

### MR. BASKETBALL

Hosted by Mr. Basketball, Inc. | MisterBasketball.com Doug Koster (308) 440-7267 | doug@misterbasketball.com

We invite your teams to compete in the 29th Annual Mr. Basketball Invitational college exposure tournament on Friday-Sunday, July 3-5, 2020, in Kearney, Nebraska.

The event is open to 5th thru 11th grade boys teams. All teams will play 4-6 games at the University of Nebraska-Kearney Health & Sports Center and KCHS Cope Coliseum.

Each year NCAA, NAIA and junior college programs scout the talented Mr. Basketball field. Alumni have gone on to play in every major NCAA conference, as well as in the NBA, NFL and MLB. Alumni have played for top programs like Duke, Indiana, Kansas, Arizona and more; we've had one NBA Rookie of the Year, and alumni have won championship rings in both the NBA and NFL.

Our events provide outstanding competition, college exposure, facilities and officials, and are the best organized events of the summer. Register your teams today!

<u>AGES:</u> Divisions for 5th thru 11th grade boys. Teams must register for the grade level of their oldest player. Players may play on two teams only if they are in two different age groups. Teams may request to play up (please note this on registration).

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

**ENTRY FEE:** The nonrefundable entry fee is \$395 per team, with great multi-team discounts for programs with 2-4 teams (\$375 per team) and 5+ teams (\$350 per team) while spots remain available. After May 25, the entry fee is \$450 per team.

<u>SCOREKEEPERS & ATHLETIC TRAINERS:</u> We provide scorekeepers for the book & clock for all games and have an athletic trainer on staff during our events.

<u>GAME RULES:</u> Games will consist of two-16 minute halves (stop-clock). No bonus free throws will be shot during the first half, shooting fouls will be, though. Teams will enter the bonus on the 7th team foul of the second half, no two shot bonus on the 10th foul. Each team receives 3 timeouts per game. All divisions 7th grade and older will use the regulation men's ball.

MOTELS: We have outstanding lodging partners that are less than 10 minutes from the gyms. We do not have a "stay to play" requirement.

MISTERBASKETBALL.COM: Visit our website at misterbasketball.com for schedules, results and more info for all of our events in Central Nebraska and Sioux Falls, SD.

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. Teams from 37 states & Canada have competed in the tournaments. If you have any questions, you can reach Doug at (308) 440-7267, or email doug@misterbasketball.com.

DREAM, PREPARE, BATTLE

#### A SAMPLE OF PROGRAMS AT MR. BASKETBALL IN RECENT YEARS

# WHO'S PLAYED

**DENVER HOOPERZ** 

**EAST SUPREME** 

**ELEVATION FLYERS** 

**FAITH CHRISTIAN** 

**GOING VERTICAL** 

**FAMILY FIRST PIRANHAZ** 

**GRAND ISLAND THUNDER** 

**GRANDVIEW WOLVES** 

**DRIVES POWER ELITE** 

**DENVER RED SHIELD DOHERTY** 

**5280 HOOPS ALASKA ICE ARIZONA STARS ARIZONA WARRIORS TEAM SUGGS ARKANSAS BLUE BOMBERS ARKANSAS ELITE ARKANSAS HAWKS B&B ACADEMY BC DENVER BILLUPS ELITE BIRMINGHAM MAGIC BISON NEBRASKA ALL-STARS BORDER RUNNERS BULLDOG BASKETBALL CLUB CARDINAL BLACK** CENTRAL NEBRASKA GAMECOCKS **CENTRAL NEBRASKA HOOPS CHEYENNE FLIGHT RED** CHICAGO DEMONS **CHICAGO GRINDERS CNBA KNIGHTS COLORADO ANARCHY COLORADO BASKETBALL FACTORY COLORADO CARDINALS** COLORADO CHAOS **COLORADO CHILL** COLORADO ELITE **COLORADO FLAMES** COLORADO GAMECOCKS COLORADO GOLD **COLORADO HAWKS COLORADO HORNETS COLORADO KINGS COLORADO MINERS** 

COLORADO PREMIER
COLORADO REGULATORS

**COLORADO SHINING STARS** 

COLORADO SPRINGS FLIGHT

**COLORADO THUNDER BLACK** 

**COLORADO TOP FLIGHT** 

**COLORADO TRUTH** 

**COLORADO UNITED** 

**COLORADO WILD** 

**COLUMBUS HOOPS** 

**COMPLETE HOOPS** 

**DAKOTA SCHOOLERS** 

CS HOT SHOTS

**COLORADO REPS** 

HASTINGS ST. CECILIA HAVE BALL WILL TRAVEL HICKORY **IOWA CORNSHARKS IOWA ELITE JC HOOPS JOHN BAYLOR TEST PREP** K.M. ELITE KANSAS ELITE HOOPS KANSAS HOOP SERVICE KC CRUSADERS KC POWERGROUP KC RUNNIN REBELS KCMO KNIGHTS **KEARNEY ALL STARS KEARNEY CATS KNIGHTS ELITE** KS OC STARS **LEE'S SUMMIT ALL-STARS** LEGENDS **LIBERTY LANCERS** LINCOLN CHRISTIAN LINCOLN SHOCKERS LINCOLN SUPREME LONGMONT RUSH MID KANSAS MID KANSAS RENEGADE MID KANSAS WHITE MID NEBRASKA HOOPS **MILE HI MAYHEM** MILE HIGH RAGE MINNESOTA MAGIC MISSIOURI MAVERICKS MISSOURI ELITE MISSOURI MAGIC ELITE MUSTANGS **NDAGYM** 



Three of the top four all-time scorers in the Mr. Basketball Invitational played in recent events. Jervay Green (Team BANG) is now playing for Nebraska, Dru Kuxhausen (Scottsbluff) is at McNeese State and Kanon Koster (photo) is now playing for the U of South Dakota.

**NEBRASKA KNIGHTS NEBRASKA PRIDE NEBRASKA SELECT NEXT LEVEL HOOPS** NORTH DAKOTA FURY **NORTHWEST BALLERS NW KANSAS MUSTANGS OKLAHOMA MUSTANGS OKLAHOMA SERVANTS** OKLAHOMA SHOCK **OMAHA CRUSADERS** PANHANDLE EXPLOSION PHILLIPSBURG POSSE **POWER PLAY ELITE** POWERGROUP PRIMETIME BALLERZ PW HOOP CLUB **RBU CROSSOVER ROCKY MOUNTAIN FEVER ROCKY MOUNTAIN VIPERS** ROUNDBALL UNLIMITED SABETHA BLUEJAYS

**SCOTTSBLUFF** 

**SCU FORCE SOUTH DAKOTA HEAT TEAM BANG TEAM DENVER** TEAM ILLINOIS **TEAM MISSOURI TEAM NEBRASKA EXPRESS TEAM TRILL TEXAS HOOPSTERS ELITE** THE FACTORY BASKETBALL THUNDERRIDGE GRIZZLIES **TITANS BASKETBALL TROPICS** TRU FEDERATION **TWENTY THIRTEEN UNDERDAWGS ELITE WARROAD REBELS WESTERN KS ELITE WISCONSIN BLIZZARD WISCONSIN DYNASTY** WISCONSIN PLAYGROUND WARRIORS

WYOMING FLIGHT

WYOMING WOLVES

### **DOUG KOSTER**

## President of Mr. Basketball, Inc.





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 2020, Koster will host 15 major events with more than 1,100 teams. 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 have gone on to play in the NBA, NFL, WNBA, MLB and for many of the top mens & womens college programs.

Most events are held in Kearney, but Koster also hosts the Dakota Showcase in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, along with several youth tournaments throughout 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.

Doug was inducted into the Kearney High School Athletic Hall of Fame in 2019. He broke a number of KHS scoring and rebounding records and was a two-time first team Class A (big school) all-state selection. His 23.05 PPG remains the school record for a single season.

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.

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

Doug, 46, and his wife, Beth, have a daughter, Keona, who is a Project Coordinator for the Arbor Day Foundation, and a son, Kanon, who was named the 2018 Omaha World Herald Athlete of the Year. An all-state quarterback and basketball player with a handful of DI basketball offers, Kanon chose to play basketball for the University of Nebraska-Kearney. Kanon was the fifth leading freshman scorer in DII. Kanon has transferred to the University of South Dakota and will sit out the 2019-20 season before having three seasons to play for the Division I Coyotes.



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#### **2020 TEAM ENTRY FORM**

To secure a spot for your team(s) in the Mr. Basketball Invitational, please complete this form and return along with a check or money order for the payment in full. The entry fee is \$395 per team, with multi-team discount for 2-4 teams (\$375 per team) and 5+ teams (\$350 per team).

TEAM NAME						
2019-20 GF	RADE LEVE	L OF OLDEST	PLAYER	(CIRCLE)	:	
5TH	6ТН	7TH	8TH	9ТН	10TH	11th
COACH						
ADDRESS						
					ZIP	
CELL PHONE						
E-MAIL						
If you have an	n additional	contact person,	other than	n the coach,	please list	below.
TITLE		NAME				
CELL PHONE	Ε					
E-MAIL						

#### **RETURN ENTRY FORM AND FEE TO:**

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