GIRLS BASKETBALL

Girls basketball had six classes in 2014-15. Each class qualified eight teams for the NSAA Girls State Basketball Championships, which were held March 5, 6 & 7, 2015 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. Millard West was the wildcard team for Class A. Class B was divided into six districts with the district champions and two wildcard teams, selected on the basis of a point system, qualifying for the state tournament. Norris and Omaha Gross Catholic were the Class B wildcard 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 wildcard average received invitations to the state tournament. The Class C1 wildcard qualifiers were Minden and Pierce. Freeman and Ponca were the C2 wildcards. In D1, Fullerton and Humphrey St. Francis received the wildcards. Stuart and Hampton were the D2 wildcard winners.

For the eighth consecutive season, the NSAA played third-place games in Classes C1, C2, D1 and D2, pairing the two teams losing in the semifinal round. There were no third place games in Classes A and B. Paid attendance: 52,914.

2015 State Championship Results

Class A
First Round
Norfolk 46, Omaha Benson 37
Bellevue West 48, South Sioux City 37
Omaha Westside 55, Millard West 40
Lincoln Northeast 58, Kearney 52
Semifinals
Norfolk 36, Bellevue West 23
Omaha Westside 61, Lincoln Northeast 49
Third Place (no third/fourth places)
Championship Final
Omaha Westside 53 (24-4), Norfolk 40 (15-13)

Class B
First Round
Omaha Gross Catholic 44, Elkhorn South 41
Lincoln Pius X 55, Scottsbluff 29
York 47, Elkhorn 37
Norris 46, Hastings 32
Semifinals
Lincoln Pius X 54, Omaha Gross Catholic 29
Norris 45, York 40
Third Place (no third/fourth places)
Championship Final
Lincoln Pius X 41 (22-2), Norris 33 (18-7)

Class C1
First Round
Pierce 56, Minden 48
Lincoln Christian 67, Omaha Concordia 47
Norfolk Catholic 66, Bishop Neumann 56
Kearney Catholic 62, Chadron 40
Semifinals
Pierce 45, Lincoln Christian 40
Kearney Catholic 61, Norfolk Catholic 26
Third Place
Lincoln Christian 67, Norfolk Catholic 50
Championship Final
Pierce 38 (22-6), Kearney Catholic 35 (26-3)

Class C2
First Round
Crofton 58, Ponca 27
Guardian Angels Central Catholic 78, Yutan 46
Hastings St. Cecilia 63, North Platte St. Patrick’s 36
Sutton 56, Freeman 38
Semifinals
Crofton 56, Guardian Angels Central Catholic 35
Hastings St. Cecilia 84, Sutton 38
Third Place
Guardian Angels Central Catholic 69, Sutton 28
Championship Final
Crofton 48, Hastings St. Cecilia 39

Class C1
First Round
Pierce 56, Minden 48
Lincoln Christian 67, Omaha Concordia 47
Norfolk Catholic 66, Bishop Neumann 56
Kearney Catholic 62, Chadron 40
Semifinals
Pierce 45, Lincoln Christian 40
Kearney Catholic 61, Norfolk Catholic 26
Third Place
Lincoln Christian 67, Norfolk Catholic 50
Championship Final
Pierce 38 (22-6), Kearney Catholic 35 (26-3)

Class C2
First Round
Crofton 58, Ponca 27
Guardian Angels Central Catholic 78, Yutan 46
Hastings St. Cecilia 63, North Platte St. Patrick’s 36
Sutton 56, Freeman 38
Semifinals
Crofton 56, Guardian Angels Central Catholic 35
Hastings St. Cecilia 84, Sutton 38
Third Place
Guardian Angels Central Catholic 69, Sutton 28
Championship Final
Crofton 48, Hastings St. Cecilia 39

Class D1
First Round
Dundy County Stratton 59, Humphrey St. Francis 58 (OT)
Howells-Dodge 55, Emerson-Hubbard 43
St. Mary’s 75, Friend 73
Blue Hill 61, Fullerton 46
Semifinals
Dundy County Stratton 58, Howells-Dodge 48
St. Mary’s 47, Blue Hill 38
Third Place
Howells-Dodge 59, Blue Hill 52
Championship Final
St. Mary’s 52 (25-2), Dundy County Stratton 33 (28-1)

Class D2
First Round
Stuart 59, Mullen 37
Falls City Sacred Heart 44, Crawford 30
Sandhills/Thedford 48, Giltner 34
Wynot 66, Hampton 48
Semifinals
Falls City Sacred Heart 60, Stuart 51
Wynot 42, Sandhills/Thedford 32
Third Place
Stuart 47, Sandhills/Thedford 41
Championship Final
Falls City Sacred Heart 44 (28-2), Wynot 39 (22-6)

Championship Coaches
Class A – Steve Clark, Omaha Westside
Class B – Bill Rice, Lincoln Pius X
Class C1 – Darren Sindelar, Pierce
Class C2 – Aaron Losing, Crofton
Class D1 – Traci Berg, St. Mary’s
Class D2 – Luke Santo, Falls City Sacred Heart
Boys basketball had six classes in 2014-15. Each class qualified eight teams for the NSAA Boys State Basketball Championships held on March 12, 13, & 14, 2015, in Lincoln.

Class A was divided into seven districts with the district champions and one wildcard team, selected on the basis of a point system, qualifying for the state tournament. South Sioux City was the wildcard team for Class A. Class B was divided into six districts with the district champions and two wildcard teams, selected on the basis of a point system, qualifying for the state tournament. Sidney and Elkhorn South were the Class B wildcard teams.

For the tenth year in NSAA history, Classes C1, C2, D1 and D2 also had two wildcard 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 wildcard average received invitations to the state tournament. The Class C1 wildcard qualifiers were Columbus Scotus and Wahoo. Freeman and Southern Valley were the C2 wildcards. In D1, Heartland and Humphrey St. Francis received the wildcards. Wilcox-Hildreth and Exeter-Milligan were the D2 wildcard winners.

For the eighth consecutive season, the NSAA played third-place games in Classes C1, C2, D1 and D2, pairing the two teams losing in the semifinal round. There were no third place games in Classes A and B. Paid attendance: 89,969.

### 2015 State Championship Results

#### Class A

**First Round**
- Omaha South 68, South Sioux City 34
- Lincoln Northeast 61, Norfolk 43
- Creighton Prep 67, Millard West 55
- Bellevue West 70, Omaha North 53

**Semifinals**
- Omaha South 61, Lincoln Northeast 38
- Creighton Prep 75, Bellevue West 48

**Third Place (no third/fourth places)**

#### Championship Final
- Creighton Prep 46 (27-2), Omaha South 41 (23-3)

#### Class B

**First Round**
- Beatrice 56, Plattsmouth 36
- Sidney 65, Scottsbluff 63
- Gretna 60, Mount Michael Benedictine 38
- Elkhorn South 78, Adams Central 51

**Semifinals**
- Sidney 51, Beatrice 48
- Elkhorn South 59, Gretna 58

**Third Place (no third/fourth places)**

#### Championship Final
- Elkhorn South 60 (21-5), Sidney 51 (22-5)

#### Class C1

**First Round**
- Winnebago 66, Wahoo 50
- Grand Island Central Catholic 46, Chadron 36
- Bishop Neumann 50, Lincoln Christian 23
- Columbus Scotus 58, Falls City 53 (OT)

**Semifinals**
- Winnebago 69, Grand Island Central Catholic 63
- Columbus Scotus 51, Bishop Neumann 42

**Third Place**
- Grand Island Central Catholic 66, Bishop Neumann 55

#### Championship Final
- Winnebago 66 (27-1), Columbus Scotus 51 (22-6)

#### Class C2

**First Round**
- Freeman 47, Aquinas Catholic 41
- Archbishop Bergan 56, Southern Valley 49
- Hastings St. Cecilia 67, Hartington Cedar Catholic 50
- Battle Creek 49, Bridgeport 44

**Semifinals**
- Freeman 36, Archbishop Bergan 26
- Hastings St. Cecilia 53, Battle Creek 35

**Third Place**
- Archbishop Bergan 55, Battle Creek 53

#### Championship Final
- Hastings St. Cecilia 60, Freeman 36

#### Class D1

**First Round**
- Bruning-Davenport/Shickley 59, Sutherland 33
- Humphrey St. Francis 62, Clearwater/Orchard 53
- Heartland 65, Bloomfield 46
- High Plains Communty 60, Amherst 42

**Semifinals**
- Humphrey St. Francis 55, Bruning-Davenport/Shickley 47
- High Plains Community 55, Heartland 47

**Third Place**
- Bruning-Davenport/Shickley 55, Heartland 47

#### Championship Final
- High Plains Community 64, Humphrey St. Francis 61

#### Class D2

**First Round**
- Minatare 53, Paxton 52
- Exeter-Milligan 49, Wilcox-Hildreth 40
- Bancroft-Rosalie 51, Bertrand 44
- Riverside 55, Falls City Sacred Heart 53

**Semifinals**
- Exeter-Milligan 60, Minatare 36
- Bancroft-Rosalie 50, Riverside 35

**Third Place**
- Riverside 56, Minatare 45

#### Championship Final
- Exeter-Milligan 67, Bancroft-Rosalie 62 (2 OT)

### Championship Coaches

Class A – Josh Luedtke, Creighton Preparatory
Class B – Alex Bahe, Elkhorn South
Class C1 – Jeff Berridge, Winnebago
Class C2 – Kevin Asher, Hastings St. Cecilia
Class D1 – Cameron Hudson, High Plains Community
Class D2 – Dean Filipi, Exeter-Milligan