

2017  
**25<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**Pacesetter**  
**MINNESOTA**  
**Youth Basketball**  
**State Championship**  
**REGION PLAYOFFS**  
 Over 700 teams  
 in 2016!

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**Regional Playoffs Schedule**

All grades refer to the 2016-2017 school year.  
 Teams may register for more than one region. See back for details.

Region Champions invited to the MN State Championship.  
 Teams with one loss invited to the MIT.  
 Top two teams at STATE advance to the Great Four-State tournament.

**Minnesota's Great Four-State Champions – 2016**



7th Boys Stewartville



9th Boys Perham



9th Girls Mt. Iron-Buhl



8th Girls Eden Valley-Watkins

**“Hometown Team” guideline:**

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.

See further information at [www.pacesettersports.net](http://www.pacesettersports.net)

Team Entry Form - Pacesetter Minnesota Regional Tournament

\$175/team  
 3-4 game guarantee

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: **PACESSETTER, PO BOX 222, PAYNESVILLE, MN 56362**

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

Region	Site	Date
<b>Region 1</b>		
4G, 6G, 8G, 5B, 7B, 9B	RCTC - Rochester	March 25
5G, 7G, 9G, 4B, 6B, 8B	RCTC - Rochester	March 26
<b>Region 2</b>		
4G, 6G, 8G, 5B, 7B, 9B	MN State-Mankato	April 22
5G, 7G, 9G, 4B, 6B, 8B	MN State-Mankato	April 23
<b>Region 3</b>		
5G, 7G, 9G, 4B, 6B, 8B	Redwood Falls	March 25
4G, 6G, 8G, 5B, 7B, 9B	Redwood Falls	March 26
<b>Region 4</b>		
5B, 7B, 9B	Willow River	April 8
4G, 6G, 8G	Barnum	April 8
4B, 6B, 8B	Willow River	April 9
5G, 7G, 9G	Barnum	April 9
<b>Region 5</b>		
5G, 7G, 9G, 4B, 6B, 8B	Paynesville / Eden Valley-Watkins	April 8
4G, 6G, 8G, 5B, 7B, 9B	Paynesville / Eden Valley-Watkins	April 9
<b>Region 6</b>		
4G, 6G, 8G, 5B, 7B, 9B	Moorhead	April 1
5G, 7G, 9G, 4B, 6B, 8B	Moorhead	April 2
<b>Region 7</b>		
5G, 8B	Hibbing	April 1
8G, 5B	Hibbing	April 2
7G, 9G, 4B, 6B	Grand Rapids	April 1
4G, 6G, 7B, 9B	Grand Rapids	April 2
<b>Region 8</b>		
4G, 6G, 8G, 5B, 7B, 9B	Bemidji	April 1
5G, 7G, 9G, 4B, 6B, 8B	Bemidji	April 2
<b>Minnesota State Championships • Maple Grove</b>		<b>Date</b>
4G, 6G, 5B, 8B	MIT - MN Invitational	June 10
4G, 6G, 5B, 8B	State Championship	June 11
5G, 8G, 4B, 6B	MIT - MN Invitational	June 17
5G, 8G, 4B, 6B	State Championship	June 18
7G, 9G, 7B, 9B	MIT - MN Invitational	June 24
7G, 9G, 7B, 9B	State Championship	June 25

**The Minnesota state champion and runner-up in each grade are invited to the Great Four-State Championship in the Twin Cities. (MN, IA, ND, SD)**

**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 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 does the Pacesetter Minnesota state championship work?**

The Pacesetter Minnesota youth basketball state tournament began in 1993 with eight region playoff tournaments in March-April for teams in grades 5-9, followed by an 8-team state tournament in June. Fourth grade was added in 2016. All Minnesota schools are eligible to play in this one-class playoff that provides each team with 3-4 games at each region tournament. Over 700 Minnesota teams played in 2016.

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

In 2010 Pacesetter introduced the Great Four-State Championship system for youth basketball teams in grades 5-9 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 at the Target Center in Minneapolis, 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 also sponsored by the MN Timberwolves, who provide a free ticket offer to each player for the following season.

### **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 "register" for more than one region tournament. However, if a team wins a region championship, that team may not play in further regionals...with one exception: Teams may always play in their home region. If a team wins outside of their region and then also wins their home region, the runner-up team from the first tournament will get the bid to play in the Minnesota state tournament. Any teams that have registered for multiple regions that are required to drop from a tournament due to this guideline will be refunded. Any team coordinator whose team has entered multiple regions and wins a region should contact the Pacesetter office on that same day at [info@pacesetternet.com](mailto:info@pacesetternet.com) or by calling 320-243-7460.

### **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)**