

KEARNEY BLOWOUT

March 16-17, 2024 • Kearney, Nebraska
Boys & Girls 3rd-9th Grade Teams!

The 30th Annual Kearney Blowout is slated for March 16-17, 2024, 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!

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. 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.

- **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.

- **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!** Teams from across Nebraska and several surrounding states will take part in the Blowout!

- **3 game guarantee!**

Register your team early & make plans to participate in one of Nebraska's longest running youth tournaments!

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KEARNEY BLOWOUT INFO

DATES: March 16-17, 2024 (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 \$160. We ask that each team pay with one check payable to Mr. Basketball, Inc. Sorry, no refunds after registration submitted. A \$95 fee will be retained if the event is cancelled due to weather.

BRACKETS: All teams are guaranteed 3 games. Depending on the final number of teams per division, we use a mix of 4, 5, 6, or 8 team brackets. 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. After this date, contact Doug at 308-440-7267 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: 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 will be posted at MisterBasketball.com by March 8.

MOTELS

Kearney is a popular convention destination and offers many great motels. It is very important that you and your team make reservations as soon as possible! 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!

Kearney Blowout Motel Information

We have established a number of room blocks for the 2024 Kearney Blowout. Most of the motels are holding rooms for our group, but they are first-come, first-served. I would encourage you to call and put rooms in your team's name as soon as possible. Teams travelling from 3-5 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 the motel. **BOOK YOUR ROOMS EARLY!!!**

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 directly and receive a 15% discount when you indicate you are with our event based on availability.

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 with queen beds, fridge/micro, HDTV. Rooms are \$129 for double queen rooms. Ask about Hospitality Suite for a team gathering and our late check-out options. Make sure you tell them you are with the Kearney Blowout room block.

NEW VICTORIAN INN 308-237-5858 Complimentary breakfast from 5am to 11am, fridges & microwaves in all rooms, free wifi, complimentary coffee & cookies. Indicate you are with the Kearney Blowout when you call. Rate is \$79.99 plus tax.

CROWNE PLAZA 308-238-7000 Indoor water park, pool, fitness center, free wi-fi, mini-fridge and Keurig in each room. Contact the motel directly and receive a 5% discount when you indicate you are with our event. On site restaurant serves breakfast, lunch and dinner.

HAMPTON INN 308-234-3400 Indoor pool, hot tub and more. Free wi-fi, fridge & microwaves, HDTVs. Contact the motel directly and receive a 5% discount when you indicate you are with our event.

LAQUINTA INN 308-237-4400 Indoor pool, hot tub, fitness center and more. Free wi-fi, fridge & microwaves, HDTVs. Contact the motel directly and receive a 5% discount when you indicate you are with our event.

FAIRFIELD INN 308-236-4200 Indoor pool, hot tub, fitness center and more. Free wi-fi, fridge & microwaves, HDTVs. Contact the motel directly and receive a 5% discount when you indicate you are with our event.

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS 308-234-8100 Indoor pool, hot tub, free wi-fi, fridge & microwaves, HDTVs. Contact the motel directly and receive a 5% discount when you indicate you are with our event.

COMFORT INN 308-236-3400 Indoor pool, hot tub, breakfast & free wi-fi. Contact the motel directly and receive a 5% discount when you indicate you are with our event.

CANDLEWOOD SUITES 308-237-5971 Contact the motel directly and receive a 5% discount when you indicate you are with our event.

HOLIDAY INN 308-237-5971 Indoor waterslide, pool, hot tub, free wi-fi, fridge & microwave, HDTVs. Contact the motel directly and receive a 5% discount when you indicate you are with our event.

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 \$160 to:

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

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



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WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS

Call the hotel of your choice and mention the Mr. Basketball Tournament to receive the tournament discount.

RESTAURANTS ON THE YOUNES CAMPUS

- Fyre Modern Grill
- Angus Burger and Shakes
- Coppermill Steakhouse
- Cunningham's on the Lake
- Joy's Table

