Sunday, April 5, at the Marriott City Center Ballroom in downtown Minneapolis, 2:30 p.m. For tickets, visit mnhsbasketball-hall.com.

The state tourney luminaries — Annie Adamczak, Tayler Hill, Terry Kunze, Tom Nordland, Mark Landsberger, Kevin Lynch, Dave Tschimperle, Frank Wachlaworicz, and Barry Wohler — are joined by Sam Jacobson, probably the best player who never got into one, along with three coaches with multiple state titles — Brian Cosgriff, Larry McKenzie and Ziggie Kauls. Also enshrined will be distinguished official Jimmy Robinson and girls sports pioneer Vicki Davis.

ANNE ADAMCZAK, MOOSE LAKE 1982 -- Adamczak led Moose Lake to state championships in basketball, volleyball and softball (as the ace pitcher) her senior year with a combined record of 79-0. The 5-10 prodigy played in 10 state tournaments and won five state titles. She scored 1,535 career points and was named Miss Basketball. Her college sport was volleyball at Nebraska where she was a three-year starter at middle blocker.

BRIAN COSGRIFF, HOPKINS, GIRLS COACH -- Cosgriff is the winningest coach in state history with regard to won-lost percentage with seven state championships, a 552-67 overall record and 33-7 in 13 state tournaments. His current team is riding a state Class 4A record 45-game win streak. He joins Royal boys coach Kenny Novak in this HOF.

VICKI DAVIS, ST. PETER, 1967 -- There were no girls sports when Davis attended St. Peter High School but she got her start at Mankato State as captain for basketball and volleyball two seasons each. She initiated the girls sports programs at Hastings early in a 45-year tenure there as a PE teacher and coach. She refereed in
the first two winter state tournaments, 1975 and 1976, at the start of a long officiating career that including supervising and evaluating college basketball refs.

**TAYLER HILL, MPLS. SOUTH, 2009 --** Hill led the Tigers to a 139-14 record over five seasons, capped by a 47-point game in their 2009 state finals win. She held tourney records (since broken) for game and total (106) points. Her 3,888 career points was the record then and still ranks third. At Ohio State, the 5-9 guard made all-Big Ten twice, averaging 20 and 21 points. She spent six seasons in the WNBA with the Washington Mystics, averaging 15 and 13 points her best two seasons.

**SAM JACOBSON, PARK, 1994 --** Jacobson poured in 2,461 career points, averaged a double-double in his career, and was Mr. Basketball as a senior. A terrific leaper at 6-4, he scored 1,709 points for the Gophers and was part of their Final Four run in 1997 and NIT championship in 1998. He spent three seasons in the NBA (Lakers, Golden State, Wolves), averaging 4.2 points in 68 games, then six seasons in Europe.

**ZIGGY KAULS, MOUNDS VIEW BOYS COACH --** Kauls coached two state championship teams with the Mustangs — 27 years apart, in 1972 and 1999 — while logging 12 state tournament trips and 12 conference titles. He also had three Mr. Basketball award recipients in a 45-year tenure ending in 2012. The Forest Lake native ranks No. 3 all-time in wins, with a 739-358 record.

**TERRY KUNZE, DULUTH CENTRAL, 1961 --** Kunze, a 6-4 guard and dazzling ball-handler, led the Trojans to the 1961 state crown and 27-0 record, dishing out about 10 assists per game. He averaged 10-11 points for the Gophers for three seasons, then played pro ball in the ABA with the Minnesota Muskies and in Europe. His college coaching career included stints at Anoka-Ramsey CC and as a Gopher assistant. He was head coach with the Minnesota Fillies in a women’s pro league.

**MARK LANDSBERGER, MOUNDS VIEW, 1973 --** Landsberger led the Mustangs to the 1972 Class AA title and a return trip in 1973. He averaged 27 points as a senior and totaled 1,290 points and 910 rebounds. The 6-8 forward averaged 14.4 rebounds one season at Arizona State, a skill that landed him in the NBA for seven years with the Chicago Bulls, Los Angeles Lakers (including championship seasons in 1980 and 1982) and Atlanta Hawks. In the NBA, he had 2,468 points and 2,681 rebounds, including 29 in one game with the Bulls.

**KEVIN LYNCH, BLOOMINGTON JEFFERSON, 1987 --** Lynch, a 6-5 guard, led the Jaguars to state crowns in 1986 and 1987 and was named Mr. Basketball. He helped the Gophers reach the Sweet 16 and Elite 8 his last two seasons, scoring 1,355 points. He played two seasons in the NBA with Charlotte and six pro seasons in Europe. Lynch remains in the public eye as an analyst in basketball telecasts for Fox Sports North.

**LARRY MCKENZIE, MPLS. HENRY, MPLS. NORTH, BOYS COACH --** McKenzie coached Patrick Henry to four consecutive state Class 3A championships from 2000 to 2003, and later returned to the Minneapolis scene with Minneapolis North and has picked up two more state titles, in 2016 and 2017 in Class 1A. He has the top winning percentage in state tournament games all time with a 20-2 record (.909). Also an author and motivational speaker, he has a 416-149 overall record.

**TOM NORDLAND, MPLS. ROOSEVELT, 1957 --** Nordland was regarded as the greatest jump shooter in state history up to that time as he led the Teddies to the 1956 and 1957 state championships. He averaged 27.8 points as a senior, sinking 84 in the state tournament. Nordland, who played at Stanford and lived in California for four decades before returning to Minnesota, stayed in basketball as a shooting guru with his “Swish” videos.

**JIMMY ROBINSON, OFFICIAL --** Robinson started in 1956 and was the first African-American to work the state tournament, in 1971. The St. Paul native moved up through Division III and II before landing in the Big Ten, where he referee’d from 1971 to 1987. A career educator, he has served the MSHSL as a supervisor of officials for many years.

**DAVE TSCIMPERLE, HOPKINS, 1953 --** Tschimperle led a Hopkins dynasty with state championships in 1952 and 1953 after a close runner-up finish in 1951. He made all-tournament three times and was top scorer in 1951 (57 points) and 1953 (70 points). Gopher
coach Dave McMillan (1927-49), scouting Tschimperle, called him the best player in state history up to that time. He played at Hamline, though, making the small-college All-America team.

**FRANK WACHLAROWICZ, LITTLE FALLS, 1975 --**

Wachlarowicz, a nimble and powerful post player, averaged 22 points as a senior in leading the Flyers to the 1975 state title. He scored 1,330 career points. “Frankie Alphabet” had a legendary small-college career at St. John’s, amassing 2,357 points and 1,093 rebounds in leading the Johnnies to two conference titles. He was a two-time All-American, and his scoring total was the state collegiate record until 2018.

**BARRY WOHLER, BIRD ISLAND-LAKE LILIAN, 1981 --**

Wohler led BI-LL to four state championships, two in basketball (1980 and 1981) as point guard, and two in football as quarterback. Wohler’s 1,535 career points included three buzzer-beating game-winners in six games at state. Basketball fans voted him to the all-century all-tournament team. He played basketball and baseball with the Gophers, pitched in the Dodgers chain five years (reaching triple-A) and returned to MN as a coach. Wohler nabbed another state title with Orono in 2011, which had a nice symmetry; his dad coached him, and he coached his son on the champ team.

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**MN Region Playoff Schedule**

**ALL GRADERS REFER TO THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR**

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**Teams may register for more than one region. See website for tournament details.**

**Region Champions will be invited to the MN State Championship. Teams with one loss invited to the MIT. Top two teams at STATE advance to Target Center in Minneapolis.
Suggs makes it official: basketball at Gonzaga

Jalen Suggs, Minnehaha Academy’s superstar guard and quarterback, pursued by top programs in the country for both sports, has chosen Gonzaga and basketball.

The decision, a surprise to no one, was announced Friday evening on ESPN2’s broadcast of the Redhawk Basketball Challenge, which had been moved to Target Center due to high interest.

His team had routed Park Center 89-68 and he was watching the second game, between Sierra Canyon (Cal.) and The Patrick School (N.J.). At halftime, Suggs sat with ESPN2 broadcasters to make his announcement, surrounded by classmates, friends, well-wishers and stargazers.

“From the day I started talking to the coaching staff to the minute I stepped on the campus, I kind of knew Gonzaga was the place for me,” said the 6-5 guard rated No. 6 in the 2020 class by ESPN and No. 10 by 247 Sports. “It’s like an extension from home. In so many ways, it replicates the Minnehaha community ... which is a perfect transition for me.”

Suggs also revealed that pro basketball overseas is still a “very serious” option and he’s talked to multiple teams. Equally devoted to football, his long list of suitors includes Alabama and Notre Dame, both of which he visited. He’s played in two state football finals, winning one, losing one, and three state basketball finals, going 3-0. He acknowledged that giving up football will be painful.

While Suggs decision was the headline, his team put on quite a show, too, at the Redhawks Basketball Challenge -- especially Saturday, when 17,353 fans and the ESPN audience watched them take on a Sierra Canyon (CA) team that include’s LaBron James’ son Bronny.

Caledonia trips Waseca, takes over No. 1 slot

The Caledonia boys toppled Waseca 81-73 on Saturday at the Rochester Hoops Challenge in a matchup of the top two ranked teams in Class 2A, reversing the 1-2 slots.

Noah King led with 30 points (5-for-10 on three’s), seven rebounds, five assists and two steals. Austin Klug sank 20 points. Eli King notched eight points, 10 assists, six rebounds and three steals. Casey Schultz added eight points.

For Waseca, junior guard Ryan Dufault drilled 32 points, surpassing 1,000 points in the process. Andrew Morgan added 20 and Kyreese Willingham 13.

Caledonia, which was ranked second before beating Waseca, has also defeated No. 3 Lake City, and will host No. 4 Minneapolis North on Saturday at 4:45 p.m.

Townley, North nip DeLaSalle 52-51

Minneapolis North edged DeLaSalle 52-51 on Tuesday at home in a duel of perennial powers in Class 2A and 3A, respectively. Davon Townley, 6-6 junior forward, led with 19 points, including the game-winner with nine seconds left. Quientrail Jamison-Travis made a steal with 1.5 seconds left to clinch it. Clifford Brown added eight points and Mario Sanders seven. For the Islanders, Jalen Travis netted 12 points and Cade Haskins and Kejuan White 10 each.

Delano deals Apollo first loss 71-56

The Delano Tigers dealt St. Cloud Apollo its first loss 71-56 in a duel of Class 3A top-ten teams on Tuesday. Keegan Smith led with 30 points. Terron O’Neill added 16 and Trey Longstreet 14. Max Otto snared 23 rebounds and Jack Balsiger blocked four shots as the Tigers held the Eagles 16 points under their season average. They made 25 of 34 free shots. “We did a good job in transition defense, rebounding, and taking care of the ball,” coach Terry Techam said. “We were also able to get to the free throw line.” Michael Gravelle and Jack Hoth scored 13 each and Chang Hoth 10 for Apollo.

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Strong lineup for first MN Basketball HOF Classic

The Minnesota High School Basketball Hall of Fame committee is holding the first annual Jack Link’s Hall of Fame Classic with three boys games and three girls games on Saturday, Jan. 18, at Anoka-Ramsey Community College. “We’ve got the number one, two and three senior girls in the state, and the best sophomores and freshmen as well, plus a rematch of last year’s 4A state final,” said Marc Hugunin. “We’ve got five of the top eight boys in the senior class and what I would consider to be number one and two teams.” The girls pairings will be Lakeville North vs. St. Michael-Albertville at 11 a.m., Mountain Iron-Buhl vs. Sauk Centre at 12:45 p.m., and Hopkins vs. Stillwater at 2:30 p.m. The boys lineup will be Eden Prairie vs. Park Center at 4:15 p.m., Hibbing vs. Hopkins at 6 p.m. and East Ridge vs. Rochester Mayo at 7:45 p.m. In each case, a JV game will precede the varsity games.

The 6-1 junior point guard shot 20-for-36 on field goals and 14-for-21 at the line — also notching his 1,100th career point — while logging seven rebounds, nine assists, and two steals, reports coach Kehinde Olafeso.

The previous conference game record was 53 by George Duncan of Humboldt in 1910.

How would anyone know about a record that was set two years before the Titanic sank? Well, John Vosejpka, athletic facilitator for St. Paul Public Schools, has taken it upon himself to serve as historian for the St. Paul Conference. He started this project in the 1970’s and has reams of information on a web site, saintpaulsports.org

The previous Harding record that Sharp broke was 47 points by Ken Reed in 2013.

Sharp is averaging 28.4 points for Harding (2-7). His previous high was 37 against Simley last season. With 1,033 points after the Washington game, he becomes the fourth Harding Knight to exceed 1,000.

Vosejpka reports that the conference has five 50-plus games on record. The others were Hank Riehm with 51 for Monroe (which no longer exists) in 1964, Dion Bradley with 52 for Highland Park in 2012 and Jalen Mobley with 52 for Johnson in 2015.
### State Boys Top 20 Rankings

#### Class 4A

1. Eden Prairie (2) 11-0
2. Park Center (5) 7-2
3. Cretin-Derham Hall (4) 8-2
4. Eastview (3) 10-1
5. Chaska (2) 9-2
6. Shakopee (2) 8-2
7. Hopkins (6) 8-2
8. East Ridge (4) 7-4
9. Tartan (4) 10-0
10. Lakeville South (1) 10-0
11. Robbinsdale Armstrong (6) 8-1
12. Champlin Park (5) 5-5
13. Prior Lake (2) 5-4
14. Edina (2) 6-4
15. Lakeville North (3) 5-5
16. Spring Lake Park (5) 8-2
17. Mounds View (3) 5-4
18. Rochester Century (1) 7-4
19. Cambridge-Isanti (7) 8-2

#### Class 3A

1. Minnehaha Academy (4) 8-2
2. Mankato East (2) 9-1
3. DeLaSalle (6) 6-2
4. Totino-Grace (4) 6-4
5. Marshall (2) 11-0
6. Austin (1) 10-1
7. Waconia (6) 8-2
8. Delano (5) 9-2
9. St. Cloud Apollo (8) 8-1
10. St. Peter (2) 8-3
11. Mound Westonka (6) 7-3
12. St. Croix Lutheran (3) 6-3
13. Columbia Heights (4) 5-2
14. Minneapolis Henry 7-3
15. Bloomington Kennedy (3) 8-3
16. Holy Angels (3) 6-3
17. Grand Rapids (7) 9-3
18. Bemidji (8) 6-3
19. Hibbing (7) 8-3
20. Princeton (7) 8-3

#### Class 2A

1. Caledonia (1) 11-0
2. Waseca (2) 9-3
3. Lake City (1) 10-1
4. Minneapolis North (5) 6-4
5. St. Croix Prep (4) 10-0
6. Perham (8) 9-0
7. Minnesota Valley Lutheran (2) 11-0
8. East Grand Forks (8) 9-0
9. Esko (7) 8-3
10. Stewartville (1) 9-2
11. Rockford (5) 9-2
12. Annandale (6) 8-0
13. Eden Valley-Watkins (6) 8-1
14. Osakis (6) 10-1
15. Goodhue (1) 8-1
16. Albany (6) 7-2
17. Fergus Falls (8) 7-3
18. Minnewaska Area (3) 6-3
19. Melrose (6) 8-3
20. Litchfield (5) 9-2

#### Class 1A

1. BOLD (2) 10-0
2. Henning (6) 9-1
3. Ada-Borup (8) 7-1
4. Southwest MN Christian (3) 10-0
5. Waterville-Elysian-Morristown (2) 10-1
6. West Central Area (6) 9-1
7. New Ulm Cathedral (2) 10-1
8. Springfield (2) 9-1
9. Parkers Prairie (6) 9-1
10. Fertile-Beltrami (8) 11-0
11. North Woods (7) 8-2
12. Blooming Prairie (1) 5-0
13. Cromwell-Wright (5) 8-1
14. Hayfield (1) 8-3
15. Mountain Lake-Comfrey (2) 7-1
16. Christ’s Household of Faith (4) 6-2
17. Nashwauk-Keewatin (7) 7-3
18. Clearbrook-Gonvick (8) 9-0
19. Ely (7) 8-2
Wolves need roster changes to get the style they want

By Terry Kunze
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The Minnesota Timberwolves are going through a transition period, adjusting their style of play to join the new NBA trend.

The new trend is shooting either in the paint or three-point shots, with a taboo on the mid-range jumper.

This philosophy came in with Gersson Rosas, the new president of basketball operations.

Although other teams have successfully executed this style, I feel that a team should, first of all, change the roster to make it possible.

Ryan Saunders, head coach, and staff have worked hard to implement this style, without much success. The Wolves are 15-22 and had a recent 11-game losing streak. They’ve been unable to make shots consistently for 48 minutes, coupled with a porous defense. Adjustments to the lineup have not resulted in wins. The future does not look bright, either.

My feeling is that roster changes, and re-evaluation of players, are necessary.

The only consistent shooter is the talented 7-footer Karl-Anthony Towns. I would not call any of his teammates great outside shooters. They can make shots, but they don’t show day-to-day consistency. Shot selection at times is not good, and with so many lineup changes, no real pecking order is established.

Andrew Wiggins has also played well, averaging 25 points. Other than Towns and Wiggins, you don’t know what anyone else will contribute, game to game. Maybe this is why playing time fluctuates so much.

My review of the Timberwolves roster:

Karl-Anthony Towns, 7-0 post — Averaging 26.5 points, 34 minutes. Upside: great player who scores inside and out, energetic rebounder who runs the floor, an all-star tough to cover. Downside: a poor defender prone to foolish fouls.

Andrew Wiggins, 6-8 small forward — Averaging 24.1 points, 36 minutes. Upside: great physical ability and skills, often-maligned but sometimes unfairly, one of the few Wolves who can create his own shot and get to the hoop in open court. Downside: an erratic shooter.

Jeff Teague, 6-2 point guard — Averaging 13.9 points, 29 minutes. Upside: has talent and shows it at times, great quickness, excellent ball skills, good scorer, tough to cover, can win for you down the stretch. Downside: over-dribbles and slows ball movement at times, and probably should be more aggressive.

Robert Covington, 6-9 small forward — Averaging 12.5 points, 29 minutes. Upside: he’s long and active, and I think he’ll be more effective going forward. Downside: often disappears in the offense when he’s needed most, shot selection not good at times, not a great passer.

Josh Okogie, 6-5 shooting guard — Averaging 7.6 points, 24 minutes. Upside: he’s the energy guy, always active, defends all, a real team player, does little things not seen on stat sheet, gets points on hustle plays, broken floor breaks, offensive rebounds. Downside: not a shooter.

Jerrett Culver, 6-6 small forward -- Averaging 8.9 points, 22 minutes. Upside: athletic with good ball skills, hard to defend, a rookie who should make progress. Downside: not a good shooter on field goals or free shots; best skill is getting to the hoop but this offense is not designed for him.

Gorgui-Dieng, 6-11 center — Averaging 7.5 points, 18 minutes. Upside: a coach’s player who takes charges, blocks shots, hits open shot at times, always gives 100 percent, solid post backup. Downside: turnover-prone...
(especially traveling), 3-pointer not his forte.

Jake Layman, 6-9 small forward — Averaging 10.5 points, 26 minutes. Upside: long, athletic wing who runs the floor, capable shooter with range, catch-and-shoot guy who has also shown lately he can get to basket. Downside: does not rebound well for his size; his injury is problem on the depth chart.

Treveon Graham, 6-5 small forward — Averaging 5.4 points, 21 minutes. Upside: he’s tough, and he defends; gets things done in transition and goes after every loose ball and rebound, a real trench-warfare player. Downside: erratic shooter, poor on 3-pointers.

Keita Bates-Diop, 6-9 power forward — Averaging 6.9 points, 18 minutes. Upside: he can shoot it, and is getting a better handle on the game. Downside: must be more aggressive in looking for shots, needs to get stronger.

Shabazz Napier, 6-1 point guard — Averaging 9.7 points, 21 minutes. Upside: athletic, plays hard, good “quicks.” Downside: he’s been up-and-down as backup PG, shot selection not good, sometimes tries to do more than he should.

Jordan Bell, 6-9 power forward — Averaging 3.2 points, 9 minutes. Upside: athletic defender, good rebounder, and a disruptor on defense, when he’s on the floor the whole team looks quicker. Downside: poor shooter.

Noah Vonleh, 6-9 power forward — Averaging 4.1 points, 13 minutes. Upside: athletic post, adequate backup, runs the floor. Downside: a bit undersized for what they ask him to do, no outside shot, and inconsistent minutes have hampered his production.

My conclusions:

The Wolves could use a real “beast” of 6-10 or more to defend and rebound, taking pressure off their best player. Towns cannot guard the good post players in the NBA and often gets in early foul trouble. They could pick and role with such a player, enabling Towns to roam and create post-up mismatches.

I think the Wolves should step it up. They have too many excuses when things don’t go their way. They are not really under the gun from the front office or coaching staff to produce what the fans want — wins!
## STATE GIRLS TOP 20 RANKINGS

### CLASS 4A

1. Hopkins (6) 13-0  
2. Farmington (1) 12-1  
3. Wayzata (6) 13-1  
4. Centennial (5) 12-1  
5. St. Michael-Albertville (8) 8-3  
6. Rosemount (3) 11-1  
7. Chaska (2) 8-3  
8. Elk River (8) 9-3  
9. Park Center (5) 11-2  
10. Stillwater (4) 8-4  
11. Maple Grove (8) 9-3  
12. Burnsville (3) 8-4  
13. Blaine (7) 10-2  
14. Eden Prairie (2) 6-5  
15. Lakeville North (3) 6-6  
16. Shakopee (2) 7-4  
17. Minnetonka (2) 7-4  
18. Cooper (6) 9-2  
19. Moorhead (8) 7-4  
20. Minneapolis South (6) 11-2

### CLASS 3A

1. DeLaSalle (4) 5-3  
2. Holy Angels (6) 6-4  
3. Becker (5) 7-2  
4. Simley (3) 8-2  
5. Austin (1) 12-2  
6. Red Wing (1) 12-1  
7. Marshall (2) 12-0  
8. Waconia (2) 7-5  
9. St. Paul Como Park (3) 7-4  
10. Hill-Murray (4) 8-5  
11. Mahtomedi (4) 10-2  
12. Mankato West (2) 8-3  
13. Alexandria (8) 10-3  
14. Hutchinson (2) 9-2  
15. Richfield (6) 12-0  
16. Hermantown (7) 11-1  
17. St. Peter (2) 9-3  
18. Willmar (5) 8-4  
19. St. Croix Lutheran (3) 8-3  
20. Mankato East (2) 7-5

### CLASS 2A

1. Sauk Centre (6) 11-1  
2. Fergus Falls (8) 11-1  
3. Minnehaha (4) 8-2  
4. Rochester Lourdes (1) 11-2  
5. New London-Spicer (3) 11-1  
6. Duluth Marshall (7) 10-1  
7. Proctor (7) 11-1  
8. Goodhue (1) 10-1  
9. Providence (5) 11-3  
10. Pelican Rapids (8) 11-0  
11. Waseca (2) 8-3  
12. Belle Plaine (2) 10-1  
13. Pine City (6) 8-1  
14. Albany (6) 8-2  
15. Hawley (8) 7-2  
16. Mesabi East (7) 11-1  
17. Royalton (6) 10-1  
18. Stewartville (1) 9-4  
19. Lake City (1) 11-4  
20. Holy Family (5) 8-4

### CLASS 1A

1. Minneota (3) 12-0  
2. Cromwell-Wright (7) 11-1  
3. Mountain Iron-Buhl (7) 8-2  
4. Walker-Hackensack-Akeley (5) 10-1  
5. Blooming Prairie (1) 9-1  
6. Henning (6) 11-1  
7. Cherry (7) 9-2  
8. Mayer Lutheran (4) 10-1  
9. Waterville-Elysian-Morristown (2) 11-0  
10. Hills-Beaver Creek (3) 9-0  
11. Southwest MN Christian (3) 8-1  
12. Park Christian (6) 11-1  
13. Heritage Christian (4) 7-3  
14. Springfield (2) 9-1  
15. Ada-Borup (6) 7-1  
16. BOLD (2) 9-3  
17. Buffalo Lake-Hector-Stewart (2) 9-2  
18. Sleepy Eye St. Mary’s (2) 11-2  
19. Central MN Christian (2) 9-2  
20. EGF Sacred Heart (8) 10-2
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The top teams from the 5-state area of Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin are invited annually. All teams play 5-6 games in two days. Teams play in “regional” brackets on Saturday (3-4 games) and advance based on Saturday results for Sunday Final Four brackets (2 games).

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