



# MINNESOTA SHOWCASE

COLLEGE EXPOSURE TOURNAMENT AT MSU-MANKATO

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Dear Coach,

I am writing to extend this invitation for your team to compete in the 10th Annual Minnesota Showcase college exposure tournament slated for Friday-Sunday, June 22-24, 2018, in Mankato. The event offers a Platinum Division for juniors & seniors-to-be, along with a Gold Division for freshmen/sophomores/juniors-to-be. All teams will be guaranteed 4-6 games.

**MSU has 5 air conditioned courts at one site!** The Taylor Center is a 4,800 seat arena that opened in the fall of 2000 and features two full-size courts with chair back seating. The Otto recreation center, which is in the same building, has two more courts and plenty of seating. The Schellberg Gym also provides one court. All courts are air conditioned.

The Minnesota Showcase will feature 32 boys & 32 girls summer teams. Teams from these states have competed in the Minnesota Showcase: Alaska, Colorado, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Wisconsin, Illinois and Manitoba, Canada.

Our events are favorites with college scouts at all levels. We provide the most accurate and complete Player Information Guide, featuring extensive bio's on every participating athlete and our event organization is unmatched on the summer circuit.

The Midwest's top womens NCAA Division II, III, NAIA and junior college programs scout the Minnesota Showcase each year.

**We are allowing teams to reserve a spot for their team with a \$125 nonrefundable deposit.** The nonrefundable balance of \$400 will be due in April. With the limited field of 32 teams, we encourage you to submit your entry form & fee early.

Miss Basketball events provide strong competition, excellent college exposure, outstanding facilities and officials, and are the best organized events of the summer. We hope the Minnesota Showcase will become a part of your program's annual schedule!

Sincerely,

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**This is an invitation for your team to participate in the 9th Annual Minnesota Showcase, set for June 22-24, 2018. The Minnesota Showcase will feature 32 of the Midwest's top summer teams from 10 states.**

**ELIGIBILITY:** Players must have one year or more of high school eligibility remaining after the conclusion of the Minnesota Showcase (current juniors or younger). The Platinum Division is primarily juniors & seniors-to-be, with the Gold Division being a mix of freshmen, sophomores & juniors-to-be. If you have a question about which division would be most appropriate for your team, please e-mail us.

**EVENT FORMAT:** All teams are guaranteed four or more games. Teams will compete in pool play on Friday-Saturday, June 22-23. On Sunday, June 24, bracket play will be single elimination, with teams playing 1-3 games. Games consist of two-16 minute halves with the clock stopping on all whistles.

**COLLEGE EXPOSURE:** The Minnesota Showcase is designed to allow outstanding high school players an opportunity to showcase their talents where college coaches can observe their play. Don't miss this opportunity to showcase your talents to college coaches from across the United States. College coaches will be sent information regarding the participants in the event so they can make advance plans to attend. Miss Basketball also provides the college coaches in attendance with an in-depth Player Info Guide, with player profile sheets filled out by every player. Post tournament reviews are distributed to college coaches and scouting services across the country.

**ENTRY FEE:** The nonrefundable entry fee is \$525 per team. Entry is on a first entered-first served basis. Teams are not considered entered until the entry fee is paid in full. A \$125 nonrefundable deposit can reserve your team a spot until April when the nonrefundable balance of \$400 will be due.

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZING STAFF:** Doug Koster founded Mr. Basketball, Inc., in 1991. His full-time dedication to each tournament has developed into a reputation for hosting the best organized events in the country. Each year, Koster hosts more than 1,100 teams from 20 states for 15 events.

**MISSBASKETBALL.COM:** Visit our website at MissBasketball.com for tons of info. We post all schedules and lists of top college prospects on our website prior to the event, along with an extensive post tournament package with scores, stat leaders and more.

**MOTELS:** Miss Basketball will secure room blocks for teams competing in the Minnesota Showcase. A number of very nice motels will provide rooms for \$80-\$140 per night. Most have indoor pools, some have free breakfast, and are located near the arena.

**MANKATO, MINNESOTA:** Mankato is a community of 36,000 people located 80 miles southwest of the Twin Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul. Mankato is only 3 hours from Des Moines, 4 hours from Madison (Wisc.) and Omaha (Neb.), 5 hours from Milwaukee, 6 hours from Peoria (Ill.) and Kansas City.



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## The Minnesota Showcase offers teams:

- ☆ Strong national competition!
- ☆ Exposure to college coaches & scouting services!
- ☆ Outstanding air conditioned facility!
- ☆ Guaranteed 4 to 6 games!
- ☆ All games at Minnesota St. University!
- ☆ Best organized event around!
- ☆ Very detailed Player Info Guide for college scouts!
- ☆ Arena just minutes from motels!
- ☆ Computerized stats posted throughout!
- ☆ Reputable staff with 27 years experience!

"Our Minnesota Metro Stars program had a blast at your tournament. It is as well run of a tournament as we have played in this year!" - Andy Meinhardt, Minnesota Metro Stars Program Director.

"As a coach traveling around the country to many exposure events I wanted to drop you a line and compliment your showcases. I thought your Dakota Showcase was as well run as any tournament I went to this summer. Your packets were outstanding. The price was fair and the coach's hospitality was a nice touch. I don't think we'll get a kid from that event to come out here to New Hampshire, but the experience was outstanding just the same." - Mark Swasey, Franklin Pierce University (New Hampshire).

"I want to congratulate you and your staff on hosting a wonderful tournament last weekend. Without a doubt, it was the best run tourney I have seen conducted." - Craig DeBerg, Minnesota Magic Elite Stars.

"I thought the tournament was absolutely fantastic! It remains the best run of any we have/will play in. I also like the Kentucky Hoop Festival, but not as well as yours." - Charles Paxson, Minnesota Glory.





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## Miss Basketball 2018 Team Entry Form

To secure a spot for your team in the 2018 Miss Basketball Minnesota Showcase, please complete this form and return along with a check or money order for the \$125 nonrefundable deposit. The nonrefundable balance of \$400 will be due in April to officially enter your team. Spots are available until the website indicates all spots have been filled. Schedules are posted in late May.

TEAM NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION: PLATINUM GOLD

COACH \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

DAY PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EVENING PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

If you have an additional contact person, other than the coach, please list below.

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

### Return Entry Form & Fee To:

MR. BASKETBALL, INC.  
5003 AVENUE G PLACE  
KEARNEY, NE 68847

Minnesota Showcase Featured Hotel

# **AmericInn Hotel & Conference Center**

The AmericInn is only 1/2 block from the  
MSU Taylor Center.

Walk to and from your games,  
-- the ultimate convenience for  
parents & coaches!

## **\* Complimentary breakfast**

- \* Newly renovated rooms with flat panel TV's
  - \* Free High Speed Internet
- \* Indoor pool and whirlpool and fitness center
  - \* Meeting / hospitality room
- \* University Square Mall next door with many food options

We are excited to have your team stay with us. We have blocked 50 rooms for participants. The rate is \$139.99 per night plus tax. Book early, only 50 rooms are available within walking distance of the gyms!!

**Reservations Call (507) 345-8011**

Visit our website at [americinnmankatomn.com](http://americinnmankatomn.com)

# 2018 MOTEL INFORMATION MANKATO, MINN.

I have secured room blocks at several motels for teams and parents visiting Mankato for the Minnesota Showcase. When contacting these properties, be sure to tell them you are with the Minnesota Showcase room block. Rooms are available on the nights of June 21-22-23. Coaches are encouraged to provide this info to parents who will be attending the tournament at the earliest date possible. Take advantage of this opportunity to get your rooms early! Teams should be prepared to play on Friday morning, June 22, at 9 AM. 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.

**OUR ROOM BLOCKS ARE RELEASED at various dates ranging from May 1 to early June.  
MAKE SURE YOU BOOK YOUR ROOMS EARLY as motels will be sold-out this weekend in Mankato.  
I CAN NOT EMPHASIZE IT ENOUGH, GET YOUR ROOMS EARLY!!!**

## **Mankato City Centre Hotel • Reservations (507) 345-1234**

The Mankato City Centre Hotel has a rich history in the downtown community and is the perfect choice when visiting Greater Mankato. The City Centre Motel has 151 sleeping rooms featuring complimentary high speed internet. We also offer a business center in the lobby. The indoor recreation area features a large swimming pool, whirlpool and fitness center with a wide variety of exercise equipment. We are just minutes away from Minnesota State University. Complimentary continental breakfast on weekday mornings.

40 Standard King rooms available at rate of \$99  
20 Two Queen Bed rooms available at rate of \$99

May 21 cutoff for room block.

## **Holiday Inn Express & Suites • Reservations (507) 388-1880**

With top-notch amenities and quality service, you are sure to have a carefree stay at the newly built Holiday Inn Express. Conveniently located off of Highways 22 and 14, our pet-friendly hotel offers the ideal location for both business and leisure travelers. To help you start each morning right, our Mankato, MN hotel offers a complimentary, hot breakfast bar, featuring our signature cinnamon rolls and Smart Roast coffee. We offer free high-speed, wired and wireless Internet access and a 24-hour business center and remote printer. Enjoy our indoor, heated swimming pool, whirlpool and wading pool. We also have a 24-hour fitness center and on-site guest laundry facilities.

6 rooms with 2 queen beds are available at rate of \$127.99 per night plus tax.  
7 rooms with one king bed are \$ 132.99.  
2 queen bed suites are \$147.99 per night.  
May 21 cutoff for room block.

## **Microtel Inn & Suites • Reservations (507) 388-2818**

This quality hotel is near Minnesota State University. Microtel truly understands that, for you, convenience is key. Stay in any of our standard or suite hotel rooms and enjoy the convenience of free high-speed wireless internet access as well as a daily complimentary continental breakfast.

## **Baymont Inn & Suites • Reservations (507) 388-5107**

Quality Inn offers breakfast, an indoor pool and whirlpool, as well as wireless internet access. Our breakfasts include make-your-own Belgian waffles, a variety of cereals, fresh fruits, breads, bagels, and juices.