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**NMAA and Albuquerque to Host National High School
Basketball Tournament**

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. – The New Mexico Activities Association is excited to announce that Albuquerque has been chosen as the site of the second annual T-Mobile National High School Basketball Tournament.

The National Federation of State High School Associations and T-Mobile USA, Inc. have selected “The Pit” on the campus of the University of New Mexico to host the 2007 event.

The T-Mobile Invitational, set for December 28-29, 2007, will showcase eight of the top high school teams in the nation determined in part through the USA TODAY’S “Super 25” high school basketball rankings. The eight-team tournament will feature four boys and four girls teams and is composed only of schools from NFHS-member associations.

The La Cueva High School boys team and the Gallup High School girls team have been selected to represent New Mexico in this year’s event. The other six teams will be top-ranked teams from across the country. The specific schools and first-round matchups will be announced at a later date.

Gary Tripp, NMAA Executive Director, said “The New Mexico Activities Associations is excited to play a role in bringing this elite tournament to the Duke City. This tournament is not only beneficial for the NMAA and Albuquerque, but for the entire State of New Mexico.”

The T-Mobile Invitational was created to bring national attention to the positive ways that interscholastic activity programs enrich the lives of students.

The tournament is part of the partnership between T-Mobile and the National Federation of State High School Associations. In addition to the basketball tournament, the multi-year agreement between the NFHS and T-Mobile includes T-Mobile’s sponsorship of the NFHS annual student leadership conference, plus other initiatives and events.

For more information regarding the T-Mobile Invitational please contact Robert Zayas, NMAA Director of Communications, at (505) 977-5386.