GIRLS BASKETBALL

Girls basketball had six classes in 2011-12. Each class qualified eight teams for the NSAA Girls State Basketball Championships, which were held March 1, 2 and 3, 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. 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
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 Krebsbiel, Boys Town
Class C2 – Paul Beranek, Ravenna
Class D1 – Gary Chvala, St. Mary’s
Class D2 – Matt Drew, Giltner
#7 Omaha South (18-9), 42.1111
Game 1 – Sports Center
Mar. 8 – 2:00 PM
#2 Norfolk (24-1), 44.6400

#3 Papio-La Vista (21-3), 43.5000
Game 2 – Sports Center
Mar. 8 – 3:45 PM
#6 Lincoln SE(18-8), 42.2083

#8 Omaha Bryan (17-9), 41.6923
Game 3 – Sports Center
Mar. 8 – 7:00 PM
#1 Omaha Central (27-0), 45.3333

---

**CLASS A**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Game 5 Mar. 9 – 7:00 PM</th>
<th>Omaha South 64-59 OT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Game 8 Mar. 10 – 2:00 PM</td>
<td>Ravenna 54-39</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**CLASS B**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Game 7 Mar. 9 – 2:00 PM</th>
<th>Lincoln NS 54-50</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Game 10 Mar. 10 – 2:00 PM</td>
<td>GACC 50-46</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**CLASS C1**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Game 1 Mar. 8 – 9:00 AM</th>
<th>Minden 52-44</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Game 4 Mar. 9 – 9:00 AM</td>
<td>Wahoo 73-69</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**CLASS C2**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Game 1 Mar. 8 – 11:00 AM</th>
<th>Boys Town 44-42</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Game 4 Mar. 9 – 11:00 AM</td>
<td>Howells 46-30</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**CLASS D1**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Game 1 Mar. 8 – 1:00 PM</th>
<th>St. Mary’s 53-50</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Game 4 Mar. 9 – 1:00 PM</td>
<td>St. Mary’s 53-50</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**CLASS D2**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Game 1 Mar. 8 – 11:00 AM</th>
<th>Wahoo 61-56</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Game 4 Mar. 9 – 11:00 AM</td>
<td>boys Town 58-55</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**CLASS E**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Game 1 Mar. 8 – 11:00 AM</th>
<th>Boys Town 64-61</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Game 4 Mar. 9 – 11:00 AM</td>
<td>Lemoore 62-49</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**CLASS F**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Game 1 Mar. 8 – 11:00 AM</th>
<th>Howells 46-30</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Game 4 Mar. 9 – 11:00 AM</td>
<td>Lincoln East 68-49</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

---

**CLASS G**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Game 1 Mar. 8 – 11:00 AM</th>
<th>Lincoln East 68-49</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Game 4 Mar. 9 – 11:00 AM</td>
<td>Willow Creek 62-49</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>