

1997 Girls State Championships

Girls basketball had six classes in 1996-97. Each class qualified eight teams for the State Tournament which was held March 6-7-8, 1997. Classes A and B were 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. Lincoln Southeast and Norfolk were the wild card teams for Class A; Elkhorn and Alliance were the Class B wild card teams. Classes C1, C2, D1, and D2 were divided into sixteen subdistricts and eight district finals. The winners of the district finals in each class advanced to the State Tournament. Attendance was 53,644.

Class A

Quarterfinals

Millard South 60, Lincoln Northeast 51
Lincoln Southeast 43, Papillion-LaVista 30
Omaha Marian 89, Kearney 51
Omaha Benson 53, Norfolk 46 OT

Semifinals

Lincoln Southeast 58, Millard South 48
Omaha Marian 54, Omaha Benson 44

Final

Lincoln Southeast 51, Omaha Marian 38

Class B

Quarterfinals

South Sioux City 58, Lexington 45
Elkhorn 49, Ogallala 34
Alliance 60, Omaha Roncalli 42
Seward 64, Lincoln Pius X 51

Semifinals

South Sioux City 50, Elkhorn 46
Seward 50, Alliance 33

Final

South Sioux City 61, Seward 49

Class C1

Quarterfinals

Columbus Scotus 41, Falls City 28
Battle Creek 66, Broken Bow 37
Gothenburg 61, Superior 44
Chadron 47, Bennington 43

Semifinals

Columbus Scotus 40, Battle Creek 30
Gothenburg 42, Chadron 32

Final

Columbus Scotus 38, Gothenburg 30

Class C2

Quarterfinals

Sandy Creek 74, Elmwood-Murdock 55
Laurel-Concord 67, Yutan 57
Kearney Catholic 48, Blue Hill 43
Randolph 68, Sutherland 48

Semifinals

Sandy Creek 73, Laurel-Concord 52
Randolph 55, Kearney Catholic 50

Final

Sandy Creek 59, Randolph 41

Class D1

Quarterfinals

Wauneta-Palisade 68, Sterling 64

Callaway 47, Leigh 44

Spencer-Naper 53, Nelson 37

Lindsay Holy Family 45, Hyannis 38

Semifinals

Wauneta-Palisade 69, Callaway 56

Lindsay Holy Family 57, Spencer-Naper 41

Final

Wauneta-Palisade 68, Lindsay Holy Family

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Class D2

Quarterfinals

Dodge 50, Exeter 37

Hildreth 62, Elba 51

Litchfield 70, Maxwell 48

Falls City Sacred Heart 52, Davenport 47

Semifinals

Hildreth 44, Dodge 37

Litchfield 69, Falls City Sacred Heart 68

Final

Litchfield 35 Hildreth 33

1997 Boys State Championships

Boys basketball had six classes in 1996-97. Each class qualified eight teams for the State Tournament which was held March 13-14-15, 1997. Classes A and B were 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. Omaha Central and Columbus were the wild card teams for Class A; Fairbury and Chadron were the Class B wild card teams. Classes C1, C2, D1, and D2 were divided into sixteen sub districts and eight district finals. The winners of the district finals in each class advanced to the State Tournament. Attendance was 92,323.

Class A

Quarterfinals

Columbus 59, Papillion-LaVista 46
Lincoln East 44, Grand Island 42
Lincoln High 51, Omaha Central 46
Lincoln Northeast 66, Omaha North 60

Semifinals

Lincoln East 46, Columbus 37
Lincoln Northeast 84, Lincoln High 62

Final

Lincoln Northeast 66, Lincoln East 48

Class B

Quarterfinals

Chadron 60, Hastings 51
Elkhorn 47, Fairbury 45
Gering 68, Schuyler 56
Beatrice 52, Ralston 49

Semifinals

Chadron 54, Elkhorn 53
Gering 70, Beatrice 56

Final

Chadron 58, Gering 47

Class C1

Quarterfinals

Aquinas 70, Wood River 62
Omaha Flanagan 62, Hartington CC 58
St. Paul 60, Albion 57
Syracuse 70, Kimball 58

Semifinals

Aquinas 69, Omaha Flanagan 55
St. Paul 49, Syracuse 42

Final

Aquinas 53, St. Paul 41

Class C2

Quarterfinals

West Point CC 58, Plainview 55
Wahoo Neumann 67, Grant 49
Tecumseh 68, Hastings St. Cecilia 61
Doniphan 91, Homer 80

Semifinals

Wahoo Neumann 65, West Point CC 46
Tecumseh 71, Doniphan 56

Final

Tecumseh 50, Wahoo Neumann 41

Class D1

Quarterfinals

Johnson-Brock 82, Culbertson 77

Newman Grove 53, Coleridge 46

Pleasanton 77, Deshler 71

Mead 65, Paxton 37

Semifinals

Johnson-Brock 67, Newman Grove 62

Pleasanton 78, Mead 62

Final

Johnson-Brock 76, Pleasanton 57

Class D2

Quarterfinals

Shickley 67, Nebraska City Lourdes 39

Litchfield 57, Lodgepole 32

Dodge 61, Filley 52

Loomis 47, Greeley 44

Semifinals

Shickley 46, Litchfield 36

Dodge 64, Loomis 49

Final

Shickley 61, Dodge 52