

GIRLS BASKETBALL

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Class A was divided into seven districts with the district champions and one wild-card team, selected on the basis of a point system, qualifying for the state tournament. Bellevue East was the wild-card team for Class A. Class B was divided into six districts with the district champions and two wild-card teams, selected on the basis of a point system, qualifying for the state tournament. Beatrice and Northwest were the Class B wild-card teams.

Classes C1, C2, D1 and D2 were divided into twelve sub-districts and six districts. The winners of the district finals in each class advanced to the state championships. The two non-district champions with the highest wild-card average received invitations to the state tournament. The Class C1 wild-card qualifiers were Chadron and Sandy Creek. Homer and Pender were the C2 wild cards. In D1, Exeter-Milligan and Hitchcock County received the wild cards. Elkhorn Valley and Lindsay Holy Family were the D2 wild-card winners.

For the fifth consecutive season, the NSAA played third-place games, pairing the two teams losing in the semifinal round. Paid attendance: 54,106.

2012

NSAA Girls State Basketball Championship Results

Class A

First Round

Omaha Central 59, Fremont 44
Papillion-La Vista South 58, Lincoln Northeast 41
Lincoln Southeast 54, Lincoln Southwest 45
Bellevue East 40, Columbus 36

Semifinals

Omaha Central 48, Papillion-La Vista South 40 OT
Lincoln Southeast 55, Bellevue East 36

Third Place

Papillion-La Vista South 60, Bellevue East 47

Championship Final

Omaha Central (29-1) 36, Lincoln Southeast (25-2) 35

Class B

First Round

Gretna 65, Elkhorn South 23
Beatrice 51, Northwest 34
Seward 71, McCook 50
Norris 63, Holdrege 57

Semifinals

Beatrice 47, Gretna 41
Seward 45, Norris 31

Third Place

Gretna 51, Norris 50

Championship Final

Seward (26-0) 46, Beatrice (18-5) 35

Class C1

First Round

Boone Central 22, Columbus Scotus 19
Minden 60, Hershey 54
Chadron 51, Lincoln Christian 49 OT
Sandy Creek 58, Concordia 41

Semifinals

Minden 51, Boone Central 41
Sandy Creek 52, Chadron 46

Third Place

Boone Central 55, Chadron 32

Championship Final

Sandy Creek (22-3) 51, Minden (22-3) 45

Class C2**First Round**

North Platte SP 47, Blue Hill 34

Crofton 48, Shelby-Rising City 46 OT

Lutheran High NE 46, Weeping Water 24

Pender 48, Homer 43

Semifinals

Crofton 34, North Platte SP 30

Lutheran High NE 43, Pender 32

Third Place

Pender 66, North Platte SP 58

Championship Final

Crofton (23-4) 41, Lutheran High NE (27-2) 28

Class D1**First Round**

Guardian Angels Central Catholic 54, Amherst 46

Friend 37, Exeter-Milligan 36

Hitchcock Co. 55, Sandhills/Thedford 45

Humphrey 56, St. Mary's 39

Semifinals

Guardian Angels Central Catholic 77, Friend 52

Humphrey 50, Hitchcock Co. 26

Third Place

Friend 59, Hitchcock Co. 54

Championship Final

Guardian Angels Central Catholic (21-7) 49, Humphrey (23-5) 43

Class D2**First Round**

Lindsay Holy Family 67, Hay Springs 25

Howells 56, Ansley 32

Elkhorn Valley 44, Giltner 42

Wynot 55, Falls City SH 31

Semifinals

Howells 41, Lindsay Holy Family 33

Wynot 55, Elkhorn Valley 35

Third Place

Lindsay Holy Family 58, Elkhorn Valley 44

Championship Final

Wynot (26-3) 50, Howells (21-6) 47 OT

Championship Coaches

Class A – Thomas Lee, Omaha Central

Class B – Tom Tvrdy, Seward

Class C1 – Russ Ninemire, Sandy Creek

Class C2 – Aaron Losing, Crofton

Class D1 – Jerry Stracke, Guardian Angels Central Catholic

Class D2 – Steve Wieseler, Wynot

GIRLS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKETS

March 1-3, 2012

All Finals at Bob Devaney Sports Center

#7 Fremont (19-5), 43.3333 Game 1 – Sports Center Mar. 1 – 2:00 PM	Omaha Central 59-44 Game 5 Mar. 2 – 7:00 PM Sports Center	CLASS A O. Central 48-40 OT	#7 Blue Hill (19-4), 43.8696 Game 1 – Lincoln Southeast Mar. 1 – 2:00 PM	North Platte SP 47-34 Game 5 Mar. 2 – 2:00 PM Pershing	CLASS C2 Crofton 34-30
#2 Om. Central (26-1), 44.5926	Papio-LV So. 58-41 Game 8 6:30 PM Mar. 3 Sports Center Om. Central 36-35 Champion	#3 Shelby-Ris. City (23-1), 45.5000 Game 2 – Lincoln Southeast Mar. 1 – 3:45 PM #6 Crofton (20-4), 45.2917	#1 Luth. High NE (25-1), 46.7692 Game 3 – Lincoln Southeast Mar. 1 – 7:00 PM #8 Weeping Water (19-7), 42.7692	Crofton 48-46 OT Game 8 4:30 PM Mar. 3 Sports Center Crofton 41-28 Champion	#1 Lincoln SE (23-1), 45.7917 Game 3 – Sports Center Mar. 1 – 7:00 PM #8 Lincoln SW (17-7), 42.5417
#4 Columbus (22-3), 43.6400 Game 4 – Sports Center Mar. 1 – 8:45 PM #5 Bellevue East (20-5), 43.4800	Bellevue East 40-36 Game 6 Mar. 2 – 8:45 PM Sports Center	Papio-LV So. Game 7 Papio-LV So. 60-47 Mar. 3 – 12:00 PM Bellevue East	#4 Pender (22-3), 45.4400 Game 4 – Lincoln Southeast Mar. 1 – 8:45 PM #5 Homer (22-1), 45.3478	Luth. High NE 46-24 Game 6 Mar. 2 – 3:45 PM Pershing	Luth. High NE 43-32 North Platte SP Game 7 Pender 66-58 Mar. 3 – 10:00 AM Pender
#7 Elkhorn So. (14-11), 41.5600 Game 1 – Sports Center Mar. 1 – 9:00 AM #2 Gretna (24-1), 45.4800	Gretna 65-23 Game 5 Mar. 2 – 2:00 PM Sports Center	CLASS B Beatrice 47-41	#1 GACC (18-7), 45.6800 Game 1 – Lincoln Southwest Mar. 1 – 9:00 AM #8 Amherst (18-6), 43.2500	GACC 54-46 Game 5 Mar. 2 – 9:00 AM Pershing	CLASS D1 GACC 77-52
#6 Northwest (16-6), 43.2273 Game 2 – Sports Center Mar. 1 – 10:45 AM #3 Beatrice (16-4), 44.5000	Beatrice 51-34 Game 8 1:00 PM Mar. 3 Sports Center Seward 46-35 Champion	Seward 45-31	#5 Exeter-Milligan (20-4), 44.2083 Game 2 – Lincoln Southwest Mar. 1 – 10:45 AM #4 Friend (23-3), 45.0000	Friend 37-36 Game 8 11:00 AM Mar. 3 Sports Center GACC 49-43 Champion	#1 Seward (23-0), 45.5652 Game 3 – Pershing Mar. 1 – 7:00 PM #8 McCook (12-14), 40.1538
#5 Holdrege (20-2), 44.2273 Game 3 – Pershing Mar. 1 – 8:45 PM #4 Norris (19-4), 44.4348	Norris 63-57 Game 6 Mar. 2 – 3:45 PM Sports Center	Gretna Game 7 Gretna 51-50 Mar. 3 – 10:00 AM Norris	#7 Sandhills/Theod. (21-4), 43.6000 Game 3 – Lincoln Southwest Mar. 1 – 2:00 PM #2 Hitchcock Co. (23-1), 45.5833	Hitchcock Co. 55-45 Game 6 Mar. 2 – 10:45 AM Pershing	Humphrey 50-26 Friend Game 7 Friend 59-54 Mar. 3 – 2:00 PM Hitchcock Co.
#7 Col. Scotus (17-7), 43.2083 Game 1 – Pershing Mar. 1 – 9:00 AM #2 Boone Central (23-2), 45.1600	Boone Central 22-19 Game 5 Mar. 2 – 9:00 AM Sports Center	CLASS C1 Minden 51-41	#1 Lindsay HF (21-1), 46.4091 Game 1 – Lincoln Southeast Mar. 1 – 9:00 AM #8 Hay Springs (10-13), 39.6957	Lindsay HF 67-25 Game 5 Mar. 2 – 7:00 PM Pershing	CLASS D2 Howells 41-33
#6 Hershey (18-6), 43.7083 Game 2 – Pershing Mar. 1 – 10:45 AM #3 Minden (20-2), 45.1364	Minden 60-54 Game 8 9:00 AM Mar. 3 Sports Center Sandy Creek 51-45 Champion	Sandy Creek 52-46	#5 Howells (19-5), 45.2917 Game 2 – Lincoln Southeast Mar. 1 – 10:45 AM #4 Ansley (22-2), 45.4583	Howells 56-32 Game 8 8:30 PM Mar. 3 Sports Center Wynot 50-47 OT Champion	#1 Chadron (23-1), 45.8333 Game 3 – Pershing Mar. 1 – 2:00 PM #8 Lin. Christian (11-13), 40.5000
#5 Concordia (18-4), 44.2273 Game 4 – Pershing Mar. 1 – 3:45 PM #4 Sandy Creek (19-3), 44.6818	Sandy Creek 58-41 Game 6 Mar. 2 – 10:45 AM Sports Center	Boone Central Game 7 Boone Central 55-32 Mar. 3 – 12:00 PM Chadron	#2 Elkhorn Valley (22-4), 46.0769 Game 3 – Lincoln Southwest Mar. 1 – 7:00 PM #7 Giltner (16-7), 42.9565	Elkhorn Valley 44-42 Game 6 Mar. 2 – 8:45 PM Pershing	Wynot 55-35 Lindsay HF Game 7 Lindsay HF 58-44 Mar. 3 – 2:00 PM Elkhorn Valley
#3 Falls City SH (19-5), 45.5417 Game 4 – Lincoln Southwest Mar. 1 – 8:45 PM #6 Wynot (23-3), 44.3462	Wynot 55-31	#3 Falls City SH (19-5), 45.5417 Game 4 – Lincoln Southwest Mar. 1 – 8:45 PM #6 Wynot (23-3), 44.3462	#7 Giltner (16-7), 42.9565	#7 Giltner (16-7), 42.9565	#7 Giltner (16-7), 42.9565

BOYS BASKETBALL

Boys basketball had six classes in 2011-12. Each class qualified eight teams for the NSAA Boys State Basketball Championships held on March 8, 9 and 10, 2012, in Lincoln.

Class A was divided into seven districts with the district champions and one wild-card team, selected on the basis of a point system, qualifying for the state tournament. Omaha Bryan was the wild-card team for Class A. Class B was divided into six districts with the district champions and two wild-card teams, selected on the basis of a point system, qualifying for the state tournament. Gering and Beatrice were the Class B wild-card teams.

For the eighth year in NSAA history, Classes C1, C2, D1 and D2 also had two wild-card qualifiers. Classes C1, C2, D1 and D2 were divided into twelve sub-districts and six districts. The winners of the district finals in each class advanced to the state tournament. The two non-district champions with the highest wild-card average received invitations to the state tournament. The Class C1 wild-card qualifiers were Fairbury and Wahoo. Stanton and Lutheran High Northeast were the C2 wild cards. In D1, High Plains and West Boyd received the wild cards. Loomis and Sterling were the D2 wild-card winners.

For the third consecutive season, the NSAA played third-place games, pairing the two teams losing in the semifinal round. Paid attendance: 93,385.

2012 State Championship Results

Class A

First Round

Omaha South 64, Norfolk 59 OT
Papillion-La Vista 73, Lincoln Southeast 54
Omaha Central 56, Omaha Bryan 52
Lincoln North Star 54, Millard North 50

Semifinals

Omaha South 63, Papillion-La Vista 51
Omaha Central 67, Lincoln North Star 47

Third Place

Papillion-La Vista 80, Lincoln North Star 56

Championship Final

Omaha Central (30-0) 55, Omaha South (20-10) 38

Class B

First Round

South Sioux City 57, Crete 42
Omaha Gross 53, Gering 42
Beatrice 54, Lincoln Pius X 47
Scottsbluff 62, Aurora 59

Semifinals

South Sioux City 71, Omaha Gross 60
Scottsbluff 61, Beatrice 60

Third Place

Beatrice 60, Omaha Gross 56

Championship Final

Scottsbluff (25-3) 64, South Sioux City (19-7) 61

Class C1

First Round

Minden 52, Hershey 44
Wahoo 61, Milford 56
Boys Town 44, Lincoln Christian 42
Bishop Neumann 72, Norfolk Catholic 62 OT

Semifinals

Wahoo 73, Minden 69
Boys Town 76, Bishop Neumann 68

Third Place

Bishop Neumann 70, Minden 51

Championship Final

Boys Town (27-1) 58, Wahoo (24-4) 55

Class C2**First Round**

Ravenna 54, Johnson-Brock 39

Hartington Cedar Catholic 37, Stanton 35

Lutheran High Northeast 41, Twin River 40 OT

North Platte St. Patrick's 47, Ponca 33

Semifinals

Ravenna 79, Hartington Cedar Catholic 50

Lutheran High Northeast 58, North Platte St. Patrick's 51

Third Place

Hartington Cedar Catholic 69, North Platte St. Patrick's 51

Championship Final

Ravenna (28-0) 61, Lutheran High Northeast (23-3) 51

Class D1**First Round**

St. Mary's 53, Guardian Angels Central Catholic 50

Humphrey St. Francis 62, Overton 58

High Plains 61, Paxton 55 OT

Pawnee City 54, West Boyd 40

Semifinals

St. Mary's 45, Humphrey St. Francis 44

Pawnee City 52, High Plains 31

Third Place

Humphrey St. Francis 68, High Plains 49

Championship Final

St. Mary's (28-0) 56, Pawnee City (25-4) 54

Class D2**First Round**

Giltner 61, Hayes Center 36

Wynot 46, Falls City Sacred Heart 33

Howells 60, Leyton 46

Loomis 72, Sterling 54

Semifinals

Giltner 49, Wynot 38

Howells 45, Loomis 28

Third Place

Wynot 62, Loomis 57

Championship Final

Giltner (29-0) 52, Howells (26-2) 41 2OT

Championship Coaches

Class A – Eric Behrens, Omaha Central

Class B – Tony Siske, Scottsbluff

Class C1 – Tom Krehbiel, Boys Town

Class C2 – Paul Beranek, Ravenna

Class D1 – Gary Chvala, St. Mary's

Class D2 – Matt Drew, Giltner

BOYS BASKETBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKETS

March 8-10, 2012

All Finals at Bob Devaney Sports Center

#7 Omaha South (18-9), 42.1111 Game 1 – Sports Center Mar. 8 – 2:00 PM	Omaha South 64-59 OT CLASS A	#8 Johnson-Brock (19-8), 42.2222 Game 1 – Lincoln Northeast Mar. 8 – 2:00 PM	Ravenna 54-39 CLASS C2
#2 Norfolk (24-1), 44.6400	Game 5 Mar. 9 – 7:00 PM Sports Center	#1 Ravenna (25-0), 47.0000	Game 5 Mar. 9 – 2:00 PM Pershing
#3 Papio-LaVista (21-3), 43.5000 Game 2 – Sports Center Mar. 8 – 3:45 PM	Papio-La Vista 73-54	#5 Stanton (21-2), 44.6087 Game 2 – Lincoln Northeast Mar. 8 – 3:45 PM	Hartington CC 37-35
#6 Lincoln SE(16-8), 42.2083	Game 8 6:30 PM Mar. 10 Sports Center Om. Central 55-38 Champion	#4 Hartington CC(18-4), 44.9091	Game 8 4:30 PM Mar. 10 Sports Center Ravenna 61-51 Champion
#8 Omaha Bryan (17-9), 41.6923 Game 3 – Sports Center Mar. 8 – 7:00 PM	Om. Central 56-52	#2 Lutheran High NE(21-3), 45.6250 Game 3 – Lincoln Northeast Mar. 8 – 7:00 PM	Luth. High NE 41-40 OT
#1 Om. Central (27-0), 45.3333	Game 6 Mar. 9 – 8:45 PM Sports Center	#7 Twin River (20-4), 44.2083	Game 6 Mar. 9 – 3:45 PM Pershing
#4 Lincoln NS (19-6), 42.8000 Game 4 – Sports Center Mar. 8 – 8:45 PM	Lincoln NS 54-50	#3 North Platte SP (20-5), 45.1600 Game 4 – Lincoln Northeast Mar. 8 – 8:45 PM	North Platte SP 47-33
#5 Millard North (18-6), 42.5000	Game 7 Papio-LV 80-56 Mar. 10 – 12:00 PM Lincoln NS	#6 Ponca (22-3), 44.3600	Game 7 Hartington CC 69-51 Mar. 10 – 10:00 AM North Platte SP
#1 S. Sioux City (15-4), 45.6316 Game 1 – Sports Center Mar. 8 – 9:00 AM	S. Sioux City 57-42 CLASS B	#1 St. Mary's (25-0), 45.8400 Game 1 – Lincoln East Mar. 8 – 9:00 AM	St. Mary's 53-50 CLASS D1
#8 Crete (12-11), 40.8261	Game 5 Mar. 9 – 2:00 PM Sports Center	#8 GACC (11-14), 41.9600	Game 5 Mar. 9 – 9:00 AM Pershing
#4 Omaha Gross(19-4), 44.0435 Game 2 – Sports Center Mar. 8 – 10:45 AM	Omaha Gross 53-42	#5 Humphrey SF (20-4), 44.4583 Game 2 – Lincoln East Mar. 8 – 10:45 AM	Humphrey SF 62-58
#5 Gering (17-6), 43.6087	Game 8 1:00 PM Mar. 10 Sports Center Scottsbluff 64-61 Champion	#4 Overton (20-4), 44.5833	Game 8 11:00 AM Mar. 10 Sports Center St. Mary's 56-54 Champion
#7 Lincoln Pius X (14-7), 42.0000 Game 3 – Pershing Mar. 8 – 7:00 PM	Beatrice 54-47	#7 High Plains (17-7), 43.1667 Game 3 – Lincoln East Mar. 8 – 2:00 PM	High Plains 61-55 OT
#2 Beatrice (20-2), 45.3182	Game 6 Mar. 9 – 3:45 PM Sports Center	#2 Paxton (22-1), 45.4783	Game 6 Mar. 9 – 10:45 AM Pershing
#3 Scottsbluff (22-3), 44.8800 Game 4 – Pershing Mar. 8 – 8:45 PM	Scottsbluff 62-59	#6 West Boyd (18-5), 43.4348 Game 4 – Lincoln East Mar. 8 – 3:45 PM	Pawnee City 54-40
#6 Aurora (16-6), 42.2273	Game 7 Beatrice 60-56 Mar. 10 – 10:00 AM Beatrice	#3 Pawnee City (23-3), 45.2692	Game 7 Humphrey SF 68-49 Mar. 10 – 2:00 PM High Plains
#7 Hershey (17-5), 43.9091 Game 1 – Pershing Mar. 8 – 9:00 AM	Minden 52-44 CLASS C1	#7 Hayes Center (16-7), 43.9565 Game 1 – Lincoln Northeast Mar. 8 – 9:00 AM	Giltner 61-36 CLASS D2
#2 Minden (22-1), 45.6957	Game 5 Mar. 9 – 9:00 AM Sports Center	#2 Giltner (26-0), 46.1538	Game 5 Mar. 9 – 7:00 PM Pershing
#3 Wahoo (22-3), 44.3600 Game 2 – Pershing Mar. 8 – 10:45 AM	Wahoo 61-56	#3 Wynot (22-2), 45.6250 Game 2 – Lincoln Northeast Mar. 8 – 10:45 AM	Wynot 46-33
#6 Milford (18-3), 43.9524	Game 8 9:00 AM Mar. 10 Sports Center Boys Town 58-55 Champion	#6 FC Sacred Heart (16-8), 44.3333	Game 8 8:30 PM Mar. 10 Sports Center Giltner 52-41 2OT Champion
#8 Lin. Christian (15-10), 42.2800 Game 3 – Pershing Mar. 8 – 2:00 PM	Boys Town 44-42	#8 Leyton (17-6), 43.0435 Game 3 – Lincoln East Mar. 8 – 7:00 PM	Howells 60-46
#1 Boys Town (24-1), 46.1200	Game 6 Mar. 9 – 10:45 AM Sports Center	#1 Howells (24-1), 46.7600	Game 6 Mar. 9 – 8:45 PM Pershing
#4 Norfolk Cath.(19-6), 44.2800 Game 4 – Pershing Mar. 8 – 3:45 PM	Bishop Neu. 72-62 OT	#5 Loomis (17-6), 44.6957 Game 4 – Lincoln East Mar. 8 – 8:45 PM	Loomis 72-54
#5 Bishop Neu.(19-6), 44.0000	Game 7 Bishop Neu. 70-51 Mar. 10 – 12:00 PM Bishop Neumann	#4 Sterling (18-7), 44.8400	Wynot Game 7 Wynot 62-57 Mar. 10 – 2:00 PM Loomis