2021 NMAA State Basketball Championships - Finals

May 6-8 State Tournament Information

- 1. Masks must be worn at all times by players, coaches, bench personnel, and spectators.
- 2. Strict adherence to State and NMAA Covid Safe Practice Guidelines is required.
- 3. No more than 14 players from any school may participate in the state tournament or be in uniform.
- 4. During the contest, no more than 20 members of a qualifying team will be permitted free entry and may sit on the bench, behind the bench, or at the scorer's table. This includes players, coaches, managers, JV players, administrators, etc. If more than 20 people are with the team, the site director will move "team members" to the stands or, if at the comp door, will not allow team personnel free entry. This rule will be strictly enforced! Please do not attempt to get more than 20 members in the gym, on the court, or in the locker rooms. The athletic trainer will not count toward your 20 team members.
- 5. Bus drivers will be admitted free of charge through the Comp Door on the Southeast corner of the building.
- 6. No members of the families of a coach, administrator, trainer, or bus driver will be admitted for free.
- 7. If participating in a game, team personnel will gain entry through the comp door on the east side of the Pit. One hour before game time, a locker room will be assigned to the team.
- 8. Officials for state basketball contests may be assigned in one of two ways: neutral crews (officials from any of the three regions not represented in that game); or split crews (one official from each of the regions participating schools, plus one "neutral" official.) We are focusing on having neutral crews first and foremost.
- 9. The home team is defined as the higher seed. The home team will be in white uniforms and will occupy the bench to the left of the scorer's area, as he/she normally faces the playing floor. The visiting team will be in dark school colored or black uniforms and will occupy the bench to the right of the official scorer.
- 10. Please be courteous and pick up all cups, trash, and water bottles around the bench area immediately after each contest.
- 11. All teams are guaranteed a minimum of 15 minutes of warm-up time prior to each contest.
- 12. Halftime will be 10 minutes in length.
- 13. The Wilson NCAA basketball will be used in all boys' and girls' state tournament final games.
- 14. A trainer will be available at the finals.
- 15. Videotaping and/or filming are permissible as long as it does not interfere with spectators' view. Tripods and electrical cords are not allowed in the stands. Parents, fans, and school personnel may not live stream the game on any social media platform.
- 16. At the Pit, buses should drop athletes off in the horseshoe on the East side and then park on the east side of the baseball field. UNM Police will be monitoring bus parking. Buses will not be able to park in the horseshoe.
- 17. UNM is charging \$5 for parking at the Pit for all vehicles. Players and coaches who are not in a bus or school van must adhere to UNM's parking procedures.

- 18. Athletic Directors, coaches and administrators in cars or vans with a government license plate will be able to park at the Pit free of charge. Make sure you mention your license plate to the parking attendant.
- 19. Cheerleaders in full uniform and two sponsors are admitted free of charge. They must enter the facility as a group in order to receive free admission. Cheerleaders and their sponsor must enter through the comp door located on the southeast corner. No more than twelve (12) cheerleaders may cheer on the floor at any one time. There will be no performances on the floor during a time out, at the quarter break, or at halftime.
- 20. Cheerleaders may not use, or bring, megaphones.
- 21. Dance Teams in uniform and two sponsors must enter the facility as a group through the comp door in order to gain free admission. Dance Teams will be seated in the stands and not on the floor if there is a cheer team available.
- 22. We do not have a reserved seating area for bands.
- 23. Doors will open for spectators one half hour before the first game. Please make sure your parents are aware of this policy.
- 24. All seats for spectators will be assigned upon purchase in order to meet the State's Covid Safe Practice Guidelines in sports venues.
- 25. No food concession stands will be available.
- 26. Signs may not be larger than 12" x 12", as they may obstruct the view of the game for fans. The language on the signs must "cheer on" a particular team, and not "cheer against" the opposing team. Tournament officials have the right to confiscate signs if they are too large or if they are offensive in nature.
- 27. Noisemakers are permitted as long as they do not simulate a whistle or horn. Tournament officials and security have the right to confiscate any noisemaker that is a hindrance to the game or officials. Confetti is not permitted.
- 28. Every championship game, both boys and girls, will be streamed live at www.NFHSnetwork.com.