

# **Pacesetter**

## **2026 Minnesota Youth Basketball State Championships**

### **General Information**

#### **Check in procedure: Sign in and provide roster**

Team coordinators should sign in, turn in a paper copy of the team roster, and pick up the team packet. Two coaches may sign in without paying admission along with one team manager, who will be working the score table. Each coach and team manager should sign in and wear a wristband throughout the day. No more than three adults are allowed on the team bench.

#### **Admission for fans**

An ALL-DAY pass is \$10.00 for ADULTS and \$5.00 for STUDENTS K-12. Children who have not attended kindergarten are free. Spectators with stamps are asked to show their admission stamp when passing by the admissions table. Any spectator in the gym without a stamp will be asked to pay double or leave the building.

#### **Tournament Format**

Each tournament bracket will be set up to provide a minimum of three games for each team. Starting times will be clearly posted. Teams are asked to be at their court 10 minutes prior to game time.

#### **NO FOOD OR COOLERS ALLOWED – unless notified otherwise**

Please let all parents and players know this rule in advance. No food or drinks — other than bottled water or sports drinks for players — may be brought in from the outside. Concession stands will be available at each site unless teams are notified otherwise.

#### **Practice basketballs**

Teams should bring their own practice basketballs, which are the responsibility of each team. A bag of 6 balls should be enough.

#### **Game uniforms**

Teams should also bring two colors of uniforms in the event teams match the same color. Reversible jerseys are ideal. Numbers on both front and back are required since individual fouls will be recorded.

#### **Awards**

Plaques and medals will be awarded to high-finishing teams and players.

#### **Invitations to Great State at the Target Center**

The top two teams will receive invitations to the Pacesetter Great Five-State tournament in Minneapolis.

#### **Post-game contact and Team Photos**

After their final game, teams should remain at the tournament until a Pacesetter staff member makes contact. Coaches should organize their team for a team photo at this time. **Parents are encouraged to join the group and take photos.** Pacesetter will take a photo of each championship and runner-up team.

#### **Sportsmanship**

Please remind players and fans of the importance of their conduct. We need to appreciate officials. There will certainly be judgment calls by the officials that you would like to be called another way, especially in a close game, ---THAT'S A PART OF BASKETBALL---so everyone is asked to accept that reality with maturity – and set a GREAT example for all young players. Thank you for your efforts and participation.

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