

2024 NSAA Girls State Basketball Championships

**Wednesday, February 28th – Saturday, March 2nd
Pinnacle Bank Arena ~ Bob Devaney Sports Center
Lincoln East High School
Lincoln, NE**



Media Guidelines

All credentials must be worn and visible at all times and are only to be used by full-time and/or significant part-time employees. Those employees must be in a legitimate working capacity. NSAA media credentials are not for the use of children, sponsors, friends, family, spouses, parents or other individuals not representing a legitimate media outlet. Members of the media not abiding by these guidelines will have credentials reviewed for future events.

To view the schedule for the **NSAA Girls State Basketball Championships**, [PLEASE CLICK HERE.](#)

GENERAL MEDIA GUIDELINES FOR ALL SITES

Parking: Media parking information for each site is specified below. Your NSAA media credential will serve as your parking pass to the respective lots at each site.

Admission: Media **must show & display** NSAA issued media credentials for free admission and media access to the Championship. After admission, media members should proceed to the designated media workspace. Site specific information is available below. Championship programs and any other additional information will be available in these designated media workspaces.

Floor Access/Photography: Media requiring floor access will checkout an NSAA Media vest. ALL media members on the floor during games will be REQUIRED to wear an NSAA Media Vest. Those that do not have a vest will be asked to leave the floor. Photographers are asked to be conscious of their surroundings when shooting photos during games. Cooperation with Championship staff is required.

Information will be distributed later this week on a new process for shooting photos & videos of postgame celebrations. That information will also be available onsite at all venues.

Broadcasting: Broadcast request forms must be submitted by **4 PM Monday, February 26th.** Any live coverage of NSAA State Championships will be subject to Broadcast Rights fees. Girls Basketball Broadcast Rights fees are \$60/game, with an eight (8) game maximum charge, per tournament. Please specify if you will be broadcasting 3rd place games. The Broadcast Request Form is available below. The NSAA will try to assist with all reasonable accommodation requests when possible.

****Live Video/Streaming coverage is prohibited without the expressed written consent of the NSAA.***

Conduct/Etiquette: Team attire (i.e. booster buttons, team shirts, etc.) will not be permitted by members of the working media. Cheering directed toward a specific school or participant will not be allowed particularly courtside. Our goal is to maintain equity in the competitive environment.

Interviews: Any interviews are at the discretion of the coaches before or after competitions. ***No interviews will be conducted on the floor or in locker rooms.*** Please conduct interviews in the nearest hallway.

Web Coverage: All Quarterfinals on Wednesday and Thursday and all Semifinals on Friday will be available live via the NFHS Network - <http://www.nfhsnetwork.com/associations/nsaa>

Championship Finals: Saturday will be aired live on television and online via Nebraska Public Media. For your information, there will be TV timeouts in the first and third quarters of each championship game at the first dead ball after the 4:00 mark. Updates may be found throughout the championship on the NSAA website and via the [NSAA Events Twitter](#) account.

Questions prior to the championships may be directed to Jeff Stauss at 402-489-0386 or jstauss@nsaahome.org.

During the championships, questions can always be directed to the onsite NSAA Staff at each respective site.

Guidelines for Pinnacle Bank Arena: Media Contact: Jeff Stauss

Parking: Media members may park in the festival parking lot northwest of Pinnacle Bank Arena (see map link below). Your NSAA Media Credentials will grant you **free parking** in this lot. **For those of you with heavier equipment, you may 'DROP OFF' your gear with security at the Gate 2 Team Parking Lot, which is directly on the northwest side of the arena and then proceed to the Festival Lot.** [Click Here for a PBA Parking Map.](#)

Entrance: The media entrance is on the northeast side of the arena, through the "Marshalling Door", at the back of the Gate 4 parking lot.

Clear Bag Policy: Pinnacle Bank Arena will have their clear bag policy in effect for spectators. **Media will not be subject to this policy when using the media entrance.**

Media Workspace: The media work room will be on the lower level on the east side of Pinnacle Bank Arena. There will be signs to help guide you. Programs and additional information will be located in the Media Work Room. Data lines will be available for photo/content uploading.

Broadcasters: Space will be assigned along the court floor or in the media area in Section 120/121 for those that have submitted a Broadcast Request Form to the NSAA. Please limit your setup/tear down time to 10-15 minutes prior to and after the game to accommodate the needs of other broadcasters. Ethernet lines will be available on broadcaster's row.

Internet: Wireless information will be available on site.

Post Championship Game Interviews: Nebraska Public Media will conduct live postgame interviews immediately at the completion of each Championship Final. Immediately following the team photo, a postgame interview process will be facilitated by onsite staff, in a dedicated interview room at Pinnacle Bank Arena. Please see Jeff Stauss for more information.

Guidelines for the Devaney Sports Center: Media Contact: Colton Wierzbicki

Parking: Media members may park in **Lot 58** to the east of Devaney. Your NSAA Media Credentials will grant you *free parking* in this lot. The space is limited to a first come first serve basis. [Click Here for a Devaney Parking Map](#).

Clear Bag Policy: The University of Nebraska will have their clear bag policy in effect for spectators. **Media will not be subject to this policy when using the media entrance.**

Entrance: Media entrance will be through lower level entrance on the north side of Devaney. Please proceed to Media workroom for vest checkout and championship programs.

Media Workspace: The media work room will be in *Room 193* on the lower level (southwest corner). There is additional workspace available in the southwest corner of the main concourse as well.

Broadcasters: Space will be assigned along the courtside floor for those that have submitted a Broadcast Request Form to the NSAA. Please limit your setup/tear down time to 10-15 minutes to accommodate the needs of other broadcasters. Ethernet lines will be available on media row.

Internet: Wireless information will be available on site in the media work room.

Interviews: Any pre or postgame interviews are at the discretion of the coaches. Please conduct interviews in the nearest hallway. No interviews will be conducted on the floor.

Guidelines for Lincoln East HS:

Parking: Restricted parking will be available for media and event staff on the SOUTH side of the school. Your NSAA Media Credentials will grant you *free parking* in this lot. The space is limited to a first come first serve basis.

Entrance: Media entrance will be through the south side entrance. Please proceed to the media workroom for NSAA Media vest checkout and championship programs.

Media Workspace: There is limited floor seating for media. The media workroom will be in the SW corner off the gym.

Broadcasters: Space will be assigned for those that have submitted a Broadcast Request form to the NSAA. Please limit your setup/tear down time to 10-15 minutes to accommodate the needs of other broadcasters.

Internet: WiFi ("Athletics" network) will be available at Lincoln East.

Interviews: Any pre or postgame interviews are at the discretion of the coaches. Please conduct interviews in the nearest hallway. *No interviews will be conducted on the floor.*

2023-24 NSAA AUDIO BASED BROADCAST FORM



I certify the following employees, who possess a 2023-24 NSAA Media Credential, are involved with the coverage of high school sports. I also certify that the listed employee(s) will need space for live coverage of the NSAA Event (please circle below):

(circle) BOYS / GIRLS

Sport / Activity: _____

Date(s) of Event Coverage: _____

Event Location: _____

Sports Editor/Director: _____

Media Staff Covering Event**: _____

Organization/Station Call Letters/Internet Address: _____

Corporate Name: _____

Billing Address, City, Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Broadcast Type (Circle One): Radio Station Internet Audio

***any fees incurred by the NSAA for phone line installation/service, including long distance fees will be charged to the respective media outlets.**

List Team(s) / Class(es) / Sessions to be covered: _____

Will you broadcast the 3rd/4th place games should your team(s) be competing (if applicable)? YES / NO

Broadcast forms due by: 4:00pm (CST), Monday, February 26th

Submit via email to Alicia McCoy (amccoy@nsaahome.org) – Please DO NOT fax forms

The NSAA retains the right to deny or revoke credentials.

The selling or redistribution of images (still or video) from NSAA state championship events for personal or commercial gain is prohibited without the expressed permission of the NSAA.

*****Broadcasters must possess a 2023-24 NSAA Media Credential to be admitted to the contest site.***

No additional passes will be available on-site.