

2021 State “A” Basketball Championships Denny Sanford PREMIER Center – Sioux Falls March 18, 19 & 20

General Tournament Information

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS:

Dr. John Krogstrand, Assistant Executive Director, SDHSAA
Mr. Paul Seville, Director, Sanford Frontiers

HOST VENUE:

Denny Sanford PREMIER Center
1201 West Avenue
Sioux Falls, S.D. 57104
605.367.7288

PRACTICE SESSIONS:

Wednesday practice sessions will be available to each qualifying team in one-hour segments based upon distance from the host venue. Times are as follows (all listed in Central Time):

9:00 – 10:00 AM – Sioux Falls Christian	1:00 – 2:00 PM – Dakota Valley
10:00 – 11:00 AM – Dell Rapids	2:00 – 3:00 PM – Chamberlain
11:00 – 12:00 Noon – Vermillion	3:00 – 4:00 PM – Winner
12:00 – 1:00 PM – Sioux Valley	4:00 – 5:00 PM – St. Thomas More

TEAM ENTRANCES:

Teams will be asked to enter the Premier Center through the main-level entrance on the north-east side of the building by the loading dock area. All buses will be allowed to park immediately north of the Premier Center.

TEAM LODGING:

Team lodging has been arranged for participating teams at the Best Western Plus Ramkota in Sioux Falls. Each participating team has rooms reserved for its needs for Wednesday through Saturday night. It is your responsibility to contact the hotel and make payment arrangements for your rooms, as well as cancel any rooms that you do not need.

COACHES MEETING:

There will be a mandatory Coaches’ Meeting on Wednesday evening at 5:15 PM in the PREMIER Center. All coaches and administrators are welcome to attend, but at least one representative per school must be present.

SEEDING & FIRST ROUND PAIRINGS:

Thursday's First-round pairings and seeding are as follows (All Times Central Time):

12:00 Noon	#1 Seed	v.	#8 Seed
2:30 PM	#4 Seed	v.	#5 Seed
5:00 PM	#2 Seed	v.	#7 Seed
7:30 PM	#3 Seed	v.	#6 Seed

Friday and Saturday game times will be the same as Thursday.

STATE TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS:

This year's officials, as selected by the SDHSAA Basketball Officials' Selection Committee are as follows:

Brad Coleman, Sioux Falls Chad DeJong, Hartford Gregg DeSpiegler, Watertown Pete Entringer, Colman Kris Frericks, Aberdeen Beau Garcia, Sturgis	Christopher Janisch, Sioux Falls Jason Kono, Hartford Chris Long, Garretson James Ricketts, Jr., Sioux Falls Allan Schmaltz, Rapid City Lee Taylor, Harrisburg
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SPORTSMANSHIP & TOURNAMENT CONDUCT:

All school administrators and coaches of participating schools in the SDHSAA State Basketball Tournament are expected to help demonstrate and regulate behavior to model a positive approach. School administrators accompanying their team and fan sections to the State Tournament should review the section on Arena Fan Conduct Rules as listed in the General Sports Information section of the SDHSAA Handbook prior to the State Tournament, and be expected to help keep fan sections in compliance with these regulations.

VIDEOTAPING POLICY:

Coaches should review the videotaping policy as listed on Page 13 of the General Sports Information section of the SDHSAA Handbook.

EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT:

Teams will be reimbursed based upon the guidelines as adopted by the SDHSAA Board of Directors. This reimbursement listing can be found in the General Sports Information section of the SDHSAA Handbook.

TEAM ROSTER:

Team rosters will be utilized from those posted on SDHSAA website.

TICKETS FOR PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS:

For each school that qualifies for the State Tournament, the following tickets will be provided to you, free of charge:

- Eight All-Tournament Tickets for use by school administration (mailed to schools)
- Twenty contestant passes for use by players and student managers
- Six passes for coaches, bus drivers and statisticians
- Passes for cheerleaders will be provided, up to a maximum of eight

Any additional passes, if needed, must be purchased by the school through the normal fan entrances.

There will be no restrictions on fan attendance during the event, however NO REENTRY will be allowed in/out of the arena except for the most extenuating circumstances.

OFFICIAL BALL:

The official ball of the SDHSAA State Basketball Championships is the Baden Perfection Elite Pro. Host sites will be provided with enough balls for use during the tournament; teams do not need to bring their own for warm-ups or practice.

FCA DINNER:

There will be no FCA dinner this year.

SPIRIT OF SU:

Each year the Spirit of Su award is given to an outstanding senior player who exemplifies the life of SuAnne Big Crow of Pine Ridge. SuAnne was killed in a car accident on her way to the Miss Basketball Banquet in 1992. The application form is available on the SDHSAA website; coaches are encouraged to nominate one of their senior players for this award. Applications should be turned in during Wednesday's coaches meeting.

AWARDS:

All awards will be presented following each game on Saturday as opposed to previous practices. Details will be provided to each team during the coaches meeting.

The SDHSAA will award four team trophies and four plaques as well as twenty individual medals will be given to each team. No individuals will be announced; awards will be presented team-by-team.