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City of Lakes and Hoops

Minneapolis Conference: pride & passion for 120 years

By Bruce Strand

Minneapolis is the state's biggest city with some of its oldest schools, many of which have played basketball against each other for over a century. Indeed, the Minneapolis Conference is the oldest in the state, according to the district's website, mpschoools.org. It started shortly after 1900 with Central, East, North and South as the original schools. West was added in 1907.

There were 11 schools by the 1940's. Since 1982, when three schools were closed, the conference has consisted of the current seven: North, South, Southwest, Washburn, Edison, Patrick Henry, and Roosevelt.

With all that familiarity, there's a rich history and lots of pride in this ancient City of Lakes conference where basketball is king and there's short distances to travel for all the games and the neighborhoods support their teams boisterously.

"Absolutely. I mean, I'm proud to be part of this conference," said Myles Shepherd, coach of the Washburn boys who played for the Millers in the 2012 state tournament. "I think the history says it all. We've got lots of state champions, dating back many years."



Washburn's Cooper Carlson (5) drives against South's Jamari Stewart Scott in a duel for first place.

Bruce Strand, MN Basketball News

MBBN talked to Shepherd and South coach Joe Hyser after Washburn beat South 60-54 at South on Wednesday evening in a duel for the conference lead before a big crowd that turned out for each team.

"Two great teams that play the right way and play hard," Shepherd assessed. "Every night, there's going to be intensity. There's a lot of passion in this conference, man. Tons of passion."

Said Hyser, a lifelong Minneapolitan who played for DeLaSalle and Minneapolis Community Tech, and has coached in the city for over 30 years: "You can talk about the Hopkins' and Wayzata's and Park Center's and all these suburban schools, and they don't have that atmosphere that city conferences do. You got an educated base here that lives basketball."

Washburn trailed by 10 in the second half but stormed back to claim their 11th win against one loss, led by 6-foot-11 Kyle Jorgensen, who scored 25 points inside and outside, dominated the backboards, and made several assists, including long bullet passes downcourt after snagging rebounds. Blake Bergren and Donovan Okwor added eight points each.

Romero Walker, a willowy 6-foot-8 center, led South with 20 points, working against Jorgensen. Poet Davis hit 17 points and Jumerian Weh 11.

South is 9-2, including a 79-76 win over at North two nights earlier, which Hyser said was North's first home court loss to a city team since South beat them in 2015.

"I knew it was going to be hard for us, coming off an emotional win at North," Hyser said. "Washburn played really well. They came back from being down by 10. I think we just unraveled a little bit and we couldn't get shots to go down. We were 3-for-26 on three-pointers and we are a good shooting team."

The Minneapolis Conference has a Top Ten team in three different classes with North at No. 2 in 2A, South at No. 5 in 3A and Washburn at No. 8 in 4A.

"This is our best year since jumping back up to 4A," Shepherd said. "We've got a D1 player (Jorgensen) committed to Colorado State leading our group, and a bunch of scrappy guys ready to chip in."

His team can count on a good fan base, too. "Our road games truly feel like home," he noted. "I think we've got the best crowd in the state. Our fans travel like crazy. A lot of it is geographically; we're so close there's no reason for fans not to come, especially when we're playing good basketball."

The Minneapolis Conference is not as strong top to bottom as it was in the old days before open enrollment. Talented city players are known to slip away to suburban teams and private schools now. Hyser had a young team go 18-7 two years ago and most of the players transferred, including a current Park Center standout who recently passed 1,000 points.

"All that stuff happens these days," he said. "Taking after the college kids with the (transfer) portal. I mean, it's a different culture we live in now."

The Minneapolis Conference has claimed 20 state championships — eight of them by North, including three straight from 1995-97, and six by Patrick Hen-

ry, including four straight from 2000-03. Washburn has three and Roosevelt two. Central had the first one, 1921. Central was one of the schools closed in 1982 along with West and Marshall University.

Larry McKenzie coached six state champion teams: four at Henry in Class 3A and two more when he revived the sagging North program and won two in 1A.

North has produced four of the five Mr. Basketball winners from the conference: Redd Overton, Brett McNeal, and Derek Reuben in the 1980's, and Khalid El-Amin in 1997. The other was Robert Mestas of Roosevelt (1995). El-Amin was probably the greatest player to come out of the city, going on to lead UConn to an NCAA championship.

Jorgensen averages 23 points for Washburn. Cooper Carlson is next with 11 ppg. Davis is pumping in 20.8 ppg for South, followed by West with 17 and Walker with 11.8. Southwest (7-4) features Liam Farniok, who's averaging 22.7 points after leading the conference with 24 ppg last year.

Minneapolis North, currently coached by Ricky Davis, a former Timberwolf, is 9-3 overall. The Polars are led by Zashon Rich with 19.2 ppg, Marcus Marshall Jr. with 16.8 and Jakari Miamen with 10.4. Rich is committed to Kansas State for football.

The conference champion gets to participate in another great city tradition: a playoff with the St. Paul champion. Last year, that was North beating St. Paul Johnson in the "Twin Cities Game," as it's called. "They (St. Paul) play a similar style as us and honestly that's the battle of the year," said Shepherd.

Washburn currently leads the conference with a 4-0 mark, followed by South with 3-1, North 2-1, Southwest 2-1, Edison 0-2, Henry 0-3 and Roosevelt 0-3.

They play each other twice a year and every game is serious, Hyser said: "The kids fight so hard to win because they're in contact with the others so much. It's for bragging rights."



South's Romero Walker (5) dueled Washburn's Kyle Jorgenson.

“The Road to the Target Center” is now paved and ready!

By Jeff McCarron

64-team NCAA-style format now ready for all Minnesota teams in grades 4-9

Minnesota kids are lucky! Pacesetter now offers an 8-region, 64-team NCAA-style state championship playoff with a 5-state 8-team playoff at the Target Center as the ultimate fantasy.

The Pacesetter STATE Playoffs – 2024 – Grades 4-9

8 regions for grades 4-7: Limit of 8 teams per region

Region 7 • Feb. 17-18 • Mountain Iron, Grand Rapids

Region 6 • Feb. 17-18 • Alexandria

Region 4-5 • Feb. 24-25 • St. Cloud

Region 4-5 • March 2-3 • St. Cloud

Region 3 • March 9-10 • Redwood Falls

Region 1 • March 16-17 • Rochester/Stewartville

Region 8 • March 16-17 • Bemidji

Region 2 • March 23-24 • Lake Crystal

4 Super Sections for grades 8-9:

Southeast (Regions 1 & 4) • March 17 & 24 • Rochester

Southwest (Regions 2 & 3) • March 17 & 24 • Lake Crystal

Central (Regions 5 & 6) • March 17 & 24 • Monticello/St. Cloud

North (Regions 7 & 8) • March 17 & 24 • St. Cloud

See specific grades and genders in schedules on page 5.

All teams playing in a region will play 3-4 games. Ideally, each region will have 8 teams. Each Super Section includes two regions, so the limit will be 16 teams.

Teams may play in any region/section and may play in more than one playoff. “First come, first served” – all playoffs are still open. Registered teams and open spots will be published in the Jan. 26 issue of MN BB News.

The Minnesota region champions and Super Section champions and runners-up will be invited to the **32nd Annual Pacesetter Minnesota Youth Basketball State Tournament** in St. Cloud on April 6-7.

The Minnesota state champions and runners-up will be invited to represent Minnesota in the 8-team Pacesetter Great Five-State Championships with each team guaranteed to play a minimum of one game on the main Target Center floor, home of the NBA



T-Wolves and WNBA MN Lynx. Teams from North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, and Wisconsin will fill out the 8-team brackets via qualifying tournaments and invitations.

The Great State games have a play-by-play announcer, a music DJ for introductions of every player and coach, and opportunities for team photos at center court and courtside with the Great State banner. All teams will attend a Minnesota Lynx game.

Pacesetter began the Minnesota Youth Basketball Tournament in 1993. Over 20,000 Minnesota players have played over 31 years. The Pacesetter Great Four-State Tournament began in 2010 and became the Great Five-State Tournament in 2018 when Wisconsin joined the field.

See the 64-team NCAA-style Pacesetter state tournament brackets on the next page.

Register soon to claim a spot for your teams in the Pacesetter STATE Playoffs: www.pacesettersports.net.



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“The teams and sportsmanship at the Pacesetter tournaments are second to none.”

Brent Dschaak, Bismarck, ND

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Tammy Lilly, Dakota Valley, SD

“The 6th grade girls from WI - Waukesha North, could not have been more appreciative for all you did to make the experience a very memorable one. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you!!!”

Chad R. Osmanski, Waukesha, WI

“The Great State Tournament is a great event and experience for the players and families. The tournament is well ran, organized and fun. The kids come away with some great memories they will remember forever.”

Pam Goedken, West Dubuque, IA

ROAD TO THE TARGET CENTER!

2024 Minnesota Youth Basketball State Championships


Boys & Girls Grades 4-7

Region 1: Stewartville/Rochester - March 16 & 17
*5&7BG - 4&6BG

Region 2: Lake Crystal - March 23 & 24
*4&6BG - 5&7BG

Region 3: Redwood Falls - March 9 & 10
*5&7BG - 4&6BG




Region 4: St. Cloud - Feb 25 & March 3
*4B-7B - 4G-7G



State Tournament
St. Cloud, MN
Sunday, April 7

Champions & Runners-up
advance to play in the
Great 5-State at the
Target Center

MN - IA - WI - ND - SD

Region 5: St. Cloud - Feb 24 & March 2
*4B-7B - 4G-7G

Region 6: Alexandria - Feb 17 & 18
*4&6BG - 5&7BG

Region 7: Gr Rapids/Mt. Iron - Feb 17 & 18
*5&7BG - 4&6BG

Region 8: Bemidji - March 16 & 17
*5&7BG - 4&6BG

For Further Information and Registration
<https://www.pacesettersports.net/mn-championship/>

*Guide: 5&7BG - 4&6BG = 5th & 7th Boys & Girls - Saturday - 4th & 6th Boys and Girls - Sunday

State bracket pairings will be seeded once teams are finalized, not necessarily as represented on this bracket


ROAD TO THE TARGET CENTER!

2024 Minnesota Youth Basketball State Championships

Boys & Girls Grades 8-9

North Super Section: St. Cloud - March 17 & 24
*8G&9G - 8B&9B




Central Super Section: Monticello/St. Cloud - March 17 & 24
*8B&9B - 8G&9G



State Tournament
St. Cloud, MN
Sunday, April 7

Champions & Runners-up
advance to play in the
Great 5-State at the
Target Center

MN - IA - WI - ND - SD

Southeast Super Section: Rochester - March 17 & 24
*8G&9G - 8B&9B

Southwest Super Section: Lake Crystal - March 17 & 24
*8G&9G - 8B&9B

For Further Information and Registration
<https://www.pacesettersports.net/mn-championship/>

*Guide: 8G&9G - 8B&9B = 8th & 9th Girls - 3/17 - 8th & 9th Boys - 3/24

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ROAD TO THE TARGET CENTER

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Boys & Girls Grades 4-9

2024 Minnesota YOUTH BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP Region Playoffs

NEW in 2024!

- Limit of 8 teams – grades 4-7 in 8 regions
 - Limit of 16 teams – grades 8-9 in 4 Super Sections
- All MN school/community-based teams may register to play at any site.
Regional teams have first priority to fill spots – through November 30
Non-region teams that have registered will get any open spots on Dec. 2

ALL GRADES REFER TO THE 2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR

Region 1

Stewartville/Rochester • March 16 • Boys & Girls Grades 5 & 7
Stewartville/Rochester • March 17 • Boys & Girls Grades 4 & 6

Region 2

Lake Crystal • March 23 • Boys & Girls Grades 4 & 6
Lake Crystal • March 24 • Boys & Girls Grades 5 & 7

Region 3

Redwood Falls • March 9 • Boys & Girls Grades 5 & 7
Redwood Falls • March 10 • Boys & Girls Grades 4 & 6

Region 4

St. Cloud • February 25 • Boys Grades 4-7
St. Cloud • March 3 • Girls Grades 4-7

Region 5

St. Cloud • February 24 • Boys Grades 4-7
St. Cloud • March 2 • Girls Grades 4-7

Region 6

Alexandria • February 17 • Boys & Girls Grades 4 & 6
Alexandria • February 18 • Boys & Girls Grades 5 & 7

Region 7

Grand Rapids • February 17 • Boys & Girls Grade 5
Grand Rapids • February 18 • Boys & Girls Grade 4
Mt. Iron-Buhl • February 17 • Boys & Girls Grade 7
Mt. Iron-Buhl • February 18 • Boys & Girls Grade 6

Region 8

Bemidji • March 16 • Boys & Girls Grades 5 & 7
Bemidji • March 17 • Boys & Girls Grades 4 & 6

Southeast Super Section-Regions 1 & 4

Rochester • March 17 • Girls Grades 8 & 9
Rochester • March 24 • Boys Grades 8 & 9

Southwest Super Section-Regions 2 & 3

Lake Crystal • March 17 • Girls Grades 8 & 9
Lake Crystal • March 24 • Boys Grades 8 & 9

Central Super Section-Regions 5 & 6

Monticello • March 17 • Boys Grades 8 & 9
St. Cloud • March 24 • Girls Grades 8 & 9

North Super Section-Regions 7 & 8

St. Cloud • March 17 • Girls Grades 8 & 9
St. Cloud • March 24 • Boys Grades 8 & 9



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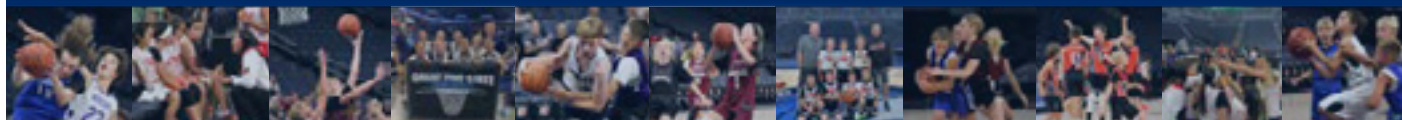
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Region/Section high finishers – Pacesetter MIT – Minnesota Invitational Tournament
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Gabe Hein dunked for Blooming Prairie.

Submitted photo

Blooming Prairie in breakout season

By Bruce Strand

Blooming Prairie, after three years with a combined 19-50 record, has started the current season 11-0, with a veteran lineup led by senior Gabe Hein.

“We have had multiple guys make a big jump in their development from last season to this season. We are now an experienced team,” said third-year coach Cam Rutledge, noting that five starters returned and a freshman is a sixth cog in the rotation. “Our team strengths include our height and athleticism.”

Gabe Hein, senior 6-foot-5 forward, averages 27.4 points, 10.8 rebounds, 3.2 assists, 3.2 steals, and 1.6 blocks. He’s had games of 49 (school record) and 45 points. His twin, Zach, 6-foot-4 forward, averages 15.2 points, 7.7 rebounds and five assists. Brady Kittelson, junior guard, averages 18.4 points, 3.7 assists and 3.7 steals. Gabe Staloch, freshman guard, averages eight points and 3.6 rebounds. Cooper Cooke, junior, is the fifth starter, Top subs are senior guard Kolby Vigeland and junior forward Jacob Pauly.

Blooming Prairie has just one state trip, in 1966. They qualified in 2020, going 25-3 and beating Hayfield for the section title, but the pandemic intervened.

Bueckers is back in great form at UConn

By Bruce Strand

Paige Bueckers, the former Hopkins superstar, is back among the elite of college basketball after 17 months away from the sport with two knee injuries. UConn’s six-foot junior point guard -- named the nation’s top player as a freshman -- is averaging 18.9 points, 2.3 steals, 4.4 rebounds and 3.8 assists in 28.8 minutes, after 16 games. She’s hitting 47 percent on three’s.



Paige Bueckers

Bueckers, Iowa’s Caitlin Clark, and LSU’s Angel Reese are the headliners in the mid-season top 25 list for the Wooden Award, according to ESPN. Clark won it last year and Reese was the MVP of the Final Four.

When Bueckers got the Wooden Award as a freshman, she averaged 20 points, 4.9 rebounds, 5.7 assists, 2.3 steals, and 36.2 minutes. UConn went to the Final Four ranked No. 1 but was upset by Arizona in the semifinals. In an injury-shortened sophomore season (17 games), she averaged 14.6 points and 29 minutes. She missed the entire 2022-23 season after a summer knee injury.

Ironically, with Bueckers healthy again and returning to All-America form, several UConn teammates have gone down to injuries, most notably junior guard Azzi Fudd, an All-American last year. The Huskies are 13-3 and have dropped to No. 13 in the rankings.

Bueckers is pondering whether to play another season at UConn or declare for the WBNA draft. ESPN projected her as the No. 3 pick. Her decision probably won’t be financially motivated; she’s earning NIL paychecks from Nike, Gatorade, StockX and Crocs. Sports Illustrated listed Bueckers as one of the top female earners under NIL.

One factor in Bueckers’ decision might be the pursuit of a national title. UConn has 11 championships under coach Geno Auriemma but none so far during Bueckers’ tenure. State titles were elusive, too, at Hopkins. She reached the state finals five times, winning only during her junior year. Her final game in 2020 was canceled at the onset of the pandemic when Hopkins faced a Farmington team they had routed earlier.

BSM star returns with big game

By Bruce Strand

Olivia Olsen, Benilde-St. Margaret's senior, playing just her second game of the season, scored 30 points and surpassed the 2,000-point marker in an 82-70 win over Jordan on Jan. 4. Olson led BSM to the Class 3A state title last year and was the goalie for the Red Knights' state soccer champion team this fall. The 6-foot-1 point guard, who has signed with Michigan, injured her hand in the season opener against Providence Academy. She scored 21 on Tuesday a 66-58 win over Chaska, her second game back. The Red Knights are 5-5 with all their losses against top-ten teams.

David Galovich of Crosby-Ironton notched his 800th coaching win Jan. 5 when the Rangers (10-0) defeated Pillager 82-69. Galovich had 19 wins at Erskine and 23 at St. Michael-Albertville, spending three years at each school, before arriving at Crosby-Ironton in 1985. This is Galovich's 40th season with the Rangers. His total record is 901-390 with nine state tournaments and four runner-up finishes.

Spring Grove has a 7-1 record despite missing their best player, Elijah Solum, due to a knee injury suffered in AAU ball. Solum, who has 1,214 points, was cleared to play this week and will be in uniform Friday against Medford, coach Wade Grinde reported. "We will ease him back in as best we can," Grinde said.

Neil Steffes, Fertile-Beltrami boys coach, notched his 500th win when the Falcons beat Win-E-Mac 86-59 in their season opener. This is Steffes' 31st season. The Falcons are 7-1.

Lake City, with Hunter Lorenson recovered from ankle and hamstring injuries, beat Caledonia 79-54 Saturday. Lorenson, their scoring leader last year, missed seven games. The Tigers were 4-3 without him and 4-3 since he returned. Lorenson sank 22 points and Alec McElmury 20 against Caledonia.

Jordan Zubich of Mountain Iron-Buhl passed the 3,000-point marker while scoring 33 points in a 100-35 win over North Woods at home on Thursday evening. The sharpshooting guard signed by North Carolina is averaging 26 points in her fifth year as a starter, leading the Rangers to a 14-2 record. With 3,009 points, she is not yet the MIB girls record-holder, but should be soon. Chelsea Mason, 2017 graduate, had 3,035 points.

AROUND THE STATE

Tresa Baumgard has broken the Chisholm girls career point record that stood for 40 years. The 6-foot center tallied 32 points in a 71-49 win over Greenway on Jan. 5, passing the mark of 2,172 set by Judy McDonald, leader of Chisholm's 1984 state champion team. Baumgard, a starter since seventh grade, is averaging 30.6 points for the Bluejackets (10-2). She has committed to Minnesota State-Moorhead.

Wayzata, unbeaten, top-ranked, defending Class 4A champion, repelled No. 4 Lakeville North 94-76 there Jan. 4, and held off a hot-shooting East Ridge team 74-64 on Monday, improving to 11-0. They nipped Class 3A's top-ranked Totino-Grace 83-81 on Dec. 9. Otherwise East Ridge is their closest game. Jackson McAndrew averages 22.3 points, Christian Wiggins 13.4, Ben Schafer 11.1 Wyatt McBath 11.0 and Isaac Olmstead 9.0. Olmstead had 25 against Lakeville.

Jocelyn Land, Holy Family six-foot forward, is averaging 33.6 points, 11.3 rebounds, and 1.6 blocks, shooting 52 percent on field goals and 83 percent on free shots. She scored a school record 45 points in a 73-56 win over Visitation. She averaged 24 points as a junior and 19 as a sophomore. HFC has a 10-4 record.

Class 3A had some interesting clashes Saturday. Top-ranked Totino-Grace edged Benilde-St. Margaret's 72-68, led by Isaiah Johnson-Arigo with 20 points, eight rebounds and eight assists. Tyler Wagner added 16 points and Chase Watley 13. Mankato East held off Stewartville 64-63, after leading by 19 in the second half. The Cougars were led by Brogan Madson with 19 points, eight assists and four steals. Henry Tschetter hit 25 points for Stewartville. Orono topped Alexandria 77-68 with Nolan Graves sinking 29 points and Brady Wooley 20. Alexander's Grayson Grove, a Gophers recruit, has missed three games with an ankle injury and will be out for a while, said coach Forrest Witt.

St. Louis Park (5-7) handed Fridley (7-1) its first loss 90-87 Saturday with Micah Curtis sinking 27 points and Marley Curtis 22. Gideon Cooper had 22 and Trenon Woodall-Jones 19 for Fridley.

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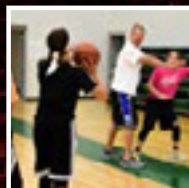
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MBBN BOYS TOP 20

CLASS 4A

1. Wayzata 11-0
2. Park Center 12-1
3. Minnetonka 7-1
4. Farmington 10-2
5. Lakeville North 7-4
6. Shakopee 8-2
7. Hopkins 9-2
8. Minneapolis Washburn 10-1
9. Osseo 9-3
10. Waconia 8-2
11. Buffalo 8-2
12. Rogers 9-2
13. Lakeville South 8-4
14. Cretin-Derham Hall 7-2
15. Woodbury 7-3
16. Tartan 8-2
17. Forest Lake 6-3
18. Eagan 6-5
19. Mounds View 8-3
20. Sauk Rapids-Rice 8-3

Records are through Tuesday

CLASS 3A

1. Totino-Grace 7-3
2. Mankato East 10-1
3. Delano 9-3
4. Orono 7-3
5. Minneapolis South 9-1
6. Alexandria 7-3
7. Stewartville 7-3
8. DeLaSalle 5-5
9. Columbia Heights 8-0
10. Fridley 7-1
11. Benilde-St. Margaret's 3-6
12. Hutchinson 11-2
13. Mankato West 9-3
14. Byron 10-1
15. Chisago Lakes 8-3
16. St. Cloud Tech 7-3
17. St. Paul Johnson 5-1
18. Detroit Lakes 10-1
19. St. Paul Harding 7-2
20. Hermantown 8-5

CLASS 2A

1. Breck 10-0
2. Minneapolis North 8-3
3. Holy Family 7-5
4. Lake City 8-3
5. Esko 6-2
6. Caledonia 9-2
7. Eden Valley-Watkins 8-1
8. Annandale 7-2
9. Albany 8-2
10. Crosby-Ironton 10-0
11. Foley 8-1
12. Morris Area/Chokio-Alberta 8-2
13. Pelican Rapids 11-1
14. MN Valley Lutheran 9-1
15. Lake Crystal Wellcome Memorial 9-3
16. Southwest Christian 7-2
17. Blake 7-3
18. St. Paul Academy 7-3
19. Sauk Centre 8-2
20. Cannon Falls 8-2

CLASS 1A

1. Cherry 9-2
2. Dawson-Boyd 13-0
3. Nevis 7-0
4. West Central Area 9-2
5. Ada-Borup West 9-0
6. Sleepy Eye 8-1
7. Red Lake County 9-0
8. Blooming Prairie 11-0
9. Henning 10-2
10. Sleepy Eye-St. Mary's 8-3
11. Heritage Christian 8-1
12. Fertile-Beltrami 7-1
13. Mt. Lake Area/Comfrey 9-1
14. Spring Grove 7-1
15. Southwest MN Christian 6-3
16. Hills-Beaver Creek 7-2
17. Kingsland 8-0
18. Rushford-Peterson 10-3
19. Hillcrest Lutheran 7-1
20. Southland 7-2

MBBN GIRLS TOP 20

CLASS 4A

1. Minnetonka 11-0
2. St. Michael-Albertville 13-0
3. Hopkins 11-2
4. Eden Prairie 13-1
5. Wayzata 9-3
6. Maple Grove 8-2
7. Rosemount 10-3
8. Lakeville North 7-4
9. Andover 8-2
10. Eastview 10-3
11. White Bear Lake 9-4
12. Stillwater 9-2
13. Anoka 8-4
14. Roseville 8-2
15. Lakeville South 9-5
16. Chaska 7-5
17. Blaine 9-4
18. Elk River 6-4
19. Prior Lake 6-8
20. Rochester Mayo 10-2

CLASS 3A

1. DeLaSalle 10-2
2. Benilde-St. Margaret's 5-5
3. Delano 13-0
4. Alexandria 11-2
5. Marshall 10-1
6. Monticello 12-1
7. St. Peter 10-1
8. Totino-Grace 10-2
9. Byron 9-2
10. Rock Ridge 11-1
11. Minneapolis Roosevelt 10-3
12. Winona 9-3
13. Stewartville 9-5
14. New Ulm 11-2
15. Orono 7-4
16. Fridley 8-5
17. Cretin-Derham Hall 6-5
18. Becker 6-3
19. Mankato East 7-6
20. Mahtomedi 7-4

CLASS 2A

1. Providence Academy 11-2
2. Minnehaha Academy 14-2
3. Albany 10-1
4. New London-Spicer 10-0
5. Jordan 10-2
6. Crosby-Ironton 10-3
7. Dover-Eyota 14-1
8. Perham 12-2
9. Holdingford 10-2
10. Pequot Lakes 10-1
11. Pelican Rapids 11-1
12. Winona Cotter 9-2
13. Watertown-Mayer 10-2
14. Sauk Centre 9-3
15. Rochester Lourdes 9-3
16. St. Croix Lutheran 6-6
17. Holy Family 10-4
18. NRHEG 12-1
19. Duluth Marshall 6-6
20. Proctor 10-3

CLASS 1A

1. Goodhue 11-3
2. Mountain Iron-Buhl 13-2
3. Hancock 11-1
4. Sleepy Eye 12-1
5. Hayfield 14-1
6. Buffalo Lake-Hector-Stewart 9-2
7. Fosston 11-0
8. Kelliher-Northome 9-1
9. Cass Lake-Bena 9-1
10. Mayer Lutheran 7-5
11. Underwood 8-2
12. Minneota 10-2
13. Nevis 8-2
14. Southwest MN Christian 9-1
15. Ogilvie 11-1
16. Braham 10-2
17. Westbrook-Walnut Grove 10-1
18. Walker-Hackensack-Akeley 9-3
19. Sacred Heart 10-1
20. Breckenridge 9-3

*Records are
through Tuesday*



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TOP 100 EXPO SHOWCASE

College of St. Benedict
St. Joseph, MN

Tuesday, July 2



The Top 100+ Players in each class are being invited along with select players from North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Iowa.

Seeking player nominations from head coaches for the 2024-25 Watch List. Email player name and school to Jeff McCarron at jmac8144@yahoo.com



COLLEGE PREP BASKETBALL CAMP

Monday, July 1

The Pacesetter "College Prep" program is designed for male and female players entering grade 9 through college freshman seeking to play basketball in college. Players will be taught high-level skills by college coaches in a comprehensive one-day, 7-hour format. Players will be given the best tips to become a successful college player on and off the court.

