

KEARNEY BLOWOUT

March 19-20, 2011 • Kearney, Nebraska

192 Boys & Girls 3rd-9th Grade Teams!

The 17th Annual Kearney Blowout is slated for March 19-20, 2011, and is open to 3rd-9th grade boys and girls teams. Whether you are from a small school, or big school, we have a division for you! The Blowout is large enough to offer multiple brackets in every grade, insuring competitive games throughout.

The Kearney Blowout will set the standard by which you measure all other tournaments. Nobody can beat our facilities, three game guarantee, organization, officiating crew, scoring staff and more. Our central location allows us to draw teams from all parts of Nebraska, and a number of out-of-state teams take part each year.

The tournament is organized by Mr. Basketball, Inc. In 2011, nearly 1,000 teams will compete in events organized by Mr. Basketball. Our experienced staff will run the best organized & operated tournaments you play in.

• **Unbeatable facilities!** The Blowout is played in the 6,000 seat UNK Health & Sports Center main arena, as well as courts at several nice high school and middle school gyms.



• **Multiple Brackets in Most Divisions!** One of the best features of this event is the fact that we have 2-3 brackets in nearly every age group. This allows us to split teams by competitive level and makes it an attractive event for teams from cities of all sizes!

• **3 game guarantee!** Some tournaments only guarantee two games, at the Blowout everyone plays three!

• **Experienced officials!** We hire and pay only experienced officials for all age levels. We have referees that come to Kearney to work from as far as Omaha, Columbus and the North Platte area.

• **New competition!** 192 teams from across Nebraska and several surrounding states will take part in the Blowout! We usually have 50-60 Nebraska communities represented, along with our out-of-state participants.

• **Digital scoreboards on all courts!** Every court has a digital scoreboard.

• **Die-cast medals!** We award custom die cast medals to the top half of the teams in each bracket!

Be sure to register your team early & make plans to participate in one of the Midwest's premier youth tournaments! For more information, don't hesitate to contact:

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KEARNEY BLOWOUT INFO

DATES: March 19-20, 2011 (Sat.-Sun.)

DIVISIONS: Boys Teams: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th Grade

Girls Teams: 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th Grade

ENTRY FEES: Registration fee for all teams is \$120 up to 10 players. Each additional player add \$5. We ask that each team pay with one check payable to Kearney Booster Club. Sorry, no refunds after registration submitted. A \$75 fee will be retained if the event is cancelled due to weather.

BRACKETS: These will consist of 8 teams, single elimination. All teams are guaranteed 3 games, as consolation games are played to determine 3rd, 5th and 7th places. Although very rare that we need to, we reserve the right to combine two grades if necessary to complete a bracket.

PLAYERS: Players must compete in their grade classification. Exception: Younger players may participate in older divisions. Players can compete on only one team in the tournament. If incorrect information is provided, the player and team may be ineligible.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: Approximately February 25 (we have a 192 team limit, register early). After this date, contact Doug at 308-237-4012 or doug@misterbasketball.com to inquire about any open spots.

RULES: Games will consist of 8 minute quarters. The clock will stop on all free throws, time-outs, and injuries, and the last minute of each quarter. All teams must have numbered jerseys. A team may only press to a 10 point lead (no press in 3rd, 4th, 5th grade girls). Intermediate size ball (28.5) used for all 4th-8th grade divisions. Men's ball used for 9th grade boys.

AWARDS: Large die-cast medals will be presented to 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place and Consolation Champ in 8-team brackets, and the top half of the teams in 4 & 6 team brackets.

NOTIFICATION: Schedule packets for participating teams will be posted on our website at www.misterbasketball.com by March 9. Teams not accepted will be notified at the earliest date possible.

MOTELS

Kearney is a popular convention destination and offers many great motels. With the basketball tournament and other activities there will be very few extra rooms. It is very important that you and your team make reservations as soon as possible!! Our web site has a special page dedicated to motels with links to each property & has all of the phone numbers. The next page in this packet has information about the room blocks we have established at various motels.

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Visit our web sites to print out entry forms for all of our events. The site also has a great deal of information for your visit to Kearney, including ads & links to local restaurants, entertainment and more! Schedules will be posted on our web site by March 8. We will post results of the tournament on the web site the day after the tournament.



Snow Jam & Blowout Motel Information

We have established a number of room blocks for the 2011 Midway Snow Jam & Kearney Blowout tournaments. Most of the motels are holding rooms for our group, but they are first-come, first-served. With 200 teams in each of the events, we fill most of the motels in town on these two weekends. I would encourage you to call and put rooms in your team's name while you can get the motel you want. Teams travelling from 3-4 hours away can safely plan to only need a motel room on Saturday evening. If you are travelling farther than this, you should contact Doug to see if you should get rooms for Friday and Saturday or if Saturday will do. If you have any problems making reservations, don't hesitate to contact Doug Koster at doug@misterbasketball.com for assistance. We believe all information below to be accurate but please confirm with each property. Rates are subject to change until reservation is confirmed with motel.

ROOM BLOCKS ARE RELEASED 30 DAYS BEFORE THE EVENTS -- BOOK YOUR ROOMS EARLY!!

RAMADA INN 308-237-3141 provides rooms for \$99 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. They have a very nice "fundome" with indoor pool, hot tub and more that is a great gathering area for players & parents. Tell them you are with the Snow Jam or Blowout room block!

ECONO LODGE 308-237-2671 this property was completely remodeled in 2008 and is now in the Econo Lodge chain. Call the Sales Manager, Kelly Krier at 308.440.5488 during regular business hours to setup a room block for your team. If booking a single room in a block, please contact the front desk at 308.237.2671. Rooms are \$79.99 per night.

RODEWAY INN 308-698-2810 has rooms with two queen beds for \$89.99 per night plus tax. It was completely remodeled in 2007. All rooms have fridge & microwave. Call the Sales Manager, Kelly Krier at 308.440.5488 during regular business hours to setup a room block for your team. If booking a single room in a block, please contact the front desk.

COUNTRY INN & SUITES 308-236-7500 has rooms for \$104.95 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. This is a nice motel with indoor pool, hot tub, complimentary hot breakfast and managers reception M-Th 5-7 pm complimentary appetizers, pop, Bud Light and wine. Be sure to indicate you're with the Snow Jam or Blowout basketball room block.

MICROTEL INNS & SUITES 308-698-3003 new motel opened in late 2008. Rooms with 1 queen are \$60, 2 queens are \$70 and a suite with 1 queen & a sofa pullout (microwave, fridge, sink) are \$80. Continental breakfast with hot waffles.

BEST WESTERN MID NEBRASKA INN & SUITES 308-234-2541 completely remodeled in 2009, this property is on the south side of I-80 next. They have a new indoor pool, hot tub, fitness room and complimentary breakfast. Call the Sales Manager, Kelly Krier at 308.440.5488 during regular business hours to setup a room block for your team. If booking a single room in a block, please contact the front desk. Rooms are \$119.99 per night plus tax.

BEST WESTERN INN OF KEARNEY 308-237-5185 provides rooms with two queens for \$99.99 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. This is a nice motel with an indoor pool & outdoor pool, hot tub and more. Rate includes free full hot breakfast each day. Make sure you tell them you are with the Snow Jam or Blowout basketball room block.

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS 308-234-8100 provides rooms for \$119.95 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. They have an indoor pool, hot tub and more.

HAMPTON INN 308-234-3400 provides rooms for \$119 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. They have an indoor pool, hot tub and more. Make sure you tell them you are with the Snow Jam or Blowout basketball room block.

HOLIDAY INN 308-237-5971 provides rooms for \$129.95 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. They have an indoor waterslide, pool, hot tub and more.

QUALITY INN 308-237-0838 provides rooms for (rate unavailable for 2011 at this time) per night plus tax. They have an indoor pool, hot tub, continental breakfast. Tell them you are with the Snow Jam or Blowout room block.

WINGATE INN 308-237-5971 provides rooms for \$119.95 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. They have an indoor pool, hot tub, fitness center and more. Make sure you tell them you are with the Snow Jam or Blowout block.

COMFORT INN 308-237-5858 has continental breakfast, indoor hot tub & fitness room. Rate is \$64.95 plus tax.

AMERICINN LODGE & SUITES 308-234-7800 rooms are (rate unavailable for 2011 at this time) per night, plus tax. They have an indoor pool, hot tub, continental breakfast and more. Make sure you tell them you are with the Snow Jam or Blowout basketball block.

MOTEL 6 308-338-0705 clean and modern rooms with free wireless internet access in all rooms. \$54.99 for 2 adults, kids under 18 free. Additional adults \$3 each. Make sure you tell them you are with the Snow Jam or Blowout block.

WESTERN INN SOUTH 308-234-1876 has continental breakfast, indoor pool & hot tub. Rate is \$69.95 per night plus tax. Suites are \$119.95.

2011 KEARNEY BLOWOUT TEAM ENTRY FORM

Please circle your team's division (grade):

Boys: 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th

Girls: 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th



Email address for team rep or coach (required):

Team Name _____

Head Coach _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Day Phone _____ Eve Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Assistant Coach (if you have one) _____

Honestly Rate Your Team (Weak) 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 (Strong)

Return form & check payable for \$120 to:

KEARNEY BLOWOUT
5003 AVE G PLACE
KEARNEY, NE 68847

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Visit misterbasketball.com or missbasketball.com.