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Mr. Basketball
CLASS A MR. BASKETBALL



Trey Johnson
Cosby High School

Trey Johnson is a 6'2 senior shooting guard for Cosby High School and a three year starter. He averages 29 points, 9 rebounds, 4.5 assists, 2 steals, and 2.5 blocks per game. He shoots 45% from the field, 40% from three-point range, and 80% from the free throw line. Trey was named All-District this season and All-District, All-District Tournament, District Tournament MVP, and All-State selection as a junior.



Walter Peggs
Madison Academic Magnet High School

Walter Peggs is a 6'4" senior guard for Madison Academic Magnet High School and a three year starter. He averages 23.1 points, 9.7 rebounds, and 2.6 steals per game. He shoots 51% from the field, 38% from three-point range, and 84% from the free throw line. Walter was named to the All-District, All-District Tournament, All-Region, and All-Region Tournament teams as a junior.



Grant Strong
Clay Co. High School

Grant Strong is a 6-5 junior guard for Clay Co. High School and a two year starter. He averages 31.5 points, 9 rebounds, 3.6 assists, and 2.3 steals per game. He shoots 59% from the field, 36% from three-point range, and 78% from the free throw line. Grant was named to the All-District team both as a freshman and sophomore. He was also an All-District Tournament, All-Region Tournament, and District Tournament MVP selection last year as a sophomore.

Head Coach: Kurt Brooks

Head Coach: Adam Simpson

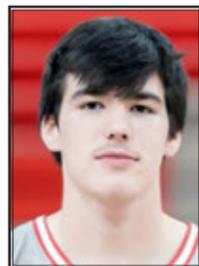
Head Coach: Rob Edwards

CLASS AA MR. BASKETBALL



Jakobi Gillespie
Greeneville High School

Jakobi Gillespie is a 6'1" junior guard for Greeneville High School and a two year starter. He averages 19.2 points, 3.9 rebounds, 2.6 assists, and 2.2 steals per game. He shoots 56% from the field, 30% from three-point range, and 76% from the free throw line. Last year as a sophomore, Jakobi was named to the All-District, All-District Tournament, District Tournament MVP, All-Region, and All-Region Tournament teams.



Trey Morrow
Scott High School

Trey Morrow is a 6'4 junior point guard for Scott High School and a three year starter. He averages 26.7 points, 10 rebounds, 2.5 steals, and 2 blocks per game. He shoots 61% from the field, 30% from three-point range, and 76% from the free throw line. Trey was named to the All-District and All-District Tournament teams as a freshman and sophomore. He was also named to the All-Region, All-Region Tournament, and All-State teams as a sophomore. He has scored over 1,800 points and has over 900 career rebounds.

Head Coach: Brad Woolsey

Head Coach: Jordan Jeffers

Head Coach: Rick Rudesill



Mr. Basketball
CLASS AAA MR. BASKETBALL



Mason Miller
Houston High School

Mason Miller is a 6'9" senior guard for Houston High School and a four year starter. He averages 22.5 points, 8 rebounds, 4 assists, and 2 steals per game. He shoots 64% from the field, 40% from three-point range, and 92% from the free-throw line. Mason was named to the All-District, All-District Tournament, All-Region, All-Region Tournament, and All-State teams as a junior. He is a McDonald's All-American nominee this season.

Head Coach: Mike Miller



Matthew Schneider
Siegel High School

Matthew Schneider is a 6'5" senior forward for Siegel High School and a three year starter. He averages 19.7 points and 8.1 rebounds per game. He shoots 55% from the field, 33% from three-point range, and 92% from the free-throw line. Matthew was named to the All-District, All-District Tournament, All-Region, and All-Region Tournament teams as a junior. He has over 1,400 points and 600 rebounds in his career.

Head Coach: Dyron Birdwell



Grant Slatten
White Co. High School

Grant Slatten is a 6'6" senior guard for White Co. High School and a four year starter. He averages 35.4 points, 5.1 rebounds, 3.1 assists, and 2.4 steals per game. He shoots 60% from the field, 39% from three-point range, and 83% from the free throw line. Grant was named to the All-District, All-District Tournament, and All-Region Tournament teams each year of his high school career. He was an All-State selection as a junior. Grant holds both the single-game scoring record and career scoring record at White County.

Head Coach: Eric Mitchell





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Boys' basketball teams take the Murphy Center floor for first time since 2019

Nine qualifiers from 2020 are back in 2021 field

John Brice for TSSAA.org

It has been a year-long goal to return to the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Boys' State Basketball Tournament this week, amidst a continuing pandemic that last season robbed 24 teams across the Volunteer State of a shot at a state championship title.

Nine squads this week are back – Clay County, MAHS, Greeneville, Jackson South Side, Upperman, Cleveland, Houston, Oak Ridge and Pearl Cohn -- after earning berths in the tournament a year ago but never lacing up a single shoe inside the 'Glass House' as the virus unleashed its crippling effects in every facet of life.

For some, the price to pay to return to the hardwood has meant regular COVID-19 screenings.

For members of Nashville's Pearl-Cohn team, the price to pay for returning to the hardwood has meant submitting to daily virus testing.

Not just gamedays.

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Every day.

If there's a practice, there's a test. If there's a game, there's a test; rapid tests are administered via a nurse sent to the school.

"We've been taking COVID tests every day. Every day," says first-year Pearl head coach Larrie Smith, previously an assistant in the program. "I'm just happy we can play under all the circumstances.

"But we had to take one just before practice (Monday), we'll take one Tuesday, and Wednesday before the game. If we win, we'll take one Thursday before practice and again Friday and Saturday before the games if we can keep playing. We've got some of these kids that have taken 60 COVID tests."

Sacrifices are bonds as common this week as dribbles and dunks for all participating teams inside Middle Tennessee State University's Murphy Center.

"I was an assistant for (Oak Ridge coach Aaron) Green for five years before this and that's who we play in the first round," Siegel coach Dyron Birdwell, a former University of Tennessee manager under Bruce Pearl, says. "I've talked to him a lot. Both of us are just happy to still be practicing.

"There was a point in time in December we were afraid the season was going to get shut down or if we did finish, it might just be with parents. It means a lot to these kids, to these communities and to show the type of young men that have bought into doing what they are supposed to do. It's tough. And a huge shoutout to Gov. (Bill) Lee and the TSSAA for giving us this opportunity to finish this thing out on the floor."

Tucked in the Bluff City, Memphis Academy of Health Sciences (MAHS) players meet only on the hardwood floors. The school's been in virtual learning the entirety of the academic year as school leaders and elected officials have grappled with the best path.

"It's a good day for the MAHS community for us to be able to go back to state again, from being so disappointed last year from getting there and not getting that opportunity to play," says Lions coach Vernon Watkins. "We came in this year and had like half a season, really. But (the students) worked extremely hard this year for this.

"It's very valuable. We've been in virtual learning all year, and they didn't get the opportunity to walk the halls together, didn't get a chance to have that good fellowship with one another at lunch. They go to school all day virtually and come in and practice after school."

At Cleveland High School, a program with a long-storied tradition on the state stage, the Blue Raiders emerge from southeast Tennessee as a hardened group.

"Well, this is our third year in a row earning our spot to compete in the state tournament and it's my second as the Runnin' Raiders head coach," Cleveland's Reggie Tucker says. "Each time has been a special moment, but this time our players were offered a chance to do a very special and unique thing under tough circumstances and facing different roadblocks on the way."

In addition to the universally shared battle with the pandemic, Tucker's Raiders also are back in the 'Boro after persevering through not one but two season-ending injuries to previous starters.

"For these student-athletes to accomplish so much this season through all the obstacles makes this one so special," Tucker says. "Last season was a season to remember and one that I'll never forget, but I owed it to

this group to put that season behind us and focus on preparing them mentally and physically on what was ahead. They needed to know that I believed in them and that they could get it done."

To a coach, it is the shared trait of team-above-self that marks this season as a unicorn; one-of-a-kind.

"That's what the kids wanted, just to compete and have a chance to be where we are now," Birdwell says. "We got shut down once right at fall break for a positive test, but we've not been shut down to this point in-season and that's a credit to our kids, having to sacrifice some of the memories that you get when you're a senior."

Adds the Firebirds' Smith, "I'm just very proud of this group. Just to see the development of the young men and the want to get better and the want to have the opportunity to play in the state tournament and to work hard and sacrifice and to try to get to go play ball at

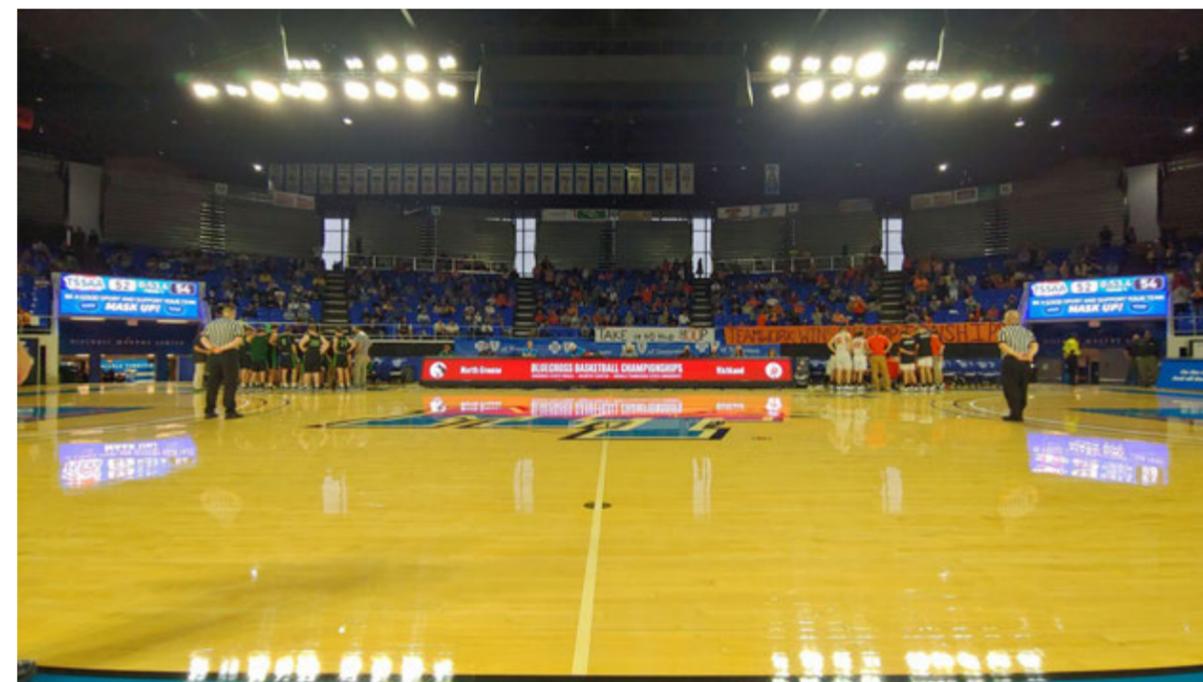
some level of college, get a free education so that Mom and Dad aren't paying or so that they don't have student loans in 20 years. I'm proud of them."

Regardless of what unfolds the next four days in Murfreesboro, Watkins knows these players leave a lasting legacy.

"Every day we always say we have to be disciplined if we want to continue to play, that we have to do what we are supposed to do off the court. It would have been extremely hard for my generation to sacrifice so many social freedoms.

"We've got kids from all parts of the city; southeast, west, all different places. They've come together to make this work. I think about that all of the time."

It is then, perhaps, the lasting image of this entire championship week.



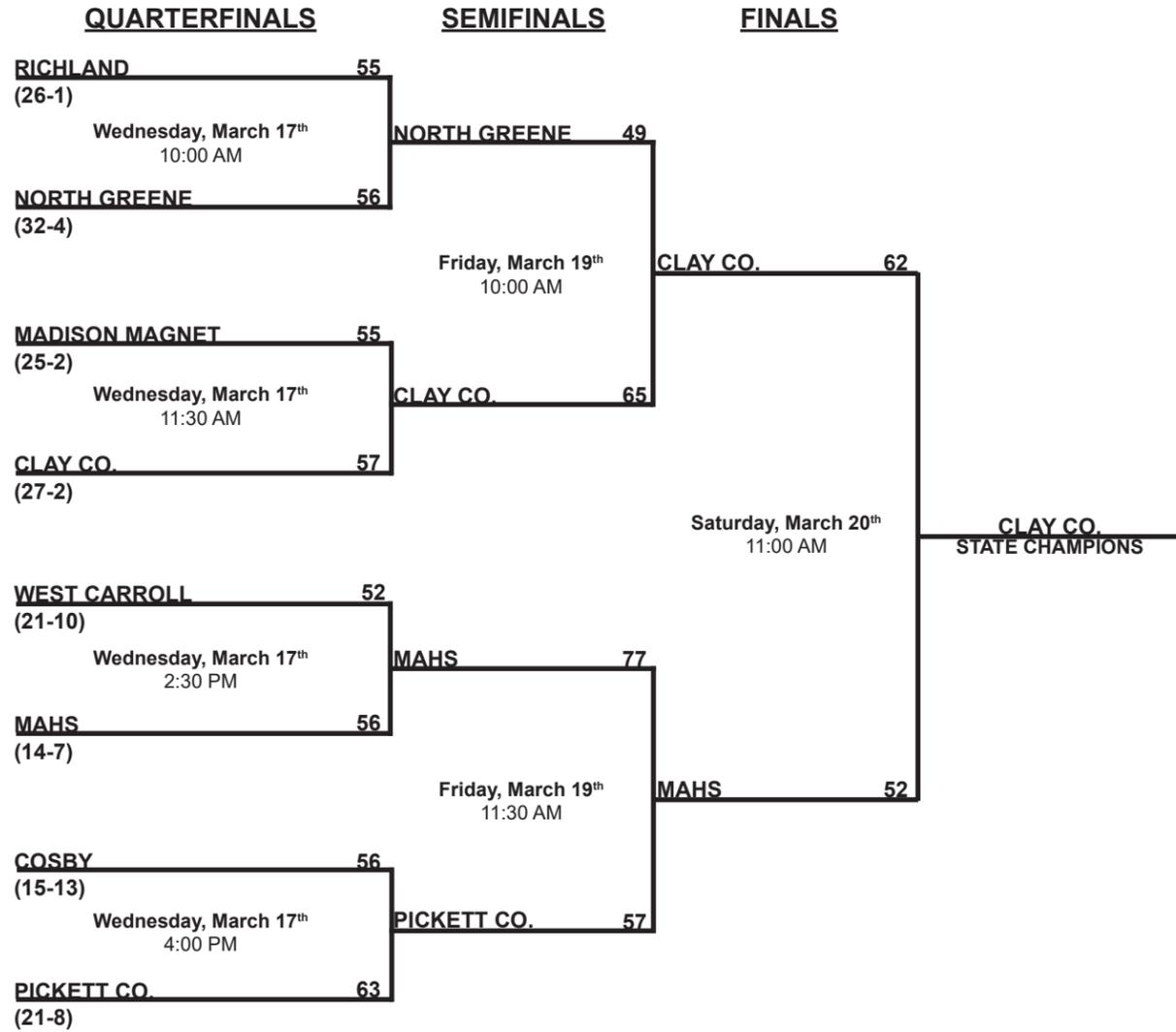
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<p>1</p> <p>Clay Co. High School Celina, TN</p> <p>Past State Tournament Appearances 10 (2020) State Runner-Up..... 1 (2017) State Tournament Record..... (3-9)</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Cosby High School Cosby, TN</p> <p>Past State Tournament Appearances 8 (2019) State Runner-Up..... 2 (2000) State Tournament Record..... (5-8)</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Madison Academic Magnet High School Jackson, TN</p> <p>Past State Tournament Appearances 1st</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Memphis Academy of Health Sciences Memphis, TN</p> <p>Past State Tournament Appearances 1 (2020)</p>
<p>5</p> <p>North Greene High School Greeneville, TN</p> <p>Past State Tournament Appearances 3 (2018) State Tournament Record..... (2-3)</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Pickett Co. High School Byrdstown, TN</p> <p>Past State Tournament Appearances 10 (2005) State Runner-Up..... 1 (1993) State Championships 2 (1995) State Tournament Record..... (10-8)</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Richland High School Lynnville, TN</p> <p>Past State Tournament Appearances 4 (2013) State Runner-Up..... 1 (1987) State Tournament Record..... (3-4)</p>	<p>8</p> <p>West Carroll High School Atwood, TN</p> <p>Past State Tournament Appearances 2 (1996) State Tournament Record..... (2-2)</p>



DIVISION I CLASS A BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (TOP BRACKET)

*Richland High School
Lynnville, TN
Home of the Raiders*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
00	Tristin Begley	G	5-09	Fr.
1	Brandon Edwards	G	5-09	8 th
2	Tyrell Randolph	G	6-00	Jr.
4	Jase Derryberry	G	5-10	So.
10	Logan Helton	G	6-03	Sr.
12	Landon Hawkins	G	5-09	Fr.
15	Andrew Huff	G	5-09	8 th
22	Jackson Alsup	F	5-10	Sr.
23	Kolton Hood	G	6-00	Sr.
24	Daniel Nicholson	G	5-09	Sr.
30	Jayden Pryor	F	5-10	8 th
34	Luke Jones	F	6-02	8 th
35	Trey Luna	G	6-00	Jr.
44	Gage Kirk	F	6-04	Fr.
50	Stevie Ballinger	C	6-04	Sr.

HC: Jason Loveless
AC: Stephen Gordon, Chad Hall
School Colors: Orange, Black, White
Record: (26-1)

*District 10 Champions
Region 5 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
East Robertson.....	W 62-40
Houston Co.....	W 62-27
Jo Byrns.....	W 51-40
Sectional	
Loretto	W 60-41

DIVISION I CLASS A BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (TOP BRACKET)

*Madison Academic Magnet High School
Jackson, TN
Home of the Mustangs*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
0	Damarkus Gaston	G	5-08	Jr.
2	Marshall Mize	F	6-00	Fr.
3	Braden Nye	G	5-09	So.
4	Lance Franks	G	6-00	So.
5	Elijah Lovelady	G	5-05	Jr.
10	Solomon Peggs	F	6-01	Jr.
11	Kylan Dalton	PG	5-10	Sr.
12	Jaydin Poe	F	6-01	Jr.
13	Kevin Hicks	F	5-11	Jr.
21	Walter Peggs	G	6-04	Sr.
22	Christian Ballard	G	6-00	Sr.
23	Drew Mayo	G	6-04	Jr.
24	Kyle Korth	G	6-00	So.
34	Joshua Durr	F	6-00	Jr.

HC: Adam Simpson
AC: Brennon Day, Devarean Douglas
School Colors: Navy, Cardinal, Vegas Gold
Record: (25-2)

*District 14 Champions
Region 7 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Greenfield.....	W 63-38
Middleton.....	W 59-53
Union City.....	W 52-37
Sectional	
Bye	

*North Greene High School
Greeneville, TN
Home of the Huskies*

#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
1	Sam English	G	5-09	Fr.
3	Carson Whaley	G	6-01	Sr.
4	Cayden Foulks	G	5-08	Sr.
5	Chance Campbell	G	5-10	Sr.
10	Evan Starnes	F	6-00	Jr.
11	Cody Freshour	F	6-00	Jr.
12	Don Stansfield	F	5-09	Fr.
20	Ethan Cooper	G	6-00	Jr.
21	John Grissinger	G	5-11	Jr.
22	Dennis Malone	G	5-09	So.
23	Cameron Breeden	G	5-08	Jr.
24	Jason Britton	G	5-09	Fr.
32	Kendal Loftis	F	6-04	Sr.
33	Chriss Schultz	F	6-03	Jr.
42	Shane Cooter	F	6-03	Sr.



HC: Sam Tarlton
AC: Kurt Glover, Arnold Loftis, Richard Tarlton
School Colors: Dark Green, Gray
Record: (32-4)

*District 1 Champions
Region 1 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Greenback.....	W 89-39
Sullivan North.....	W 78-57
Cosby.....	W 71-68
Sectional	
Chattanooga Arts & Sciences.....	W 64-53

*Clay Co. High School
Celina, TN
Home of the Bulldogs*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
00	John Hamilton	C	6-04	So.
2	Eli Smith	G	5-10	Jr.
3	Jimmy Burchett	G	5-10	So.
4	Jeffery Spivey	F	6-04	Jr.
5	Brayden Allred	F	5-10	Fr.
10	Gunnar Silk	G	5-11	Sr.
11	Grant Strong	G	6-05	Jr.
13	Keaton Arms	F	6-02	So.
14	Zander Hale	G	5-09	Fr.
15	Bryce Bailey	F	6-02	So.
21	Coltan Anderson	C	6-02	Fr.
22	Weston Birdwell	F	5-10	Fr.
24	Andrew Smith	G	5-10	Fr.
30	Wyatt Browning	F	6-03	Fr.
31	Joseph Birdwell	G	5-08	Fr.
44	Austin Anderson	G	5-10	Fr.

HC: Rob Edwards
AC: Joshua Jenkins, Andrew Meadows, Matt Walker
School Colors: Black, Vegas Gold, Purple
Record: (27-2)

*District 6 Champions
Region 3 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Richard Hardy.....	W 91-33
Van Buren Co.....	W 72-50
Pickett Co.....	W 63-49
Sectional	
Cascade.....	W 64-63



DIVISION I CLASS A BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (BOTTOM BRACKET)

*West Carroll High School
Atwood, TN
Home of the War Eagles*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
00	Colton Hart	G	5-10	Sr.
1	Luke Moore	G	6-00	Sr.
2	Jaquan Adkins	G	5-08	So.
3	Jalen Anglin	G	6-03	Jr.
4	Dallas Montgomery	G	5-07	Sr.
5	Tyler Johnson	G	6-00	Sr.
11	Will Murray	G	5-07	Fr.
14	Jed Robinson	F	6-00	Sr.
21	Xander Moon	F	6-00	Jr.
24	Andrew Huff	F	6-03	Jr.
25	Jaden Taylor	F	6-00	So.
31	Jack Barrow	F	6-04	Sr.
33	Will Robinson	F	5-11	Fr.
34	Jacob Pigue	G	6-00	So.
35	Josh Clark	F	6-03	Jr.
42	Riley Duncan	G	5-11	Jr.

HC: Jason Fitch
AC: Bernard Lykes, Ryan Mansfield
School Colors: Maroon, Gray, White
Record: (21-10)

*District 11 Champions
Region 6 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Wayne Co.....	W.....59-37
Summertown.....	W...65-67 (2OT)
Loretto.....	W.....56-41
Sectional	
Jo Byrns.....	W.....71-47

DIVISION I CLASS A BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (BOTTOM BRACKET)

*Cosby High School
Cosby, TN
Home of the Eagles*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
0	Shaydan Odell	W	6-01	So.
1	Slate Shropshire	G	5-11	So.
3	Lucas Johnson	SG	6-03	Sr.
5	Kenneth Workman	F	6-00	Sr.
13	Paxton Coggins	G	6-00	So.
15	Nathan Joyce	F	6-01	So.
21	Logan Cline	F	6-03	Sr.
22	Samuel Shults	G	5-09	Jr.
23	Iverson Poe	G	5-10	So.
24	Hayden Green	PG	5-09	So.
30	Corey Askew	F	6-02	Jr.
31	Cyler Davis	G	5-11	Fr.
33	Riley Galler	C	6-07	Sr.

HC: Kurt Brooks
AC: Cody Brown, Cody Lowe, Jody Lowe, Jordan Self
School Colors: Blue, White
Record: (15-13)

*District 2 Champions
Region 1 Runner-Up*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Unaka.....	W.....79-58
Hampton.....	W.....55-54
North Greene.....	L.....71-68
Sectional	
Harriman.....	W.....57-47

*Memphis Academy of Health Sciences
Memphis, TN
Home of the Lions*

#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
0	Keyonte Young	SG	6-01	Sr.
1	Robert Smith	F	6-03	Sr.
3	Avionne Suttle	G	6-00	Sr.
5	Devin Jackson	G	6-00	Jr.
10	Dylan Woods	F	6-04	Sr.
11	Geoffrey Shaw	G	6-03	Jr.
12	Kendal Ducksworth	F	6-04	Sr.
15	Charles Perkins	C	6-03	Jr.
21	Demetrius Visor	G	5-10	So.
24	Cameron Miller	W	6-03	Jr.



HC: Vernard Watkins
AC: Cedric Miller, John Scruggs, Torrance Taylor, Eric Thomas
School Colors: Black, Gold
Record: (14-7)

*District 15 Champions
Region 8 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Memphis Academy of Science & Engineering.....	W.....1-0
Sectional	
Union City.....	W.....43-40

*Pickett Co. High School
Byrdstown, TN
Home of the Bobcats*



#	Name	Height	Class
1	Slayde Copeland	6-03	Sr.
2	John Zachary	5-11	Sr.
3	Will Amonett	5-11	Jr.
4	Cayden Miller	5-09	Fr.
5	Dylan Anderson	5-11	So.
10	Ben Zachary	5-11	Sr.
14	John Parker Reagan	6-01	Sr.
15	Zach Amonett	6-02	Jr.
20	Gage Harris	5-05	Fr.
21	Kaiden Thomas	5-08	Fr.
22	Payne Burton	5-10	So.
23	Caleb Lowhorn	5-11	Jr.
34	Hunter Wattenbarger	6-02	Jr.
35	Heath Wattenbarger	6-03	Fr.

HC: Joseph Amonnet
AC: Lee Amonett, Matt Ferrell, Rhea Webb
School Colors: Black, Gold
Record: (21-8)

*District 6 Runner-Up
Region 3 Runner-Up*

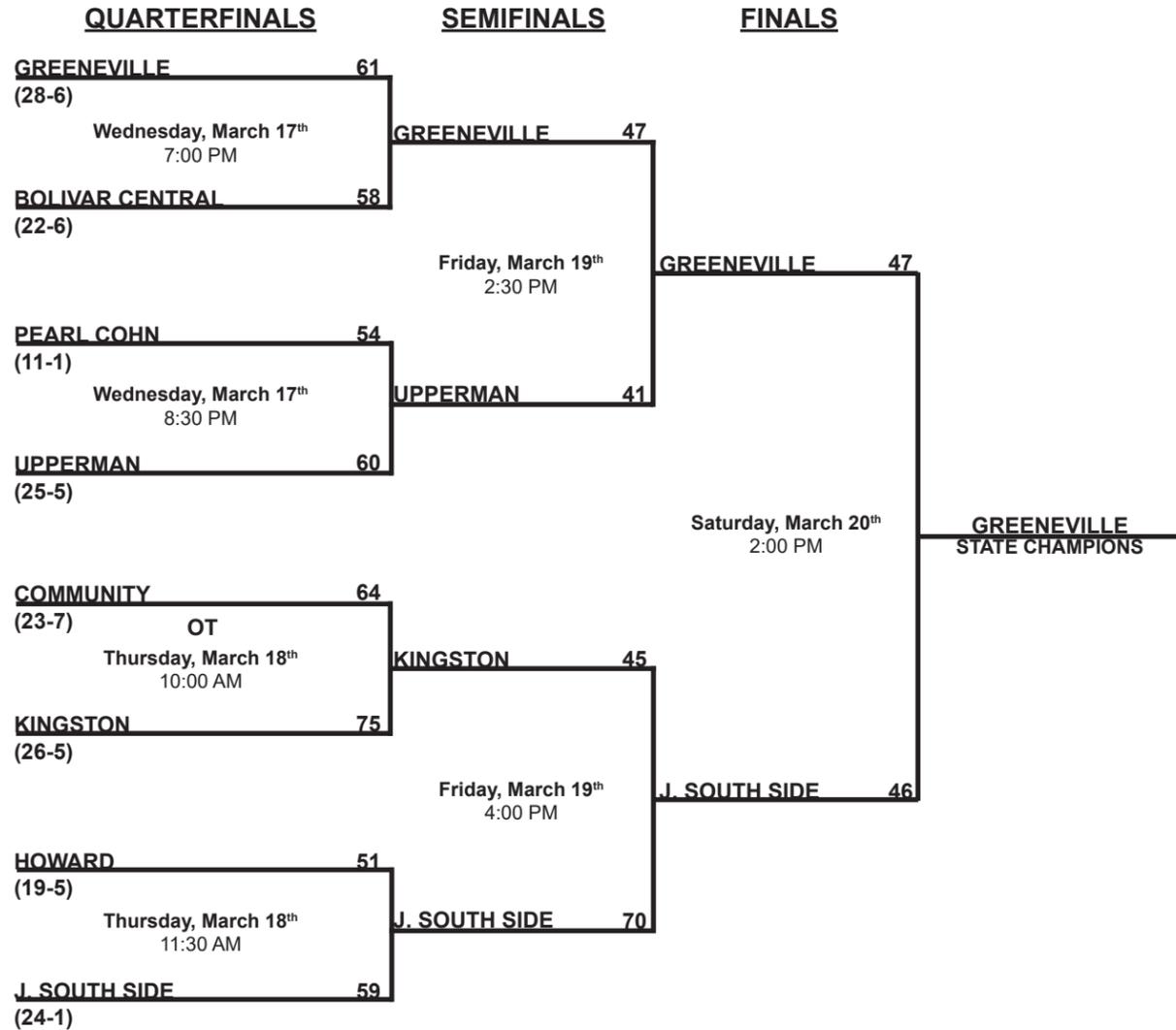
Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Whitwell.....	W.....83-33
Monterey.....	W.....66-63
Clay Co.....	L.....63-49
Sectional	
Moore Co.....	W.....61-40

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1
Bolivar Central High School
Bolivar, TN
Past State Tournament Appearances 10 (2011)
State Championships 3 (2010)
State Tournament Record (12-7)

2
Community High School
Unionville, TN
Past State Tournament Appearances 1 (1994)
State Tournament Record (1-2)

3
Greeneville High School
Greeneville, TN
Past State Tournament Appearances 6 (2020)
State Tournament Record (3-5)

4
Jackson South Side High School
Jackson, TN
Past State Tournament Appearances 6 (2020)
State Runner-Up 2 (2013)
State Championships 1 (2014)
State Tournament Record (7-4)

5
Kingston High School
Kingston, TN
Past State Tournament Appearances 7 (1991)
State Tournament Record (2-7)

6
Pearl Cohn High School
Nashville, TN
Past State Tournament Appearances 4 (2020)
State Tournament Record (2-3)

7
The Howard School
Chattanooga, TN
Past State Tournament Appearances 25 (2019)
State Runner-Up 2 (1980)
State Tournament Record (14-25)

8
Upperman High School
Baxter, TN
Past State Tournament Appearances 6 (2020)
State Tournament Record (1-5)

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DIVISION I CLASS AA BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (TOP BRACKET)

*Greeneville High School
Greeneville, TN
Home of the Greene Devils*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
2	Connor Debusk	G	5-09	Sr.
3	Jakobi Gillespie	G	6-01	Jr.
4	Adjatay Dabbs	G	6-01	So.
5	Reid Satterfield	G	6-03	Jr.
11	Jackson Tillery	G	5-08	Jr.
12	Reid Cannon	G	6-00	Sr.
22	Jayquan Price	G	5-11	So.
23	Terry Grove	F	6-04	Jr.
24	Keelen Lester	F	5-10	Jr.
33	Bradley Wells	F	6-04	Jr.
34	Avery Collins	F	6-02	Sr.
35	Trey Mayes	G	5-11	Sr.

HC: Brad Woolsey
AC: Josh Bennett, Nathan Hale, Joseph Tillery
School Colors: Green, White
Record: (28-6)

*District 2 Champions
Region 1 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Unicoi Co.....	W.....96-51
Elizabethton.....	W.....61-36
Sullivan East.....	W.....79-71 (OT)
Sectional	
Fulton.....	W.....92-67

DIVISION I CLASS AA BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (TOP BRACKET)

*Pearl Cohn High School
Nashville, TN
Home of the Firebirds*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
1	Doyel Corkrill LII	G	6-02	So.
3	Antonio Anthony	G	6-01	Sr.
12	O'Marion Walker	G	5-10	Jr.
14	Dewain Trotter	G	5-09	Sr.
20	Ja'van Lynn	G	5-07	Jr.
21	Jalen Qualls	G	6-02	Sr.
24	Douglas Hooten	F	6-03	Sr.
30	Jack Wade	F	6-04	Jr.
32	Jaylan Harvey	F	6-03	So.
34	Caleb Davis	F	6-03	Fr.
40	Seth Thorpe	G	5-07	Jr.
42	Javorre Sherrell	G	5-07	Jr.

HC: Larrie Smith
AC: Andre Davis, Rico Page
School Colors: Red, White, Black
Record: (11-1)

*District 10 Runner-Up
Region 5 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Harpeth.....	W.....54-36
White House Heritage.....	W.....65-52
East Nashville.....	W.....61-58
Sectional	
Creek Wood.....	W.....65-50

*Bolívar Central High School
Bolívar, TN
Home of the Tigers*

#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
0	Trevorius Henderson	G	6-00	Sr.
2	Cuaron Price	F	5-11	So.
10	Damani Camper	G	5-04	Jr.
12	Andrayvin Stewart	G	6-02	Jr.
13	Toris Woods	F	6-03	Sr.
15	Isaiah Perry	F	6-04	Sr.
20	Jaquan Lax	G	6-02	Sr.
22	Rodrickus Brown	G	5-10	Sr.
24	Jamarion Anderson	G	5-08	So.
25	Kylan Jones	F	6-03	Sr.
30	Tacarion Mitchell	F	6-02	Jr.
32	Dantrez Caldwell	G	6-00	Jr.
34	Robert Pirtle	G	5-10	Jr.
41	Jamarion Pirtle	G	5-07	Jr.
43	Montavious Caldwell	F	6-00	Jr.
45	Donald Hill	F	6-03	So.



HC: Richard Rudesill
AC: Cameron Crisp, William McBroom, Christie Parker, Rashad Smith
School Colors: Kelly Green, Gold
Record: (22-6)

*District 15 Champions
Region 8 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Bye.....	
Haywood.....	W.....82-44
Fayette Ware.....	W.....65-55
Sectional	
Westview.....	W.....51-41

*Upperman High School
Baxter, TN
Home of the Bees*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
0	Jaxson Bush	G	5-09	So.
1	Collin Gore	PG	5-10	Sr.
2	Rexton Davis	G	5-10	Jr.
3	Alexander Nash	G	5-11	So.
4	John Alexander	G	5-10	Sr.
5	Hayden Petty	F	6-03	So.
10	Jaxon Fox	G	5-11	Sr.
11	Kason Grissom	PF	6-04	Sr.
15	Clayton Harris	C	6-01	Fr.
21	Brayden Roberts	G	5-10	Fr.
23	William Hull	G	6-00	So.
24	Braxton Allen	G	6-01	Sr.
32	Alexander Rush	C	6-07	Sr.
34	Benny Harrell	C	6-02	So.
35	Jace McWilliams	F	6-01	Sr.

HC: Bobby McWilliams
AC: Alan Asberry, Stewart Fanning, Brian Johnson
School Colors: Black, Gold
Record: (25-5)

*District 8 Champions
Region 4 Runner-Up*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Sequatchie Co.....	W.....66-30
Livingston Academy.....	W.....50-40
York Institute.....	L.....30-28
Sectional	
Tyner.....	W.....61-50

DIVISION I CLASS AA BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (BOTTOM BRACKET)

*Community High School
Unionville, TN
Home of the Vikings*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
1	Stratton Lovorn	W	6-04	Jr.
2	Trace Broiles	G	5-10	Jr.
3	William Reed	G	6-02	Sr.
4	Jacob Cooper	G	5-10	Sr.
5	Evan Petrie	PF	6-05	Sr.
10	Braxton Thompson	G	5-11	Jr.
11	Maki Fleming	G	6-01	Fr.
12	Corey Paterick	G	5-09	So.
21	Emery Smith	W	6-02	So.
23	Thomas Balley	PF	6-04	Sr.
24	Cole Crockett	PF	6-01	So.
32	Jacob Flannagan	PF	6-02	So.
33	Jacob Harden	W	6-02	So.
34	Noah Newkirk	PF	6-04	So.

HC: Robbie Davis
AC: Tyler Broiles, Darian Pride, Dan Reed, Steve Simmons
School Colors: Purple, Gold
Record: (23-7)

*District 12 Champions
Region 6 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Stewart Co.....	W 57-50 (OT)
Marshall Co.	W 58-48
Creek Wood.....	W 54-49
Sectional	
Sullivan East.....	W 79-65

DIVISION I CLASS AA BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (BOTTOM BRACKET)

*The Howard School
Chattanooga, TN
Home of the Hustlin Tigers*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
1	Mark Greer	PG	6-00	Jr.
2	Jaylen Taylor	SG	5-09	Fr.
3	Jacobi Dixon	G	5-10	Sr.
4	Jadon Jenkins	G		Jr.
5	Kerrick Thorne	F	6-06	Sr.
10	Demetrius Bowens	SG	6-01	Sr.
11	Xavier Fisher	PG	6-00	Jr.
14	Norman Freeman	F	6-00	Jr.
21	Christopher Hall	PF	6-04	Sr.
23	Christian Holland	G	5-10	So.
32	Daveon Dupree	F	6-02	So.
40	Najee Laboo	PF	6-03	So.

HC: James Talley
AC: Quincy Jones, Darius Ricks, Marcus Thomas, David Vacheresse
School Colors: Crimson, Gold
Record: (19-5)

*District 6 Runner-Up
Region 3 Runner-Up*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Sweetwater.....	W 91-70
Loudon.....	W 71-62
Tyner.....	L 53-49
Sectional	
York Institute.....	W 56-55

*Kingston High School
Kingston, TN
Home of the Yellowjackets*

#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
00	Wyatt Heidle	C	6-30	Sr.
1	Nathan McNelley	G	6-02	Sr.
2	Brady Luttrell	G	5-11	Sr.
3	Wesley Morgan	G	5-10	Jr.
4	Colby Raymer	G	6-00	Jr.
10	Will Moore	G	6-01	Sr.
20	Carson Donathan	G	5-10	Jr.
22	Harper Neal	G	6-02	Sr.
23	Landon Diggs	C	6-00	Sr.
24	Bryson Boles	F	6-01	Sr.
30	Zane Ryans	F	6-03	Sr.
32	Jayden Dryman	G	5-09	So.



HC: Colt Narramore
AC: Tyler Brown, Zachary Eason
School Colors: Navy, Orange
Record: (26-5)

*District 4 Champions
Region 2 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Northview Academy.....	W 85-59
Scott.....	W 79-77 (3OT)
Fulton.....	W 64-59
Sectional	
Sullivan East.....	W 79-65

*Jackson South Side High School
Jackson, TN
Home of the Hawks*



#	Name	Class
1	Ericko Sain II	Jr.
2	Jailen Anderson	Sr.
3	Micheal Ward	Jr.
4	Bryson Baker	Jr.
10/22	Cam'ron Anderson	Jr.
11	Brandon Maclin	Sr.
12	Jaylan Cole	Jr.
20	Hollis Hampton	Jr.
21	Bryson Collier	Jr.
24	Colin England	Jr.
25	Jeremiah Smith	Jr.
30	Davon Peterson	Fr.
32	Kortlynn Martin	Jr.
33	Travis Hartshaw Jr.	Sr.
35	Quintin Butler	Jr.

HC: Damonn Fuller
AC: Sam Greer, Brent Mcneal, Kendall Walker, Jeremy Weddle
School Colors: Black, White
Record: (24-1)

*District 14 Champions
Region 7 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Obion Co.	W 42-30
Dyersburg.....	W 57-40
Westview.....	W 68-45
Sectional	
Fayette Ware.....	W 65-43

DIVISION I CLASS AAA BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (TOP BRACKET)

*Cleveland High School
Cleveland, TN
Home of the Blue Raiders*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
1	Michael Dale	G	6-02	Sr.
3	Jasen Brooks	G	6-00	So.
4	Judah Sault	F	6-04	So.
5	Keion Reid	G	6-02	Sr.
11	Grant Hurst	G	6-02	Sr.
12	Rodney Broadnax	F	6-04	So.
14	Drew Lambert	G	6-00	So.
15	Camden Gober	G	5-09	So.
21	Tate O'Bryan	G	6-03	Jr.
22	Alex Hyder	F	6-02	So.
23	Kley McGowan	F	6-03	Sr.

HC: Reggie Tucker
AC: Chuck Condo, Keith Elliot
School Colors: Blue, White, Red
Record: (22-6)

*District 5 Champions
Region 3 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Cookeville.....	W.....54-55
White Co.....	W.....68-53
Warren Co.....	W.....73-44
Sectional	
Blackman.....	W.....46-43

DIVISION I CLASS AAA BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (TOP BRACKET)

*Cane Ridge High School
Antioch, TN
Home of the Ravens*



#	Name	Pos.	Class
1	Clarence Cobbins	G	Jr.
2	Mareo Franklin	G	Fr.
3	Da'ron Hall	W	Fr.
4	Caleb Wilson	G	Sr.
10	Ryan Oliver	W	Jr.
14	Chris Hillsman	G	Sr.
23	Ja'lynn Lawrence	W	Jr.
24	Brandon Miller	W	Jr.
32	Kelvin Lusk	W	So.
33	Nijal Turner	F	Sr.

HC: Marlin Simms
AC: George Brown, Lish Burgess, Marcus Kinzer, Michael Tribue
School Colors: Purple, Black, Silver
Record: (13-0)

*District 12 Champions
Region 6 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Page.....	W.....76-56
Ravenwood.....	W.....76-46
Franklin.....	W.....75-71
Sectional	
Beech.....	W.....67-58

*Collierville High School
Collierville, TN
Home of the Dragons*

#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
0	Antonio Bates	G	6-02	Sr.
1	Terrian McNeal	G	6-00	So.
2	Jordan Coleman	G	6-00	Sr.
3/13	Davon Barnes	F	6-05	Sr.
4	Jordan Jenkins	G	6-00	Sr.
5	Danny Perry	G	6-00	Sr.
10	Madison Taylor	G	6-00	Jr.
12	Alec Tipton	F	6-00	Jr.
15	Joshua Dawson	F	6-05	Jr.
20	Chris Sims	G	6-00	Jr.
21	Ethan Hassler	F	6-04	Sr.
22	Jack Cantrell	F	6-07	Fr.
25	Cooper McRae	F	6-04	So.
33	Alex Vandenberg	F	6-04	So.
55	Noah Upchurch	C	6-05	Sr.



HC: Scott Robinson
School Colors: Maroon, White
Record: (21-11)

*District 15 Runner-Up
Region 8 Runner-Up*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Houston.....	L.....67-55
Sectional	
Arlington.....	W.....55-51

*Bearden High School
Knoxville, TN
Home of the Bulldogs*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
0	Elijah Bredwood	G	6-01	Jr.
1	Austin Pruitt	G	6-01	Sr.
2	Wyatt Shomaker	G	5-08	Jr.
3	Jon Attanasio	W	6-01	Sr.
5	Izaiha Bredwood	G	5-07	Sr.
10	Jake Poole	G	6-01	So.
12	Hayden Treadwell	F	6-06	Sr.
13	Tyree Gibson	G	5-08	Jr.
23	Hayden Moseley	W	6-04	Jr.
24	Drew Brillhart	F	6-03	Fr.
31	Sam Tummins	G	6-02	Fr.
33/35	Nelson Karnowski	G	5-11	So.
35/33	Walker Kyle	F	6-05	Jr.
44	Connor Ruth	F	6-03	Fr.

HC: Jeremy Parrott
AC: Darren Higgins, Tyler Place, Eric Sandefur, Luke West
School Colors: Maroon, Gray
Record: (30-3)

*District 4 Champions
Region 2 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Karns.....	W.....71-34
Clinton.....	W.....67-40
Oak Ridge.....	W.....55-52
Sectional	
Jefferson Co.....	W.....63-38

DIVISION I CLASS AAA BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (BOTTOM BRACKET)

*Oak Ridge High School
Oak Ridge, TN
Home of the Wildcats*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
1	Stafford Shanklin	G	6-04	Sr.
2	Johnathan Stewart	G	6-02	Sr.
3	Kell Slater	G	5-11	Jr.
4	Nick Dallas	G	6-02	Sr.
5	Flip Thompson	G	5-10	Jr.
10	Jamison Uptgraft	G	6-00	Jr.
11	Cadon Uptgraft	G	6-00	Jr.
15	Lucas Searcy	G	6-04	Jr.
21	Jonathan Milloway	C	6-08	Sr.
23	Jeremy Miller	G	6-04	Sr.
35	Darren Osborne, Jr.	F	6-03	Jr.

HC: Aaron Green
AC: Tyler Cate, Danny Green, Christian Mitchell, Ronnie Scott
School Colors: Cardinal, Gray
Record: (27-5)

*District 3 Champions
Region 2 Runner-Up*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Knoxville West.....	W.....78-61
Maryville.....	W.....64-49
Bearden.....	L.....55-52
Sectional	
Dobyns Bennett.....	W.....65-61

DIVISION I CLASS AAA BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAMS (BOTTOM BRACKET)

*Clarksville High School
Clarksville, TN
Home of the Wildcats*



#	Name	Height	Class
1	Jaheim McDonald	6-04	Sr.
2	Javon Martin	5-10	Sr.
3	JJ Wheat	6-00	Jr.
10	Arnett Hines	6-02	Jr.
11	Jahiem Berry	5-11	Jr.
12	Joseph Schreiber-Rivera	6-01	Jr.
14	Chris Bagatini	6-04	Jr.
15	Charles Freeman	6-05	Sr.
20	Nakar Nyonna	5-11	Sr.
23	Wesley Booth	5-10	Sr.

HC: Ted Young
AC: Jay Bailey, Mike Head, Charles Holt
School Colors: Purple, Gold
Record: (20-5)

*District 10 Third Place
Region 5 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Green Hill.....	W.....58-52
Northeast.....	W.....57-51
Beech.....	W.....70-60
Sectional	
Franklin.....	W.....59-53

*Siegel High School
Murfreesboro, TN
Home of the Stars*

#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
0	Zion Swader	PG	6-00	Sr.
1	Isiah Lightys	G	6-02	Sr.
2	Eveontae Woods	F	6-02	Jr.
3	Jaylan Wetzel	G	6-01	Sr.
4	Vonterius Reed	F	6-00	Sr.
5	Brayden Shockey	G	5-11	So.
10	Thomas Santel	F	5-11	Fr.
11	Martise Jackson	F	6-02	Sr.
14	Matthew Schneider	F	6-05	Sr.
23	JJ Thompson	F	6-01	Fr.
32	Nate Bowman	F	6-01	Fr.
33	Mac Moss	G	5-10	Fr.
35	Michael Patterson	F	6-05	Sr.



HC: Dyron Birdwell
AC: Eric Bonner, Jared Nave, Matt Rigsby
School Colors: Navy, Teal, Silver
Record: (27-4)

*District 7 Runner-Up
Region 4 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Lincoln Co.....	W.....77-42
Stewarts Creek.....	W.....75-51
Blackman.....	W.....45-36
Sectional	
Warren Co.....	W.....72-58

*Houston High School
Germantown, TN
Home of the Mustangs*



#	Name	Pos.	Height	Class
0	Ahmad Nowell	PG	6-02	Fr.
1	Jordan Campbell	PG	5-10	Sr.
2	Jaiden McCranie	G	6-00	Sr.
3	Sam Franklin	G	5-08	Sr.
4	Jake Messer	F	6-02	Sr.
5	Johnathan Lawson	G	6-08	Sr.
10	Brock Vice	C	6-10	So.
11	Cal Greene	F	6-07	Sr.
13	Mason Miller	F	6-09	Sr.
14	Mavrick Miller	G	6-03	So.
20	Antonio Madlock	PG	6-04	Sr.
21	Zander Yates	F	6-08	Sr.
23	Jerrell Colbert	F	6-10	Sr.
25	Matthew Stokes	C	6-07	So.
35	Gray Nischwitz	F	6-01	Sr.
55	Kameron Clark	G	6-05	So.

HC: Michael Miller
AC: Erik Buggs, Kurt Couvian, Randy Forrester, Ernie Kuyper
School Colors: Black, Silver
Record: (18-3)

*District 15 Champions
Region 8 Champions*

Road to the State Tournament	
Region Tournament	
Collierville.....	W.....67-55
Sectional	
Bartlett.....	W.....63-54

TSSAA BOYS BASKETBALL RECORDS

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TEAM RECORDS - SINGLE GAME

- Most Points**
110 - Haywood Co. (vs. J. South Side), 2003
- Most Points Both Teams**
211 - Haywood Co. (110) vs. J. South Side (101), 2003
- Most Points One Half**
73 - J. Side (vs. Haywood Co.), 2003
- Most Points One Quarter**
39 - Science Hill vs. Obion Co., 1991
- Biggest Margin of Victory**
55 - Clarksville Northeast (85) vs. Dobyns Bennett (30), 2010
- Most Field Goals Attempted**
103 - Meigs Co. (vs. South Fulton), 1962
- Most Field Goals Made**
43 - Hamilton (vs. Chatt. Brainerd), 1979
- Best Field Goal Percentage**
78.6 - Father Ryan (vs. Univ. Sch. of Nash.), 1999 (22-28)
- Most Free Throws Attempted**
59 - Montgomery Bell Academy (vs. Ensworth), 2010
- Most Consecutive Free Throws Made**
20 - Pickett Co. (vs. Moore Co.), 1992
- Most Free Throws Made**
39 - Kenton (vs. Knox. Fulton), 1957
- Best Free Throw Percentage**
92.8 - Christian Brothers (vs. Baylor), 1998 (13-14)
- Most Rebounds**
78 - J. Central-Merry (vs. Gleason), 1969
78 - Meigs Co. (vs. South Fulton), 1962
- Most Offensive Rebounds**
29 - Raleigh Egypt (vs. Bolivar), 2004
29 - Austin East (vs. Harriman), 1995
- Most Defensive Rebounds**
41 - Loretto (vs. Douglass), 2018
- Most Overtimes**
6 - Knox. East (46) vs. Hampton (44), 1962
- Most Three-Point Field Goals Attempted**
48 - Obion Co. (vs. Gallatin), 1991
- Most Three-Point Field Goals Made**
16 - Chatt. Christian (vs. Battle Ground Aca.), 1994
- Best Three-Point Field Goal Percentage**
85.7 - M.L. King (vs. Middleton), 1991 (6-7)
- Most Three-Point Field Goals Attempted - Both Teams**
66 - Cosby (32) vs. Chatt. Christian (34), 1999
- Most Three-Point Field Goals Made - Both Teams**
24 - Cosby (14) vs. Chatt. Christian (10), 1999
- Most Assists**
25 - Goodpasture (vs. Alamo), 1978
- Most Steals**
26 - Kingsbury (vs. Bolivar), 1998
- Least Turnovers**
3 - Memp. Northside (vs. Brainerd), 1988
3 - Memp. East (vs. Harriman), 1979
- Most Blocked Shots**
12 - Middleton (vs. M.L. King), 1991
12 - Bolivar Central (vs. Sullivan Central), 2005

TEAM RECORDS - TOURNAMENT

- Most Points**
288 - East Robertson, 1988
- Most Field Goals Attempted**
250 - Bolton, 1975
- Most Field Goals Made**
110 - East Robertson, 1988
- Best Field Goal Percentage**
62.5 - Unaka, 2004 (60-96)
- Most Free Throws Attempted**
113 - Montgomery Bell Aca., 1998
- Most Free Throws Made**
95 - Perry Co., 1995
- Best Free Throw Percentage**
84.4 - Memp. East, 1996 (49-58)
- Least Points Allowed**
107 - Happy Valley, 1974
- Most Rebounds**
178 - Collierville, 1973
- Most Offensive Rebounds**
65 - Austin East, 1999
- Most Defensive Rebounds**
87 - Columbia Academy, 1997
87 - Cosby, 1999
- Most Three-Point Field Goals Attempted**
102 - Cosby, 1999
- Most Three-Point Field Goals Made**
34 - B. T. Washington, 2001
- Best Three-Point Field Goal Percentage**
64.2 - M.L. King, 9 of 14, 1991
- Most Assists**
61 - East Robertson, 1989
- Most Steals**
52 - Kingsbury, 1998
- Least Turnovers**
17 - Giles Co., 1994
- Most Blocked Shots**
22 - Treadwell, 1989

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INDIVIDUAL - SINGLE GAME

- Most Points (TOP 5)**
54 - Tyreke Key (Clay Co.) vs. Loretto, 2017
50 - Trey Pearson (South Fulton) vs. Ezell-Harding, 2001
48 - Kenyan Torry (Mitchell) vs. Howard, 2008
48 - Mike Rhodes (Perry Co.) vs. Knox. Catholic, 1977
47 - Buddy Cruze (Knoxville East) vs. Oliver Springs, 1952
46 - Mike Rhodes (Perry Co.) vs. Bolton, 1977
- Most Points in One Half**
35 - Mike Rhodes (Perry Co.) vs. Knox. Catholic, 1977
- Most Points in One Quarter**
23 - Tyreke Key (Clay Co.) vs. Loretto, 2017
23 - Trey Pearson, South Fulton (vs. Ezell Harding), 2001
- Most Field Goals Attempted**
40 - Cannon Whitby (Obion Co.) vs. Austin East, 1986
- Most Field Goals Made**
19 - Rodney Arnold (Lynn View) vs. Tredwell, 1977
19 - Bob Brown (Notre Dame) vs. Trenton, 1973
19 - Buddy Cruze (Knox. East) vs. Oliver Springs, 1952
19 - David Vaughn, Jr. (Nash. Cameron) vs. Melrose, 1971
- Best Field Goal Percentage**
100 - Tim Shoaf (Goodpasture) vs. Alamo, 1978 (12-12)
- Most Consecutive Field Goals Made**
13 - Carlus Groves (E. Robertson) vs. Oliver Springs, 1989
- Most Free Throws Attempted**
26 - Buddy Viniard (Kenton) vs. Knox. Fulton, 1957
- Most Free Throws Made**
21 - Buddy Viniard (Kenton) vs. Knox. Fulton, 1957
21 - Chris Wooten (Austin East) vs. Maplewood, 1982
- Best Free Throw Percentage (minimum 10 attempts)**
100 - Joseph Amonett (Pickett Co.) vs. Perry Co., 1995 (18-18)
100 - Troy Yaden (Oneida) vs. Perry Co., 1994 (13-13)
- Most Consecutive Free Throws Made (15 or more)**
18 - Joseph Amonett (Pickett Co.) vs. Perry Co., 1995
- Most Rebounds**
30 - Manley Fuller (J. Central-Merry) vs. Gleason, 1969
30 - Larry Mansfield (Frayser) vs. Hampton, 1966
- Most Offensive Rebounds**
13 - Eugene Talley (Howard) vs. B. T. Washington, 2001
- Most Defensive Rebounds**
17 - Stanley Caldwell (Union City) vs. Kingsbury, 1992
- Most Three-Point Field Goals Attempted**
23 - Josh Webb (Cosby) vs. Moore Co., 1999
- Most Three-Point Field Goals Made**
11 - Taurean Moy, (B. T. Washington) vs. Howard, 2001
- Best Three-Point Field Goal Percentage (minimum four made)**
100 - Carson Cary (Columbia Academy) vs. Humboldt, 2019 (4-4)
100 - Joey Mitchell (N. Martin Luther King) vs. Middleton, 1991 (4-4)
- Most Consecutive Three-Point Field Goals Made**
6 - Seth Massey (Adamsville) vs. Summertown, 1994
- Most Assists**
17 - Tyrone Dodson (East Robertson) vs. Oliver Springs, 1989
- Most Steals**
9 - Tysen Banks (Tipton-Rosemark) vs. The Webb School, 2019
- Most Blocked Shots**
12 - Stevie Hamer (Middleton) vs. Noth Greene, 1992

INDIVIDUAL - TOURNAMENT

- Most Points (TOP 5)**
128 - Tyreke Key (Clay Co.), 2017
122 - Cannon Whitby (Obion Co.), 1986
117 - Mike Rhodes (Perry Co.), 1977
97 - David Woodard (East Robertson), 1992
95 - Dwight Boyd (Mem. Kirby), 1984
- Most Field Goals Attempted**
106 - Cannon Whitby (Obion Co.), 1986
- Most Field Goals Made**
44 - Tyreke Key (Clay Co.), 2017
44 - Cannon Whitby (Obion Co.), 1986
- Most Consecutive Field Goals Made**
20 - Tim Shoaf (Goodpasture), 1977
- Best Field Goal Percentage**
85.7 - Tim Shoaf (Goodpasture), 1977 (24-28)
- Most Free Throws Attempted**
50 - Cannon Whitby (Obion Co.), 1986
- Most Free Throws Made**
41 - Josephy Amonett (Pickett Co.), 1995
- Best Free Throw Percentage**
100 - Luke Smith (Knoxville Catholic), 2017 (11-11)
100 - Varnard Jackson (Mem. East), 1988 (16-16)
100 - Troy Vaden (Oneida) vs. Perry Co., 1994 (13-13)
100 - Joseph Amonett (Pickett Co.) vs. Perry Co., 1995 (18-18)
100 - Rusty Chambers (Unaka), 2004 (12-12)
- Most Consecutive Free Throws**
19 - Joseph Amonett (Pickett Co.) 18 vs. Perry Co., 1 vs. Powell Valley, 1995
- Most Rebounds**
56 - Stanley Caldwell (Union City), 1992
- Most Offensive Rebounds**
19 - Travis Mull (Kingsbury), 1998
19 - Julian Terrell (Ezell Harding), 2001
- Most Defensive Rebounds**
40 - Levi Woods (Meigs Co.), 2014
- Most Three-Point Field Goals Attempted**
58 - Josh Webb (Cosby), 1999
- Most Three-Point Field Goals Made**
19 - Tarean Moy (B. T. Washington), 2001
- Best Three-Point Field Goal Percentage**
76.9 - Carson Cary (Columbia Academy), 2019 (10-13)
- Most Assists**
30 - Ricky Jones (Middleton), 1992
- Most Steals**
18 - Zay Coleman (Lake Co.), 2013
- Most Blocked Shots**
19 - Robert McRae (Memp. Northside), 1988



TSSAA BOYS BASKETBALL RECORDS

MVP'S

Division I, Class AAA

Year	Player, School
2019	Ques Golver, Bearden
2018	Alex Lomax, Memphis East
2017	Chandler Lawson, Memphis East
2016	Alex Lomax, Memphis East
2015	KJ Lawson, Hamilton
2014	Jauan Jennings, Blackman
2013	Jajuan Johnson, Southwind
2012	Nick King, Memphis East
2011	Samuel Craft, Craigmont
2010	Chris Jones, Melrose
2009	Joe Jackson, White Station
2008	Sampson Carter, Ridgeway
2007	Jordan Damron, Maryville
2006	Joseph Watkins, Hamilton
2005	Pierre Niles, Ridgeway
2004	Riley Ervin, White Station
2003	Dane Bradshaw, White Station
2002	Melvin Wilkes, White Station
2001	Jonathan Loe, Bartlett
2000	Earnest Shelton, White Station
1999	Kyle Gribble, White Co.
1998	Brent Jolly, White Co.
1997	Vincent Yarbrough, Cleveland
1996	Tony Harris, Memp. East
1995	Nathaniel Bailey, Science Hill
1994	Jovan Johnson, Johnson City
1993	Vincent Rainey, Fairley
1992	Roni Bailey, Columbia
1991	Marcus Nolan, Hamilton
1990	Orville Whittington, Science Hill
1989	Kevin Anglin, Franklin
1988	Malcolm Mackey, Brainerd
1987	David Midlick, Christian Brothers
1986	Cheyenne Gibson, Westwood
1985	Ron Huery, Whitehaven
1984	Norris Chesterfield, Oakland
1983	John Wilfong, Briarcrest
1982	Rob Jones, Austin-East
1981	David Smith, Nash. Pearl
1980	Edgar Johnson, Memp. Northside
1979	Anthony Love, Memp. Northside
1978	James Campbell, Melrose
1977	Elston Turner, Austin-East
1976	Charles Davis, McGavock

Division I, Class AA

Year	Player, School
2019	Chandler Lawson, Wooddale
2018	Martrell Brooks, Hamilton
2017	Bo Hodges, Maplewood
2016	Ron Davis, III, Fulton
2015	Jordan Varnado, Haywood
2014	Malik Hicks, Jackoson South Side
2013	Jalen Lindsey, Christ Presbyterian Aca.
2012	Craig Bradshaw, Christ Presbyterian Aca.
2011	Kendall Anthony, Liberty
2010	Jay Murphy, Bolivar Central
2009	Jalen Steele, Fulton
2008	Dominic Minor, Fulton
2007	Josh Sain, Liberty
2006	Jewan Long, Liberty
2005	Willie Kemp, Bolivar Central
2004	Brian Lake, Bolivar Central
2003	Tyler Smith, Giles Co.
2002	Derrick Byars, Ridgeway
2001	Andre Allen, B. T. Washington
2000	Donzel Crenshaw, Ridgeway
1999	Qyntel Woods, Memp. Carver
1998	Brian Kizzie, Kingsbury
1997	Marcus Williams, Union City
1996	Niki Arinze, Martin Luther King
1995	Jeremaine Copeland, Harriman
1994	Aaron Green, Sweetwater
1993	Oliver Simmons, David Lipscomb
1992	Stanley Caldwell, Union City
1991	Al Allen, Brentwood Aca.
1990	Stanley Caldwell, Union City
1989	Lang Wiseman, Bolton
1988	Anthony Douglass, Memp. East
1987	Bethel Hendrick, Austin-East
1986	Charles "Cannon" Whitby, Obion Co.
1985	Leroy Thompson, Austin-East
1984	Dwight Boyd, Kirby
1983	Tony Hobson, Memp. East
1982	Tony Hobson, Memp. East
1981	Cookie Smith, Humboldt
1980	Booker Johnson, Trezevant
1979	Joseph Smith, Memp. East
1978	Chris Harris, Knox. Holston
1977	Robby Randolph, Treadwell
1976	Rodney Campbell, Lexington

Division I, Class A

Year	Player, School
2019	Carsy Cary, Columbia Academy
2018	Ryan Weathers, Loretto
2017	Tyreke Key, Clay Co.
2016	Tevin Olison, Mitchell
2015	Jeremiah Martin, Mitchell
2014	Naba Echols, Mitchell
2013	Stephon Turner, Humboldt
2012	Mark Sandoval, Friendship Christian
2011	Rafael Tyler, Lake Co.
2010	Malcom Smith, Clarksville Academy
2009	Marcus Hollaway, Manassas
2008	MJ Brown, Union City
2007	Seth Skoten, Tennessee Temple
2006	Marquis Weddle, Union City
2005	Marq Murden, Middleton
2004	Tyler McCann, Unaka
2003	Jake Skogen, Temple
2002	Jake Skogen, Temple
2001	Jason Holwerda, Chatt. Christian
2000	Trey Pearson, South Fulton
1999	Heath Hardin, Moore Co.
1998	Gerrod Shirey, Ezell Harding
1997	Kirk Haston, Perry Co.
1996	Kirk Haston, Perry Co.
1995	Joseph Amonett, Pickett Co.
1994	Seth Pettus, Battle Ground Aca.
1993	Brandon Wood, Battle Ground Aca.
1992	David Woodard, East Robertson
1991	Joey Mitchell, Martin Luther King
1990	Eric Mitchell, Pickett Co.
1989	Carlus Groves, East Robertson
1988	Carlus Groves, East Robertson
1987	Fitz Jones, East Robertson
1986	Sylvester Gray, Bolton
1985	Sylvester Gray, Bolton
1984	Jeff Crouse, Greenfield
1983	Leon Tolley, Hampton
1982	Calvin Fields, Friendship
1981	Darrell Brown, Bolton
1980	Bobby Parks, Middleton
1979	Cecil Dowell, Bolton
1978	Otis Jackson, Bolton
1977	Mike Rhodes, Perry Co.
1976	Mike Rhodes, Perry Co.

Division II, Class AA

Year	Player, School
2020	B.J. Edwards, Knoxville Catholic
2019	Kennedy Chandler, Briarcrest
2018	Darius Garland, Brentwood Academy
2017	Darius Garland, Brentwood Academy
2016	Jeremiah Oatsvall, Brentwood Academy
2015	Jeremiah Oatsvall, Brentwood Academy
2014	Andrew Fleming, Ensworth
2013	Corn Elder, Ensworth
2012	Corn Elder, Ensworth
2011	Corn Elder, Ensworth
2010	Holden Mobley, Montgomery Bell Academy
2009	Tavarres Jefferson, Ensworth
2008	Elgin Lee, Briarcrest

Division II, Class A

Year	Player, School
2020	Moussa Cisse, Lausanne
2019	Uriah Powers, Knoxville Webb
2018	Grant Ledford, Knoxville Grace
2017	Schlyer Forrest, Lausanne
2016	Anthony Yarbrough, Harding Academy
2015	Chase Hayden, St. George's
2014	Nathan Moran, Battle Ground Academy
2013	Cameron Payne, Lausanne
2012	Josh Erickson, Donelson Christian Academy
2011	Steven Kaspar, Evangelical Christian Sch.
2010	Asa Toney, St. George's
2009	Keilan Stittiams, Harding Academy
2008	Marlon Brown, Harding Academy

Division II

Year	Player, School
2007	Elliott Cole, Memphis Univ. Sch.
2006	Brandon Wright, Brentwood Aca.
2005	Brandon Wright, Brentwood Aca.
2004	Brandon Wright, Brentwood Aca.
2003	Brandon Wright, Brentwood Aca.
2002	Billy May, Father Ryan
2001	Moses Osemwegie, Montgomery Bell Aca.
2000	Barton Simmons, Montgomery Bell Aca.
1999	Jonathon Jarrett, Father Ryan
1998	Omari Booker, Montgomery Bell Aca.

Large

Year	Player, School
1975	Larry Spicer, Memp. Northside
1974	John Gunn, Melrose
1973	Skip Brown, Dobyns-Bennett

Small

Year	Player, School
1975	Quinten Smith, Bolton
1974	Marty Street, Happy Valley
1973	Eddie Fields, Collierville

No Classification

Year	Player, School
1972	Anthony Roberts, Chatt. Riverside
1971	David Vaughn, Jr., Cameron
1970	David Vaughn, Jr., Cameron
1969	Richard Fuqua, Chatt. Riverside
1968	James Hairston, Science Hill
1967	Jimmy England, Knox. Holston
1966	Randy Pool, Oak Ridge
1965	Charles Jordan, Murf. Central
1964	No MVP Selected
1963	No MVP Selected

1962	No MVP Selected
1961	No MVP Selected
1960	No MVP Selected
1959	No MVP Selected
1958	Eddie Test, Chatt. Central
1957	Buddy Viniard, Kenton
1956	Albert Ellison, Linden
1955	Albert Ellison, Linden
1954	Stan Johnson, Dobyns-Bennett
1953	Herb Kosten, Memp. Central
1952	Buddy Cruze, Knox. East
1951	Billy Kirkpatrick, Surgoinsville
1950	Monta Clark, Happy Valley
1949	(Co-MVP's) Manuel Garrison, Tennessee; Doug Atkins, Humboldt
1948	Joe Treadway, Happy Valley
1947	Tom Maynor, Soddy Daisy
1946	Billy Joe Adcock, Nash. West
1945	Cecil Puckett, Dobyns-Bennett
1944	Carl Treadway, Elizabethton
1943	George Carden, Chatt. Central
1942	Jack Manis, Bradley Central
1941	Bill Wright, Knox. High
1940	Dee Gibson, Bradley Central
1939	John "Doc" Clark, Knox. High
1938	John "Doc" Clark, Knox. High
1937	George Blakemore
1933-36	- No Tournaments
1924-32	

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MR. BASKETBALL WINNERS

2020 (A)	John McClaran, Eagleville
(AA)	Johnathan Lawson, Wooddale
(AAA)	JaCobi Wood, Cleveland
(DII-A)	Moussa Cisse, Lausanne
(DII-AA)	Kennedy Chandler, Briarcrest
(A)	Ja'darius Harris, Peabody
(AA)	Kadrion Johnson, Marshall Co.
(AAA)	James Wiseman, Memphis East
(DII-A)	Keon Johnson, Webb Bell Buckle
(DII-AA)	Kennedy Chandler, Briarcrest
(A)	Caden Mills, Van Buren Co.
(AA)	Kadrion Johnson, Marshall Co.
(AAA)	Tyler Haris, Cordova
(DII-A)	Keon Johnson, Webb Bell Buckle
(DII-AA)	Darius Garland, Brentwood Aca.
(A)	Tyreke Key, Clay Co.
(AA)	Bo Hodges, Maplewood
(AAA)	Alex Lomax, Memphis East
(DII-A)	Chase Hayden, St. George's
(DII-AA)	Darius Garland, Brentwood Aca.
(A)	Nicholas Hopkins, Fayetteville
(AA)	Bo Hodges, Maplewood
(AAA)	Alex Lomax, Memphis East
(DII-A)	Chase Hayden, St. George's
(DII-AA)	Darius Garland, Brentwood Aca.
(A)	Jeremiah Martin, Mitchell
(AA)	Braxton Blackwell, CPA
(AAA)	Dedric Lawson, Hamilton
(DII-A)	Justin Wertner, St. George's
(DII-AA)	Micah Thomas, Braircrest
(A)	Desonta Bradford, Humboldt
(AA)	Braxton Blackwell, CPA
(AAA)	Leron Blackm, White Station
(DII-A)	Rob Marberry, BGA
(DII-AA)	Andrew Fleming, Ensworth
(A)	Alex Fountain, Wartburg Central
(AA)	Jalen Lindsey, CPA
(AAA)	Nick King, Memphis East
(DII-A)	Cameron Payne, Lausanne
(DII-AA)	Austin Nichols, Briarcrest
(A)	Martavious Newby, BTW
(AA)	Craig Bradshaw, CPA
(AAA)	Alex Poythress, Northeast
(DII-A)	John Ross Glover, USJ
(DII-AA)	Austin Nichols, Briarcrest
(A)	Malcolm Smith, Clarksville Aca.
(AA)	Kedren Johnson, Marshall Co.
(AAA)	Andre Hollins, White Station
(DII-A)	John Ross Glover, USJ
(DII-A)	Conor McDermott, Ensworth

2010 (A)	Malcolm Smith, Clarksville Aca.
(AA)	Jalen Steele, Fulton
(AAA)	Joe Jackson, White Station
(DII-A)	Dwight Tarwater, Knox. Webb
(DII-AA)	Jordan Price, McCallie
(A)	Reginald Buckner, Manassas
(AA)	John Jenkins, Station Camp
(AAA)	Drew Kelly, Centennial
(DII-A)	Bobby Parks, St. George's
(DII-AA)	Leslie McDonald, Briarcrest
(A)	MJ Brown, Union City
(AA)	John Jenkins, Station Camp
(AAA)	Terrico White, Craigmont
(DII-A)	Elliot Williams, St. George's
(DII-AA)	Leslie McDonald, Briarcrest
(A)	M.J. Brown, Union City
(AA)	Jewuan Long, Liberty
(AAA)	Maurice Miller, Raleigh Egypt
(Div. II)	Brandon Brown, Brentwood Aca.
(A)	Marquis Weddle, Union City
(AA)	Willie Kemp, Bolivar Central
(AAA)	Barry Stewart, Shelbyville
(Div. II)	Brandon Wright, Brentwood Aca.
(A)	Nicchaeus Doaks, Peabody
(AA)	Thaddeus Young, Mitchell
(AAA)	J.P. Prince, White Station
(Div. II)	Brandon Wright, Brentwood Aca.
(A)	Jonathan Cook, Chatt. Christian
(AA)	Corey Brewer, Portland
(AAA)	Jamont Gordon, Glenciff
(Div. II)	Brandon Wright, Brentwood Aca.
(A)	Jake Skogen, Tennessee Temple
(AA)	Andre Allen, B.T. Washington
(AAA)	Lee Humphrey, Maryville
(Div. II)	Marc Gasol, Lausanne
(A)	Trey Pearson, South Fulton
(AA)	Andre Allen, B.T. Washington
(AAA)	Demarco Polk, Stratford
(Div. II)	Billy May, Father Ryan
(A)	Jason Holwerda, Chatt. Christian
(AA)	Taureen Moy, B.T. Washington
(AAA)	Earnest Shelton, White Station
(Div. II)	David Harrison, Brentwood Aca.
(A)	Jason Holwerda, Chatt. Christian
(AA)	Cameron Crisp, Bolivar Central
(AAA)	Josh Hare, Bradley Central
(Div. II)	David Harrison, Brentwood Aca.

1999 (A)	Heath Hardin, Moore Co.
(AA)	Terrance Woods, Treadwell
(AAA)	Brent Jolly, White Co.
(Div. II)	Will Howard-Downs, USN
(A)	Adam Sonn, DCA
(AA)	Harris Walker, Brainerd
(AAA)	Vincent Yarbrough, Cleveland
(Div. II)	Will Howard-Downs, USN
(A)	Kirk Haston, Perry Co.
(AA)	Niki Arinze, Martin Luther King
(AAA)	Tony Harris, Memphis East
(A)	Sam Howard, Goodpasture
(AA)	Joey Tuck, Macon Co.
(AAA)	Charles Hathaway, Hillwood
(A)	Joseph Amonett, Pickett Co.
(AA)	Oliver Simmons, D. Lipscomb
(AAA)	Cedrick Wallace, Lawrence Co.
(A)	Ron Mercer, Goodpasture
(AA)	Oliver Simmons, D.Lipscomb
(AAA)	Edgar Perkins, White Station
(A)	David Woodard, East Robertson
(AA)	Ron Mercer, Goodpasture
(AAA)	Sylvester Ford, Fairley
(AAA)	Corrie Johnson, Hardin Co.
(A)	Steve Hamer, Middleton
(AA)	Stanley Caldwell, Union City
(AAA)	Tony Delk, Haywood
(A)	Eugene Parris, Pickett Co.
(AA)	Stanley Caldwell, Union City
(AAA)	David Vaughn, Whites Creek
(A)	Eric Mitchell, Pickett Co.
(AA)	Anfernee Hardaway, Treadwell
(AAA)	David Vaughn, Whites Creek
(A)	Carlus Groves, East Robertson
(AA)	Orlando Lightfoot, Chatt. City
(AAA)	Darryl Miller, Oak Ridge
(A)	Ronald Jones, Dresden
(AA)	Jerry Meyer, David Lipscomb
(AAA)	Todd Day, Hamilton
(A)	Fitz Jones, East Robertson
(AA)	Jerry Meyer, David Lipscomb
(AAA)	DeWayne Garner, Brainerd
(A)	Sylvester Gray, Bolton
(AA)	Charles Whitby, Obion Co.
(AAA)	Ron Huery, Whitehaven

Girls' teams return to state basketball tournament after 2020 disruption

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They're back.

From the COVID-19 pandemic that wrecked the 2020 TSSAA Girls' State Tournament after its quarterfinal rounds while the as-yet-unconquered virus disrupted, halted and forever changed life around the globe.

Back from tornadoes that likewise ravaged the midstate region all the way from west of Nashville east to the Cumberland Plateau last spring.

For Maryville High School's Lady Rebels, back more so as testament to the immense courage of assistant coach Kayla Tillie Rooney, a former standout-player at the school always known for her effervescent attitude.

She's in the fight of her life as she confronts leukemia and finds an entire community, not just coaches and players, rallying at her side.

"We may have been lucky last year because we got to play and know our outcome," said veteran Maryville coach Scott West, whose squad fell in a see-saw battle against Whitehaven last year in the Class AAA quarterfinals. "We knew we had a special team coming back, but when Coach Kayla Rooney was diagnosed with leukemia, it hit all of us pretty hard.

"It makes all the other struggles in life pale in comparison to what Kayla has had to endure. We wanted to get to Murfreesboro and compete for her, to give it our all, as she fights the toughest battle of her life every day."

Twenty-four teams descend this week upon Middle Tennessee State University's 'Glass House,' where some players are preparing to don a uniform for the last time ever. Yet the mere event itself is a victory for every player, coach, parent, referee, scoreboard operator and medical expert who helped an entire state persevere for young people to regain a semblance of normalcy in the form of 32 minutes per game.

"With COVID-19 happening over the last year, our kids were put in tough situations and not just our's but everybody in general. We were told to stay home and not do anything," said Lebanon coach Cory Barrett, whose program is back in Murfreesboro at the state tournament for a third year in a row. "Trying to tell 14- to 17-, 18-year-old kids they can't be around their friends and can't go to Sonic and have a slushie, things like that, you were asking them to take away their high school

experience of being together. It was a promotion for laziness and there was just nothing we could do about that.

"For them to come back and jump back into physical work, into mental preparation, into the weight room, into all the things that encompass what we do as a program and them embrace it and run with it, I think it's just something remarkable."

It's remarkable any year, any level, when individuals coalesce into a team that reaches MTSU's Murphy Center for a 96-hour stretch from Wednesday through Saturday, sneakers squeaking and whistles echoing, with a gold ball as the unified goal.

For Arlington, Clarkrange, Gibson County, Loretto, Macon County, Westview and the aforementioned Lebanon, it's a return to where the world as it was then known traces its expiration.

The disease, as well as mother nature, make this year's event unlike any of its decades of forerunners.

"Well, you know, we were shocked it ended," legendary Clarkrange coach Lamar Rogers, Tennessee's all-time wins leader in girls' basketball, said. "It's just been a long journey, a long trip to make it back."

Like many, Clarkrange's season includes some coronavirus hiccups; this includes a team-wide 10-day quarantine early on in which there were no practices, no interpersonal interactions.

Barrett's program is this week on spring break, after only recently returning to full classrooms and with the discipline and good luck to endure no team-wide – only individual – COVID-19 shutdowns this season.

"It was just something new every day, some other type of stress level," Barrett said. "We tried not to put that on the kids. We just tried to continue to talk to them about being cautious around other people and things like that.

"We only went back to a full schedule a couple weeks ago, going from about 900 kids to a little over 1800. That immediately gave me a lot of anxiety for our team, but we've been able to separate them for lunches, bring them into the gym during that time. Our administration and teachers have been great; we've pleaded with them to try to help us find some way to social-distance our players in a class of 35."

His Lebanon team isn't quite a full year removed from winning its quarterfinals opener and preparing for the semifinals when a team dinner and team breakfast, as well as a couple just-in-case practices, became the lasting images of that 2019-20 season.

"Our team was at Chili's eating dinner," Barrett said. "We didn't tell them; didn't want to say anything for sure. We had worked on our family list that day, we were told it would be immediate family only if the tournament could continue. When it comes across that it's been suspended, postponed at that point, I talked to the team.

"We felt like at that point, no one knew where it was going to go from there, so we came in and met the next morning. Had team breakfast, explained to them where we were."

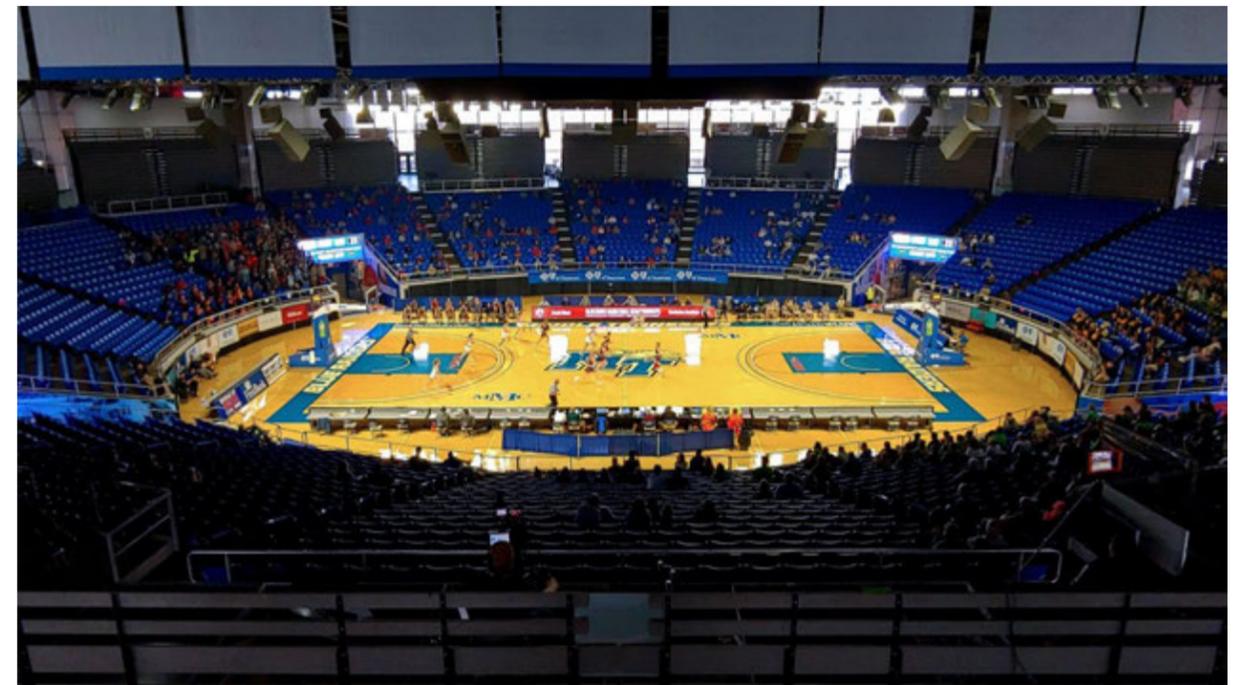
Rogers owns too many wins, too many trips along the nearly 200-mile jaunt from Clarkrange west to MTSU and back, to not already have months of addressing this week with his team.

"I think as long you tell them what is going on and they have some facts, they handle it all right," Rogers said. "You wish everything had been normal but it's not. We've got five seniors, it's affected them a lot. We adjusted homecoming and senior night, and we had those things. Up north, some schools aren't even going at all, which is their decision. But there's a lot of dedication and resiliency in these girls and in young people. They've handled it maybe better than parents."

Mostly, though, Rogers wishes the worst of this deadly disaster is in everyone's rear-view mirrors – especially young people.

"Hopefully, this is the worst thing they have to go through in their life," he said, "and they certainly will remember this year forever. We've lost a lot of people. Everyone probably knows somebody who's passed away, but hopefully this is the worst of it.

"I think everything is looking up."



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"I don't know why I have been so successful in my life's work, but I do know that being able to give back – to help young people get an education, to assist adults who want to go back to school, to allow children to receive excellent medical attention, and now, to have the potential to save 60,000 lives each year through early detection of rectal-colon cancer – this has given me more satisfaction and pure joy than anything else I can imagine doing with my life." – James W. Ayers



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