Boys & Girls Grades 4-9

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\$215/team 3-game guarantee



<u>Championships</u>

Grades 4-7: March 29, 2025 Grades 8-9: March 29-30*, 2025

St. Cloud

Use Link or Scan QR Code Above: <u>https://www.pacesettersports.net/mn-state/</u>

Registration Deadline: Teams are asked to register ASAP

DREAMS DO COME TRUE!

The 2025 Pacesetter Minnesota State Championships will be played in St. Cloud. For grades 4-7, the five region champions will join three wild card selections to play 3 games in an 8-region bracket on Saturday, March 29. For grades 8-9, all Minnesota school/community teams are invited to register directly into the state championship with no limit on teams. For grades 8-9 brackets with 16 or fewer teams, games will be played on Saturday, March 29 only. *For grades 8-9 brackets with more than 16 teams, most games will be played on Saturday with some games on Sunday March 30.

ROAD TO THE TARGET CENTER! GREAT 5-STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS IA - MN - ND - SD - WI



The Minnesota state champion and runner-up in each grade will receive a bid to represent Minnesota in the Pacesetter Great Five-State Championships at the Target Center in Minneapolis this summer.



2025 Pacesetter State and Minnesota Invitational Tournaments

Frequently Asked Questions • Notes by Jeff McCarron, Director

What is the Pacesetter Minnesota Youth Basketball State Tournament?

The Pacesetter Minnesota State Tournament for grades 4-7 will feature the five region champions and three wildcard teams from the five Region Playoff tournaments. All teams that qualify for state will play three games in an 8-team bracket with the top two teams advancing to the Great Five-State Championship at the Target Center in Minneapolis. The State tournaments for grades 8-9 will be open tournaments with all eligible school/ community teams invited to play. Teams should register soon. The field will be open to all teams that register by March 19. Brackets with less than 16 teams will be held on Saturday-only, March 29. Brackets with more than 16 teams will require two days to complete, March 29-30, as some teams could play 5 games.

What is the Pacesetter MIT?

All teams in grades 4-7 that participate in a Region Playoff, except the champions, will be invited to play in the Pacesetter MIT (Minnesota Invitational Tournament) on Sunday, March 30, in St. Cloud. Teams in each MIT bracket will play 3-4 games in a 4-16 team tournament format. Teams will be accepted on a first-come, first served basis. Teams are asked to register by March 19 as the field will be limited to the first 16 teams to register. Teams that register for the regions may also pre-register for the MIT. Only region champions will be restricted from playing in the MIT. Any team that pre-registers for the MIT and wins a region will have their registration transferred to the State tournament.

How do teams register?

To enter, register on the Pacesetter website, use this QR code or contact the office and have the link emailed to you.

Is there a fee to play in State or the MIT?

Yes, all tournaments have expenses, including rent, officiating, staffing, awards, etc., so both the State and MIT tournaments will require a \$215 team fee.

Do we have to fill out a roster and waivers again if we play?

Grades 4-7: No, the online roster and waivers you submitted for the Region will be honored. **Grades 8-9:** Yes, all teams are required to submit their roster and player waiver forms online before their team can be placed in the bracket. ALL teams (grades 4-9) need to bring a paper roster to each tournament.

Can I add players or update my roster?

Yes, to make changes or add eligible players to your roster, email <u>pacesettersportsmbbn@gmail.com</u>. Please provide your team name, grade, gender, players' names, and the school they attend. Be sure to bring your updated paper roster to the tournament.

Are teams separated by class?

Teams are not separated by class.

Are teams seeded?

Teams will be seeded into State and MIT based on their team rating and performance at the region tournament in an attempt to balance the bracket and divide the strongest teams. As the tournament progresses, all teams will be playing teams that have fared the same, whether winning or losing, so the competition becomes more balanced as the day progresses.

Who should I contact with a question?

Please feel free to email either Tracey Haines, office manager, at <u>pacesettersportsmbbn@gmail.com</u> or me at <u>jmac8144@yahoo.com</u> or call us at 320-243-7460 with any thoughts or questions.

Thank you for your cooperation and your efforts to make this tournament system a success.

Jeff McCarron Director