

KEARNEY BLOWOUT

March 17-18, 2018 • Kearney, Nebraska

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

The 24th Annual Kearney Blowout is slated for March 17-18, 2018, and is open to 3rd-9th grade boys and girls teams. Whether you are competitive tryout team, or a rec team, we have a division for you! The Blowout is large enough to offer multiple brackets in almost 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, Iowa, Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming and South Dakota!

The tournament is organized by Mr. Basketball, Inc. Each year more than 1,100 teams 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!

- **Later start for distant teams!** We take travel distance into consideration when bracketing so that teams from a distance only need a motel room on Saturday evening. For example, teams from 3 hours (Omaha) won't play until 12 PM or later.

- **Experienced officials!** We hire and pay only experienced officials for all age levels. We have referees that come to Kearney from all over the state.

- **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.

- **Medals!** We award medals to 1st, 2nd, 3rd Places and Consolation Champs in the 8-team brackets and the top half of the teams in 4 and 6-team brackets!

Register your team early & make plans to participate in one of the Midwest's premier youth tournaments!

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KEARNEY BLOWOUT INFO

DATES: March 17-18, 2018 (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 \$140. We ask that each team pay with one check payable to Kearney Blowout. Sorry, no refunds after registration submitted. A \$95 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 March 1 (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 and 3rd grade boys). Intermediate size ball (28.5) used for all 3rd-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 8. 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.

Snow Jam & Blowout Motel Information

We have established a number of room blocks for the 2018 Kearney 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!!

**THIS PAGE WILL BE UPDATED
IN SEPTEMBER WITH
2018 RATE INFORMATION FOR EACH
OF THE PROPERTIES.**

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 _____

Mobile Phone _____ *Please provide in case we need to reach you during event.

Assistant Coach (if you have one) _____

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

Please circle, does your team plan to COMMUTE or STAY IN MOTEL?

Return form & check payable for \$140 to:

KEARNEY BLOWOUT
5003 AVE G PLACE
KEARNEY, NE 68847

We offer online registration on our websites. Please consider using this option if registering at the last minute!
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