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Dear Coach,

I am excited to extend this invitation for your team to compete in the 23rd Annual Miss Basketball Showcase National Tournament, July 12-14, 2018, in Kearney, Nebraska. The tournament will feature 64 summer teams from across the country. Each year NCAA, NAIA and junior college coaches from coast-to-coast are on hand to scout the talented field.

Teams from 37 different states and Canada have ventured to Miss Basketball and alumni of the event have gone on to play in every major NCAA Division I conference as well as the WNBA.

We offer three divisions, the Platinum division will feature teams comprised of juniors and seniors-to-be, along with a Gold division for freshmen & sophomores-to-be and a Silver division for 7th/8th grade-to-be teams.

Teams are guaranteed four or more games in two of the premier summer facilities anywhere! Games are played in the 6,500 seat-air conditioned University of Nebraska at Kearney Health & Sports Center and the Kearney Catholic Cope Coliseum. Kearney is located in Central Nebraska on Interstate 80, about three hours west of Omaha, or five hours east of Denver.

The entry fee is \$525 per team for the Platinum & Gold divisions. The Silver division entry fee is \$325. By submitting a \$125 nonrefundable deposit, we will hold a spot for your team until April when the nonrefundable balance will be due. The entry deadline is approximately May 15.

Coaches and players love the Miss Basketball "atmosphere." From the air conditioned facility, to the thumping sound system during warmups and timeouts, to the computerized stats that are posted after every game (at the gym & on our website) and the fact that the college scouts only have to cover two sites, Miss Basketball has an atmosphere that is unmatched in summer ball!

Visit missbasketball.com for tons of tournament history & pictures of the facilities. I hope your program will choose to play where the nation plays when the best prep basketball players in the country visit the Miss Basketball Showcase. I look forward to receiving your deposit and seeing you in July!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doug S. Koster".

Doug S. Koster



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The 23rd Annual Miss Basketball Showcase, set for July 12-14, 2018, will feature 64 summer teams for one of the Midwest's longest running college showcase events.

ELIGIBILITY: Players must have one year or more of high school eligibility remaining after the conclusion of the Miss Basketball Showcase (no graduated seniors) to compete in the Platinum Division. Players who will be 9th or 10th graders during the 2018-19 school year will be eligible for the Gold Division, and players that will be 7th or 8th graders will be eligible for the Silver Division.

ENTRY FEE: The nonrefundable entry fee is \$525 per team for the Platinum/Gold Divisions and \$325 for Silver Division. By submitting a \$125 nonrefundable deposit, we will hold a spot for your team until April when the nonrefundable balance will be due. The registration deadline is approximately May 15.. Don't hesitate to contact us to inquire about openings or to be placed on the backup list.

EVENT FORMAT: Teams will compete in pool play on July 12-13 and then teams will be seeded in tournament brackets July 14. Games consist of two-16 minute halves with the clock stopping on all whistles.

4 GAME GUARANTEE: All teams are guaranteed 4 games, half of the teams will play 5 or more!!

COLLEGE EXPOSURE: The Miss Basketball 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 the NCAA Division I, II, III, NAIA and junior college ranks from across the United States. College coaches are e-mailed information regarding the participants in Miss Basketball so they can make advance plans to attend. Miss Basketball also provides every coach in attendance with an in-depth Player Info Guide, with player profile sheets filled out by every player. Colleges from every major conference have scouted the Showcase.

VENUES: Games will be played at the 6,500-seat air conditioned UNK Health & Sports Center and the new Kearney Catholic Cope Coliseum, two of the best summer facilities anywhere!

MOTELS JUST 5 MINUTES TO THE GYMS: Each summer Miss Basketball secures room blocks for teams competing in the Miss Basketball Showcase. A number of very nice motels provide rooms for \$70-\$150 per night with four per room. Most have indoor pools, some have free breakfast, and all are located within five minutes of the two game sites.

HOSPITALITY: The community of Kearney gets behind the Miss Basketball Showcase big-time. From front page news coverage, to live television news broadcasts on site, to our "small town" hospitality, your team is a special guest during Miss Basketball. You won't find a more involved community anywhere!

MISSBASKETBALL.COM: Visit our website at missbasketball.com for tons of Miss Basketball history and other info. We post schedules on our website prior to the event; during the event, we post boxscores, stat leaders, brackets and more immediately after each game!

KEARNEY, NEBRASKA: Kearney is a growing community of 32,000 people located on Interstate 80 in Central Nebraska. Coaches love coming to Kearney. Games are at just two sites, just five minutes from the motels, and Kearney is a safe and enjoyable community for the kids. Teams can fly directly into Kearney through Denver, or into Lincoln or Omaha and make the short drive.

COLLEGE COACH'S COMMENTS

ABOUT THE MISS BASKETBALL SHOWCASE

“Everything about Doug and the Showcase is professional and first class. We go to events all over the country and there is not one event better run than the Showcase. The facilities, packet, program, results, timeliness, hospitality, and even the music is set up to help make our jobs easier to do. It is always a pleasure to come to this event and we are excited that the Showcase continues to grow and attract some of the very best summer basketball programs in the country!” - NCAA Division I Coach.

“The Miss Basketball tournament was great. I was not following one particular team through the tournament so I stayed in the main gym and saw all the teams pass through there. It was great to be able to watch three courts at once. My favorite part of the entire tournament was the Player Info Guide. As a school where academics becomes one of our biggest hurdles, seeing their GPA and ACT scores was a tremendous help and allowed me to use my time most efficiently.” - NCAA Division I Coach.

“The combination of talent and facilities make the Miss Basketball tournament one of the best summer recruiting events. The games are played at only two sites and the facilities are top notch. The PIG is the most comprehensive player guide I have experienced during summer recruiting. I highly recommend this tournament to all college coaches.” - NCAA Division II Coach.

“The Miss Basketball event in Kearney is without a doubt one of the premier summer events... coaches from every level can find prospects as there are D-I, D-II and many solid D-III/NAIA players competing. For the cost, number of games to evaluate, facilities and meals, you can't get a more quality event. I would highly recommend this event for college coaches.” - NCAA Division I Coach.

“Doug, I was very impressed with the tournament format. I was able to see every team in the tournament play at least two times in two days. It was also nice that you provided the coaches with food and drinks several times per day. I was also impressed with the completeness of the tournament book. Every tournament should adopt your format and book.” - NCAA Division I Coach (West Coast).

“I just want to let you know that the Miss Basketball tournaments that I attended were the best events of the summer! Everything from tournament staff to organization was done first class! You run excellent events and I look forward to seeing you next summer.” - NCAA Division II Coach.

“Great tournament again... I have been to many events all over the Midwest and now the South and Southeast. None compare to yours in value, organization, and tourney stats and information. Looking forward to the next one I can attend!” - NCAA Division II Coach (East Coast).

“Congrats on another super tournament! You do an incredible job!” - NCAA Division I Coach.

“I really enjoyed my first trip to your event—I can see why coaches are so complimentary of the event.” - NCAA Division I Coach.

“Kearney is one of the two tournaments our coaching staff attends in the summer. It's organized, competitive and a friendly environment. It's a one stop shop.” - NCAA Division II Coach.

“Kick ass tournament Doug! I can't tell you how nice it is to have a packet that is organized. There are tournaments where I will spend a whole game trying to get organized. As a former player, I can also say that the music is awesome...kind of keeps everyone in the gym going.” - Junior College Head Coach.



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The Miss Basketball Showcase offers an unmatched mix of facilities, competition, college exposure, organization and hospitality. Here is why your team should put Kearney on your 2018 schedule:

- ☆ Exposure to various level college programs!
- ☆ Best organized event around!
- ☆ Competitive teams from different regions!
- ☆ Outstanding air conditioned facilities!
- ☆ Guaranteed 4-6 games!
- ☆ Very detailed Player Info Guide for college scouts!
- ☆ Motels are just minutes from the facilities!
- ☆ Computerized stats posted immediately after each game!
- ☆ Reputable staff with 27 years experience!
- ☆ Huge tourney program with rosters, schedules & more!
- ☆ Teams from 37 states & Canada have participated!

One of the great benefits of the Showcase is that it is well attended by college coaches of various levels. Here is a letter that highlights the opportunities a few Arizona girls have thanks to their participation in Miss Basketball -- with schools outside of the area that would normally recruit Arizona kids, but they were discovered in Kearney!

“My daughter Cara got a recruiting e-mail today from an assistant coach at Lake Superior State in Michigan. In it she referenced that she remembered Cara from last years' Miss Basketball. Speaking of recruiting, I am sure you like to hear success stories emanating from your tournament. Last summer a coach at Fort Lewis in Colorado came to watch Cara (who was a sophomore) and ended up being impressed also with our point guard Andrea (now a senior).Andrea signed with Fort Lewis a few months back. Also, our center at last summer's tournament (Chantel, now a senior) has signed with Central Arkansas. Thanks for the opportunities.” - Steve Bomar, Gilbert Genies (Arizona).





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Doug Koster hosted the first Mr. Basketball Invitational in 1992 with 12 teams from five states. The lone Mr. Basketball tournament in 1992, has grown into a full-time basketball promotion business, Mr. Basketball, Inc. In 2018, Koster will host 15 major events with more than 1,100 teams from 20 states.

Since 1992, boys and girls teams from 37 states and three Canadian provinces have ventured to Kearney, Nebraska, for the tournaments.

Alumni of the Mr. Basketball & Miss Basketball tournaments are now playing in the NBA, NFL, WNBA, MLB and for many of the top mens & womens NCAA programs.

Although the majority of the events are held in Kearney, Koster also hosts the Minnesota Showcase and Dakota Showcase events in Mankato and Sioux Falls, along with a handful of youth tournaments in small communities in Central Nebraska.

In 1992, Doug was certainly the nation's youngest major tournament director at just 19 years of age and a college freshman when he hosted the first Mr. Basketball event. From the beginning, coaches have praised the events as the best organized anywhere.

Doug Koster graduated from Kearney High School in 1991 and the University of Nebraska at Kearney in 1995. He was the first to enroll in UNK's Sport Administration program.

In 1994, he served an internship with the Indiana Pacers front office in media and community relations for five months as part of his Sport Administration degree. He also served as an administrative assistant during the Southern California Pro Basketball Summer League for NBA players.

During his prep career, Koster led the Kearney High Bearcats to the state tournament in 1990, and the state semi-finals in 1991. As a senior, he averaged 23.1 points and 12 boards while leading the 'Cats to a 15-5 record. He scored a school record 40 points vs. Fremont while shooting 15-of-16 from the field, 7-of-9 from the line and 1-of-1 from three. He holds several KHS scoring and rebounding records and was a two-time first team Class A (big school) all-state selection.

He was a member of the 1990 Valentino's Nebraska All-Star Team that advanced to the Final 8 of the Nike Las Vegas Invitational, before being ousted by a Dallas team led by future NBA players Greg Ostertag, Mario Bennett and Jimmy King. Doug's Valentino's teammate Erick Strickland played in the NBA for several years.

Koster served as the freshman boys assistant for one year before serving as the sophomore head coach for two seasons at Kearney High.

Koster is a member of the Kearney Chamber of Commerce Sport and Rec Committee, and the Bearcat Booster Club.

Mr. Basketball, Inc. was named the 2008 Small Business of the Year at the 90th Annual Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce banquet in March 2009. Koster was also honored as the 2008 Marketer of the Year by the UNK chapter of the American Marketing Association.

Doug, 44, and his wife, Beth, have a 21-year old daughter, Keona, and a 17-year old son, Kanon.



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2018 TEAM ENTRY FORM

To secure a spot in the 2018 Miss Basketball Showcase, please complete this form and return along with a cashier's check or money order for the \$125 nonrefundable deposit. The nonrefundable balance will be due in April. Online payments can be made with a credit card at www.MissBasketball.com.

DIVISION (circle): PLATINUM GOLD SILVER

TEAM NAME _____

COACH _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

DAY PHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

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

TITLE _____ NAME _____

DAY PHONE _____

CELL PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

RETURN ENTRY FORM & FEE TO:

MISS BASKETBALL SHOWCASE

5003 AVENUE G PLACE

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• Miss Basketball Showcase 2018 Motel Info •

We have secured room blocks at several motels for teams & parents during Miss Basketball. Teams should plan on arriving in Kearney the night before the tournament, Wed., July 11. All teams will begin pool play on Thurs., July 12. All of the motels are in the same general vicinity, only 5-10 minutes from the UNK Health & Sports Center and Kearney Catholic High School. They are within walking distance of restaurants and entertainment.

Coaches are encouraged to copy this form for parents who will be attending the tournament. Kearney motels will be very close to being sold out this week, please make reservations early. These room blocks will be released in early June. 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.

AMERICINN LODGE & SUITES 308-234-7800 complimentary hot, home-style breakfast, high speed internet, 24 hour coffee bar. Large indoor pool, hot tub, sauna. Spacious guest rooms remodeled recently with new queen beds & bedding, fridge/micro, HDTV. Rooms are \$114.90 for double queen rooms (up to 4 people). Ask about Hospitality Suite for a team gathering and our late check-out options. Make sure you tell them you are with the Miss Basketball room block to insure rate.

BEST WESTERN PLUS 308-234-2541 has an 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. Mention you are with Miss Basketball to access rooms.

NEW VICTORIAN INN 308-237-5858 Complimentary breakfast from 5am to 11am, fridges and microwaves in all rooms, free wireless internet, complimentary coffee & cookies. Please mention you are with Miss Basketball when you call. Rate is \$69.99 plus tax.

MICROTEL INNS & SUITES 308-698-3003 offers rooms with 2 queens or a suite with 1 queen & a sofa pullout (microwave, fridge, sink) with continental breakfast & hot waffles. Indicate that they are reserving rooms for the Miss Basketball tournament and receive a 15% discount.

COUNTRY INN & SUITES 308-236-7500 has rooms for \$129.00 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. Mention you are with Miss Basketball to access rooms.

RAMADA INN 308-237-3141 provides rooms for \$99 per night with four persons per room, plus tax, includes free full breakfast buffet. They have a "fundome" with indoor pool, hot tub and more. Mention you are with Miss Basketball to access rooms.

HOLIDAY INN 308-237-5971 provides rooms for \$139.95 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. They have an indoor waterslide, pool, hot tub and more. Free wi-fi, fridge & microwaves, HDTV's in each room.

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS 308-234-8100 provides rooms for \$139.95 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. They have an indoor pool, hot tub and more. Free wi-fi, fridge & microwaves, HDTV's in each room.

HAMPTON INN 308-234-3400 provides rooms for \$159.95 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. They have an indoor pool, hot tub, free wi-fi, fridge & microwaves, HDTV's in each room.

LAQUINTA INN 308-237-4400 provides rooms for \$149.95 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. They have an indoor pool, hot tub, fitness center and more. Free wi-fi, fridge & microwaves, HDTV's in each room.

FAIRFIELD INN 308-236-4200 provides rooms for \$159.95 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. They have an indoor pool, hot tub and more. Free wi-fi, fridge & microwaves, HDTV's in each room.

COMFORT INN 308-236-3400 provides rooms for \$149.95 per night with four persons per room, plus tax. They have an indoor pool, hot tub, breakfast & free wi-fi. Formerly the Hampton Inn, it has been remodeled and re-opened as the Comfort Inn in 2014.

MOTEL 6 308-338-0705 clean and modern rooms with free wireless internet access in all rooms.

BASKETBALL TEAMS

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Kearney, NE 68847
308-237-5971



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Kearney, NE 68845
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108 3rd Ave.
Kearney, NE 68847
308-237-4400



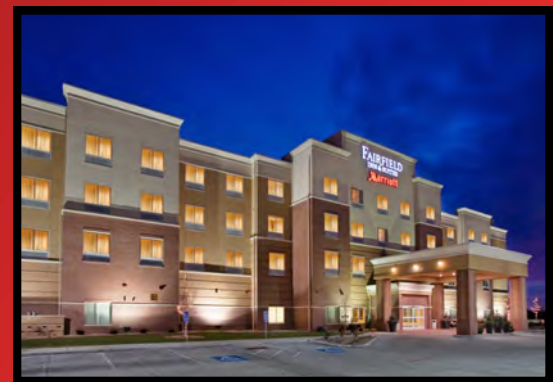
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Kearney, NE 68847
308-234-8100



510 Talmadge St.
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- **"Sozo" Restaurant & Lounge on-site at Holiday Inn**



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