

**National Junior College Athletic Association
Division I Women's National Basketball Championship**

BULLETIN OF INFORMATION

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COACHES...please complete the following tasks immediately following the regional or district tournament that qualifies you for national championship play.

1. Complete the “**2008-2009 Official Women's Basketball Tournament Roster Form**” on the NJCAA website. This information will be needed for the tournament program. Please also reply to the e-mail or phone call you will receive from Bob Davidson at the Salina Journal. He will compile player stats for the newspaper, which we will pull for the recruiters.
2. Prepare a team photo and team logo to send electronically.
 - a. Electronically – Black and White; 5” wide x 7” tall
(.tif at least 300 dpi OR high resolution PDF file (provide on disk, cd or e-mail))
 - b. Logo electronic .jpg at least 72 dpi
3. Send items 1 and 2 above so that they are received within 24 hours after the regional or district tournament that qualifies you for national championship play. Send via e-mail to [**tbenien@salinakansas.org**](mailto:tbenien@salinakansas.org) Please place *your region* (1-24) and *your college name* in the subject line.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The Bracket

The Championship will take place at the Bicentennial Center in Salina, Kansas Tuesday through Saturday, March 17-21, 2009

Sixteen teams will qualify to participate in the 2009 NJCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship. These sixteen teams will come from the following districts (regions): District A (1); B (2); C (3,4,12,20); D (5); E (6); F (7); G (8); H (9); I (10, 15, 17); J (11, 13); K (14); L (16); M (18); N (22); O (23); and P (24).

All sixteen (16) teams will be seeded into the tournament on the basis of (in no particular order), regional placement in the national tournament the previous year; strength of district; national poll; overall and JUCO record. The seeding committee will consist of eight (8) sectional directors. Should a member of the seeding committee coach a team that is participating in the tournament, that individual will be excluded from the seeding process.

First Round:

Tuesday, March 21	10:00 AM	Seed 3 vs. Seed 14
Tuesday, March 21	12:00 Noon	Seed 6 vs. Seed 11
Tuesday, March 21	2:00 PM	Seed 7 vs. Seed 10
Tuesday, March 21	4:00 PM	Seed 2 vs. Seed 15
Tuesday, March 21	6:15 PM	Seed 1 vs. Seed 16
Tuesday, March 21	8:15 PM	Seed 8 vs. Seed 9
Wednesday, March 22	12:00 noon	Seed 5 vs. Seed 12
Wednesday, March 22	2:00 PM	Seed 4 vs. Seed 13

Remaining Games:

Wednesday, March 22	4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm
Thursday, March 23	10:00 am, 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm
Friday, March 24	12:00 pm, 2:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm and 8:00 pm
Saturday, March 25	1:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 5:00 pm, 7:00pm

The tournament will be played using a false double elimination format.

NOTE: The sponsor, acting with the NJCAA Representative, may allot the host region (Region 6) the feature game in their first round of play.

Tickets and Admission

Ticket prices for the 2009 championship will be \$10.00 per day general admission, or a general admission tournament pass may be purchased for \$40. Tickets are available by calling the Salina Bicentennial Center at (785) 826-7469 or 1-888-826-SHOW or online at www.bicentennial.org

QUALIFYING TEAM'S INFORMATION

TEAM HOST: Once the seeding of the tournament bracket is complete, a Team Host will be assigned to each team qualifying for the Championship. Your Team Host will make contact prior to arrival, and help your team with general information such as directions, and finding an alternative practice site throughout the week.

MONDAY PRACTICE: A 30-minute practice will be scheduled at the Bicentennial Center Arena for each team on Monday. This schedule follows. This practice is open to media, other teams and general public. Other sites for practice will require a letter of Insurance from your college.

Monday, March 16, 2009

a.	8:30	- (Seed 16)	i.	12:30	- (Seed 1)
b.	9:00	- (Seed 15)	j.	1:00	- (Seed 2)
c.	9:30	- (Seed 14)	l.	1:30	- (Seed 3)
d.	10:00	- (Seed 13)	l.	2:00	- (Seed 4)
e.	10:30	- (Seed 12)	m.	2:30	- (Seed 5)
f.	11:00	- (Seed 11)	n.	3:00	- (Seed 6)
g.	11:30	- (Seed 10)	o.	3:30	- (Seed 7)
h.	12:00	- (Seed 9)	p.	4:00	- (Seed 8)

COACHES MEETING: A **mandatory** pre-tournament coaches meeting will be held at the Bicentennial Center at 3:15 PM, Monday, March 16th.

NJCAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION HALL OF FAME BANQUET: A pre-tournament team banquet will be held in Heritage Hall of the Bicentennial Center, Monday, March 16th at 6:00 PM. Semi-formal dress is requested. Each team will be provided 20 tickets. Additional tickets may be purchased for \$15.00 each by contacting Tiffany at Visit Salina (785) 827-9301.

NJCAA WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION MEETING: A meeting of the NJCAA Women's Basketball Coaches Association will be held immediately following the Hall of Fame Banquet on Monday, March 16th at the Holiday Inn Convention Center. All coaches are asked to attend.

OPENING CEREMONIES: An opening ceremony will take place on Tuesday, March 17 following the 4:00pm game. Teams will need to report to the West end of the Arena immediately following the 4:00pm game. The Head Coach of each team will be presented with an award during this ceremony. The award will be presented by one of the Blue Thunder Special Olympic Athletes. It is tradition for teams to provide their assigned Special Olympic Athlete with memorabilia (such as a t-shirt, or signed ball) with their team logo. Teams should dress in their team attire, jerseys or warm-ups for the ceremonies are appropriate.

AWARDS: Awards will be presented to the first, second, third and fourth place teams. Each individual player on the first place team (16 players maximum) will receive a NJCAA gold medal. Each individual player on the second place team (16 players maximum) will receive a NJCAA silver medal. A Coach of the Tournament, a Most Valuable Player, the Albert Lea Cox Sportsmanship Team, and a ten (10) player All-Tournament team will be selected and presented with awards.

Hotel Assignments

<u>District</u>	<u>Hotel Assignment</u>
A (Region 1)	Holiday Inn Express
B (Region 2)	Holiday Inn Convention Center
C (Region 3-12-15-20)	Sleep Inn
D (Region 4-13)	Country Inn & Suites
E (Region 5)	Holiday Inn Convention Center
F (Region 6)	Holiday Inn Convention Center
G (Region 7)	Country Inn & Suites
H (Region 8)	Baymont Inn & Suites
I (Region 9)	Sleep Inn
J (Region 10-17)	Holiday Inn Express
K (Region 11-16)	Holiday Inn Convention Center
L (Region 14)	Holiday Inn Convention Center
M (Region 18)	Sleep Inn
N (Region 22)	Holiday Inn Convention Center
O (Region 23)	Country Inn & Suites
P (Region 24)	Country Inn & Suites

As per NJCAA Bylaws, all teams must honor the above lodging assignments or incur the cost of those rooms. Each team has been guaranteed nine (9) rooms. Additional rooms must be negotiated individually.

The following hotel contacts and addresses have been provided for your information:

Holiday Inn Express, 201 E. Diamond Dr., Salina, KS 67401
Jessica Robison, 785-827-9000

Holiday Inn Convention Center, 1616 W. Crawford, Salina, KS 67401
Shelley Donaldson, 785-823-5606

Country Inn and Suites, 2760 S. Ninth, Salina, KS 67401
Glenda Newell, 785-827-1271

Baymont Inn, 745 W. Schilling Rd, Salina, KS 67401
Annette Archer, 785-493-9800

Sleep Inn, 2932 S. Ninth, Salina, KS 67401
Sara Franco, 785-404-6777

Once qualified for the 2009 national tournament, each team is responsible for immediately contacting their assigned hotel and confirming their reservation.

Transportation

The following information has been provided to assist with your transportation needs. Due to the tremendous demand for 12 and 15 passenger vans, teams are encouraged to book as early as possible.

12 & 15 Passenger Vans, SUVs and Mini Vans

Enterprise Rent-A-Car

645 E. Crawford
Salina, KS 67401.

Contact: Marcus Rothchild (785) 825-1100

Hertz Rent A Car

Salina Municipal Airport
3230 Arnold Ave
Salina, KS 67401

Contact: Corey Richards (785) 827-7237

Long McArthur Ford

3450 S. 9th
Salina, KS 67401

Contact: Matt in Rental at (785) 827-5842

Full Size Cars and Mini Vans and SUVs Only

Conklin Cars South

2700 S. Ninth
Salina, KS 67401

Contact: Ask for Rental (785) 825-8271

Motor Coach

Salina Charter

804 N. Ninth
Salina, KS 67401

Contact: Dallas Liles (785) 825-4410

Kansas Agencies--Wichita and Kansas City—Reservations

Alamo, 1-800-327-9633

Avis, 1-800-331-1212

Budget, 1-800-527-0700

Dollar, 1-800-800-4000

Enterprise, 1-800-325-8007

Hertz, 1-800-654-3131

National Car Rental, 1-800-328-4300

Payless, 1-800-541-1566

Thrifty, 1-800-367-2277

MEDIA INFORMATION

Arrangements for media passes, both in advance and during the tournament, including print, radio, photo and TV, should be made with the Bicentennial Center, (785) 826-7200.

MEDICAL PERSONNEL

Amber Sawyers, PA-C/ATC of Salina Sports Medicine and Orthopedic Clinic will be the Coordinator of Tournament Medical Services. For more information please see the WBB Div I Trainer Letter from Amber located on the NJCAA tournament site, or for specific information e-mail Amber at asawyers@ssmoc.kscocnet.com

RADIO

KSAL of Salina is the official radio station for the NJCAA Division I Women's Basketball tournament. Stations taking a feed from KSAL, or broadcasting with their own crew, will be charged a fee of \$150.00 per game, with a two game minimum.

For information, please contact: Dave Riggert, KSAL, PO Box 80, Salina, KS 67402-0080. Phone: 785-823-1111; Fax: 785-823-2034

T-SHIRTS

Championship T-Shirts will be available on-site through Commercial Signs. For more information contact Mike Cooper (785) 825-6367.

VIDEO

Videotapes containing a play-by-play analysis of each game will be available through Legleiter Video Productions. You may contact them by telephone at 1 (800) 486-5951 or email at kurt@legvideo.com or lvp@legvideo.com. Visit their web site at www.legvideo.com.

WEBSITES

During the tournament for updated scores and statistics go to:

www.VisitSalina.org

or

www.bicentennial.org

or

www.njcaa.org