KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



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DISTRICT BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS THIS WEEK

Basketball enters the postseason with District Tournaments slated for this week. Tournament brackets are posted on the KHSAA/Riherd's Scoreboard and are updated with scores nightly.

REGIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENTS NEXT WEEK

Boys' and Girls' Regional Tournaments are slated for next week. Brackets will be posted on the KHSAA/Riherd's Scoreboard Sunday evening as they are received. The Scoreboard will be updated nightly with scores as they are received.

View District/Regional Tournament Brackets: www.khsaa.org/scoreboard.

BASKETBALL MEDIA CREDENTIALS

Media Credential Request Forms were mailed out Monday, Feb. 28. Forms are due back to the Association by Wednesday, March 9.

HALL OF FAME BANQUET TICKETS ON SALE

Tickets for the 18th Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame banquet are currently on sale. The Class of 2005 will be inducted at the banquet scheduled for Tuesday, March 15 at the Lexington Convention Center's Bluegrass Ballroom (next to Rupp Arena). Tickets are \$40 each or a table of 10 may be purchased for \$375.

Following is a listing of this year's class of inductees: Gordon Bocock, John "Hop" Brown, Jack Fitzpatrick, Kym Hampton, L.V. McGinty, Jr., Ray Mills, Don Morris, Philip Reverman, Sr., Phil Rollins, Joyce Seymour, Sherrill Sipes, Stan Steidel, Paul Stevens, Robert Washington, Paul Woodall and Reba Woodall.

To purchase tickets, contact Butch Cope or Marilyn Mitchell.

BASKETBALL TICKETS NOW ON SALE AT VENUES

Tickets sales for both the National City/KHSAA Boys' & Houchens Industries/KHSAA Girls' Sweet 16® State Basketball Tournaments have now ended through the Association office. Tickets are now on sale through the Rupp Arena Box Office (859-233-3535) and ticketmaster.com for the boys' event and through the Diddle Arena Box Office (270-745-522 or 800-5-BIG-RED) for the girls' event.

Once the fields are set, each of the sixteen participating teams in both events will have tickets available for \$7 each in the pep section.

This is a reminder to order your tickets now. Tickets purchased at the arena for either tournament will incur an additional walk-up charge per ticket.

WOODFORD COUNTY CAPTURES WRESTLING TITLE

Woodford County captured its 12th KHSAA State Wrestling Championship Saturday night at the Frankfort Convention Center. The Jackets finished first with 183.5 points. LaRue County and Ryle tied for second at 138.5 while defending champion Campbell County was fourth at 131.5 and Wayne County fifth at 121.5.

Richard Starks was the lone individual champion for the Jackets, taking home the 189-pound weight class title. Coty Lewis was the other Woodford County wrestler in a final match, but came up short in a 5-3 loss to Fern Creek's Caleb Wood.

Wayne County (103 and 130), Ryle (119, 140), Lawrence County (135, 145) and Trinity (Louisville) (171, 275) each had two individual state champions.

Other Championship honors:

Quickest Pin – Jason Hardin of Pleasure Ridge Park (215) – pin in 0:10

Most Pins in Least Total Time - Travis Sullivan of Wayne County (103) - 5 pins in 7:47

Orville Williams Outstanding Wrestler Award – Kyle Ruschell of Ryle (119)

Referee of the Year - David Barnett

Coach of the Year - Rusty Parks and Joe Carr of Woodford County

First Corbin Financial Corporation Individual Sportsmanship Award – Bryan Hall of Paducah Tilghman (275)

First Corbin Financial Corporation Team Sportsmanship Award – LaRue County

Full tournament results are posted on the Association website at www.khsaa.org/wrestling.

UPCOMING KHSAA CALENDAR

Tues., March 15 – Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Induction Banquet – Lexington Center, Lexington Wed.-Sat., March 16-19 – National City/KHSAA Boys' State Basketball Tournament – Rupp Arena, Lexington Wed.-Sat., March 23-26 – Houchens/KHSAA Girls' State Basketball Tournament – WKU Diddle Arena, Bowling Green

NEXT RELEASE

The next regular release will be posted on March 7, 2005.