

# 2017

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# NORTH DAKOTA Youth Basketball State Championship



## REGION PLAYOFFS

Region Champion and Runner-up are invited to the North Dakota State Championship April 1-2 in Jamestown. Top two teams at STATE advance to Great State in the Twin Cities.



Bismarck Showtime - 4th Grade Girls  
2016 Great Four-State Champs



Central Cass - 6th Grade Girls  
2016 Great Four-State Champs



Dakota Thunder - 7th Grade Girls  
2016 Great Four-State Champs



St. Johns/Four Winds - 8th Grade Boys  
2016 Great Four-State Champs

All grades refer to the 2016-2017 school year.

All players on a team must either be enrolled in the same school system or live in the same city, the same school district or the same tribal community. Smaller schools may combine to form one team if the combined enrollment of their high schools for grades 9-12 is 400 or fewer. Schools that combine should be from the same area.

### Team Entry Form - NORTH DAKOTA Region Playoffs

All players are from one school district. School district \_\_\_\_\_

Combined team. List all school districts \_\_\_\_\_

(See back for details)

Site \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Circle Boys or Girls Circle Rating: Strong - Good - Fair - Weak

Team Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Team Color \_\_\_\_\_

(needed if two teams from same school register)

Cell # \_\_\_\_\_ Alt # \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

(Street)

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

(Email address required - Confirmation will be sent via email - Please write legibly)

Alternate Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Send check with this entry form to: PACSETER, PO BOX 222, PAYNESVILLE, MN 56362

Registration also available online at [www.pacesettersports.net](http://www.pacesettersports.net)

## Region Playoff Schedule

East Region: UND - Grand Forks

Saturday, March 4

Boys Grades 4 & 6, Girls Grade 5

Sunday, March 5

Boys Grade 5, Girls Grades 4 & 6

East Region: Fargo Davies

Saturday, March 25

Boys Grades 7 & 9, Girls Grade 8

Sunday, March 26

Boys Grade 8, Girls Grades 7 & 9

West Region: Dickinson

Saturday, March 25

Boys Grades 4, 6 & 8

Girls Grades 5, 7 & 9

Sunday, March 26

Boys Grades 5, 7 & 9

Girls Grades 4, 6 & 8

DEADLINE: Mail - Prior Saturday

Online - 12:00 noon Monday

The North Dakota state champion and runner-up in each grade are invited to the Great Four-State Championship in the Twin Cities.

FREE

Timberwolves Tickets

(2017-2018 season)

All players will receive a free ticket offer!

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **What is Pacesetter?**

Pacesetter Sports is an organization created in 1980 to teach basketball to players in their own gyms through summer camps. The Pacesetter directors were small town players that had won state championships and wanted to share their passion and knowledge with young players. In 37 years Pacesetter has provided over 2,000 camps and 2,000 tournaments.

### **How do the Pacesetter state championships work?**

The Pacesetter youth basketball state tournament will begin with two region playoff tournaments in February-March for teams in grades 4-9. The top two teams from each region advance to the state championship, a 4-team tournament in April. All schools are eligible to play in this one-class playoff that provides each team with 3-4 games at each region tournament.

### **What is the Pacesetter Great Four-State Championship?**

In 2010 Pacesetter introduced the Great Four-State Championship system for youth basketball teams in grades 4-9 in Minnesota, South Dakota, North Dakota and Iowa. The top two teams in each state tournament for each grade/gender group are invited to advance to the “Great State” championships in the Twin Cities, where they play for the over-all four-state title in an 8-team bracket. Each team plays three games in one day. The Great State games are held in conjunction with MN Lynx games and are supported by the MN Timberwolves, who provide a free ticket offer to each player for the following season. The Target Center was used as the Great State site from 2010-2016. In 2017 the Excel Energy Center in St. Paul is the expected venue due to construction on the Target Center. Over 900 teams from Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota played in 2016.

### **Who can play?**

The Pacesetter playoff system is geared toward developing “hometown teams” that will be playing together in high school. All players on each team must either be enrolled in the same school system or live in the same city, the same school district or the same tribal community. Smaller schools may combine to form one team if the combined enrollment of their high schools for grades 9-12 is 400 or fewer. Schools that combine should be from the same area.

### **Can teams play in more than one region?**

Teams can play in both region tournaments. If one team qualifies at both regional sites, a fourth “wild card” team would be selected by Pacesetter to advance to the state tournament based on their performance in the region tournament.

### **How do teams register?**

Teams may register by completing a registration form and sending it back with payment to Pacesetter via mail OR registering online at [www.pacesettersports.net](http://www.pacesettersports.net). A confirmation will be emailed once payment and registration is completed.

**Further information, rules and guidelines can be read at [www.pacesettersports.net](http://www.pacesettersports.net)**