

2024 Boys Basketball State Tournament Media Information

Thank you for your coverage of Minnesota State High School League activities.

Dates: Wednesday, March 20-Saturday, March 23, 2024

Coverage Information:

Approved Media List:

- All media members must be on the Tournament Approved Media List to gain access to cover this event.
- Credential Application closes at 7 p.m., on Tuesday, March 19. This deadline is firm for Professional Media and Student Media. No changes can be made after this deadline.
- Please confirm that your name is on the list. You can access the list at www.mshsl.org/media -->State
 Tournament Coverage.
- Student Media: School Administrators must apply for Student Media access <u>www.mshsl.org/media</u> >State Tournament Coverage
- Per League Media Policies and Guidelines, Designated Team Photographers, Independent
 Photographers and Videographers are not granted credentials for state tournament coverage.

Venues:

Quarterfinal and semifinal venues: Target Center, Minneapolis | Williams Arena, University of Minnesota Campus **Championship and semifinal rounds:** Williams Arena, Minneapolis

Consolation and third place: Gangelhoff Center | Concordia (St. Paul) campus | 235 Hamline Ave. No. | St. Paul, MN **See Brackets and Schedule at www.mshsl.org/boysbasketball for venues for each classes' games.

Onsite Information:

• Entrance/Check in for Williams Arena:

- Pass Gate, Oak Street Entrance
- Pass Gate opens 90 minutes prior to first session of the day
- Photo ID required for credential pickup
- Visible credential: String Tag

Entrance/Check in for Target Center

- o Pass Gate, Arena Level, Second Avenue North Entrance
- Pass Gate opens 90 minutes prior to first session of the day
- Photo ID required for credential pickup
- Visible credential: String Tag

Target Center:

- Quarterfinals: Auxiliary press area on the Arena Level below Section 136. Only working media are permitted in this area.
- o Workroom: Cargo Room, Arena Level
- o Photo Zones: Endlines. No photography from behind Press Row.

Williams Arena:

- Media workstations:
 - Radio Partners, courtside.
 - Additional press seating courtside may be available on a first-come first-served basis.

- Courtside seating is only for working media.
- Section 203 is also available for media seating.
- o Media Workroom: Room W200
- o Photo Zones: Courtside along north sideline

Photo Information:

- There is no reserving of photo locations. Business cards and sign-up sheets at photo locations are not authorized by the Minnesota State High School League.
- o For questions regarding photo locations and procedures, please consult onsite Media Steward.

Postgame interview access with coaches and selected players

- Quarterfinals-scrum format
 - A League Media Steward will escort coaches and players to those locations.
 - Williams Arena --- University of Minnesota Men's Basketball Team Room -- Media may use the elevator adjacent to Room W200 to get to interview location.
 - Target Center --- Cargo Room, Arena Level
- Semifinals and championship games (Formal news conference style):
 - A League Media Steward will escort coaches and players to those locations.
 - Williams Arena --- Room W200
 - Target Center --- Target Center Press Workroom, Arena Level
- Consolation Round: Work with Tournament Staff to arrange interviews, if desired.

45TV Broadcast Information (Semifinals and Championship Games)

- 45TV has the first interview with coaches and/or players of their choice, following the completion of any televised game.
- All other credentialed media must wait until 45TV has completed its interviews, and the MSHSL Board of Directors-mandated 5-minute "cooling off" period has expired, before commencing its interviews in the News Conference Center.
- 45TV has exclusive rights to all game action on the playing court.
- Live game action may not be recorded, streamed, broadcast or otherwise shared. The use of video of game action on over-the-air television, cable television or any other media (e.g., Internet, wireless, podcasts) is within the exclusive rights granted to 45TV.
- A live shot or recorded stand up MUST NOT show the court of play and is only permitted when 45TV is off the air.
- Media using any televised game action video must adhere to the following guidelines:
 - Video highlights used by any media must be recorded from 45TV's off-air signal only, and use must not exceed two minutes in duration per day.
 - Live simulcasting is prohibited. All media organizations that use video highlights of 45TV's off-air game action must give on-screen synchronous credit to 45TV for a minimum of five seconds as the video airs.
 - No photos are permitted from beyond designated photo zones during game action.
 - Highlights recorded from off-air broadcasts may be used while the game(s) is/are still on the air.
 - Games broadcast by 45TV may not be videotaped in any manner, i.e.: mobile device or camera by anyone in the arena. Video is permitted to be shot at the venue before and after game sessions once 45TV is off the air. Game sessions are defined as when 45TV goes on the air to when it goes off the air.
 - Video restrictions include the medal and trophy presentations.

Additional Resources

The Boys Basketball pages provide programs, schedules, results and photo galleries from a League-contracted photographer: www.mshsl.org/boysbasketball

