

2001 IHSAA BOYS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

32 regional champs move to semi-state battlegrounds

Six returning teams and six schools that have never traveled this far before will continue their post-season journey at eight sites Saturday (March 17) in the semi-state round of the 91st IHSAA Boys Basketball Tournament. The eight semi-state champions will advance to the state finals March 24 at Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.

Brebeuf (Class 3A) is the only defending state champion left in the field, and Bloomington North (Class 4A runner-up) is the only other 2000 state finalist still alive.

Bloomington North and Brebeuf are joined by Blue River Valley (Class A), Evansville Mater Dei (Class 3A), Harding (Class 2A) and Penn (Class 4A) from the semi-state field of 2000. It's the fourth straight trip for Blue River Valley, who had never won a sectional title prior to 1998. Penn is making its third straight semi-state trek.

The first-time entries are Central Noble, Eastern (Bloomfield) and River Forest in Class 2A, and Hamilton, New Washington, and Park Tudor in Class A. Of those six schools, only Central Noble and New Washington had ever won a sectional title prior to the 2001 tournament. In the first four years of the multiple-class tournament format, 31 schools have won a regional title for the first time and 19 schools won their first sectional crown.

Covington topped Cascade 56-40 to win its first regional title since 1960. Other long regional title droughts were ended by Corydon Central (1961), Attica (1968), Oak Hill (1971), Shenandoah (1981), Benton Central (1983), Hammond Noll (1988) and Lawrence North (1989).

For a complete look at regional highlights, go to:

www.ihsaa.org/b-basketball/01RegionalRecap.htm

Two of the four teams ranked No. 1 in the final Associated Press media polls are still alive. In Class 3A, top-ranked Evansville Mater Dei (24-1) meets No. 7-ranked Sullivan (24-2) in the first game of the Washington Semi-State. Eastern (Bloomfield), the No. 1 team in Class 2A, will be challenged by No. 10-ranked Batesville (19-5) at the Southridge Semi-State. Other first-round games matching ranked teams are:

- Class 4A at Hinkle Fieldhouse, Indianapolis ♦ Bloomington North (No. 2) vs. Lawrence North (No. 6).
- Class A at Kokomo ♦ Park Tudor (No. 5) vs. Blue River Valley (No. 7).
- Class A at Greencastle ♦ Loogootee (No. 2) vs. New Washington (No. 3).

Eastern (Bloomfield) brings the state's longest winning streak ♦ 18 games -- into its game battle with Batesville. Other semi-state teams on a long roll include Bloomington North (16), Sullivan (15), Blue River Valley (14), Muncie Southside (14), Evansville Mater Dei (13) and Hamilton (13).

The only rematch of a 2000-01 regular season game comes at the Lafayette Semi-State where Penn (21-2) will try to avenge a 48-45 loss to East Chicago Central (15-9). That occurred Dec. 29 in the championship game of the Elkhart Central Holiday Tourney.

There are no rematches of first-round games from the 2000 semi-states. But one could occur in the Washington Semi-State championship where Brebeuf grabbed a 66-63 victory over Evansville Mater Dei on its way to the 2000 Class 3A state title.

SEMI-STATE PAIRINGS

Saturday, March 17

Semifinal session begins at 10:30 a.m. except where noted; championship games at 8:05 p.m.

Tickets: \$7 for one session, \$9 for both sessions.

Media Credentials: Contact host school athletic director.

Class 4A

Lafayette Jefferson

(Crawley Center)

Game 1 ♦ Carroll (Fort Wayne) (21-4) vs. McCutcheon (21-2).

Game 2 ♦ Penn (21-2) vs. East Chicago Central (15-9).

Championship -- Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 2.

Lawrence Central

(Hinkle Fieldhouse)

Game 1 -- Bloomington North (22-2) vs. Lawrence North (21-5).

Game 2 -- Bedford North Lawrence (17-7) vs. Pike (23-3).

Championship -- Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 2.

Class 3A

Frankfort

(Case Arena)

Game 1 -- Muncie Southside (20-3) vs. Hammond Noll (18-6).

Game 2 -- Benton Central (20-4) vs. Columbia City (13-10).

Championship -- Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 2.

Washington

(Hatchet House)

Game 1 ♦ Sullivan (24-2) vs. Evansville Mater Dei (24-1).

Game 2 -- Corydon Central (17-6) vs. Brebeuf (15-9).

Championship -- Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 2.

Class 2A

Huntington North

(North Arena)

Game 1 -- River Forest (15-9) vs. Harding (20-5).

Game 2 ♦ Central Noble (18-6) vs. Oak Hill (17-6).

Championship -- Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 2.

Southridge

(Memorial Gymnasium)

Game 1 -- Shenandoah (18-6) vs. Covington (13-11).

Game 2 ♦ Batesville (19-5) vs. Eastern (Bloomfield) (23-1).

Championship -- Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 2.

Class A

Kokomo

(Memorial Gymnasium)

Game 1 -- Blue River Valley (20-4) vs. Park Tudor (19-4).

Game 2 ♦ Kouts (18-5) vs. Hamilton (21-4).

Championship -- Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 2.

Greencastle

(McAnally Center)

Game 1 (11 a.m.) -- New Washington (23-3) vs. Loogootee (19-4).

Game 2 (12:45 p.m.) ♦ Milan (20-4) vs. Attica (18-6).

Championship -- Winner of Game 1 vs. Winner of Game 2.

2001 TOURNAMENT FACTS & FIGURES

FIRST-TIME REGIONAL CHAMPIONS (6)

4A: None.

3A: None.

2A: Central Noble, Eastern (Bloomfield), River Forest.

A: Hamilton, New Washington, Park Tudor.

REGIONAL DROUGHT BREAKERS

(Year of last title)

Covington (1960)

Corydon Central (1961)

Attica (1968)

Oak Hill (1971)

Columbia City (1975)

Shenandoah (1981)

Benton Central (1983)

Hammond Noll (1988)

Lawrence North (1989)

REPEAT REGIONAL CHAMPIONS (6)

4A: Bloomington North, Penn.

3A: Brebeuf, Evansville Mater Dei,

2A: Harding.

A: Blue River Valley,

BEST RECORDS IN THE SEMI-STATE FIELD

Evansville Mater Dei (24-1).

Eastern (Bloomfield) (23-1).

Bloomington North (22-2).

McCutcheon (21-2).

Penn (21-2).

Sullivan (24-2).

UNRANKED TEAMS ALIVE IN THE SEMI-STATE FIELD (14)

(Associated Press media poll)

4A: Bedford North Lawrence, Carroll (Fort Wayne), East Chicago Central.

3A: Brebeuf, Columbia City, Corydon Central, Hammond Noll.

2A: Central Noble, Covington, Oak Hill, River Forest, Shenandoah.

A: Hamilton, Kouts.

2000 STATE FINALISTS ALIVE IN THE SEMI-STATE FIELD (4)

Bloomington North, Class 4A runner-up.

Brebeuf, Class 3A champion.

SMALLEST SCHOOL IN THE SEMI-STATE FIELD

Hamilton ♦ 211 students.

LARGEST SCHOOL IN THE SEMI-STATE FIELD

Penn ♦ 2,772 students.

FORMER STATE CHAMPIONS IN THE SEMI-STATE FIELD (6)

Bedford North Lawrence (1990).

Bloomington North (1997).

Brebeuf (2000, Class 3A).

Lawrence North (1989).

Milan (1954).

Pike (1998, Class 4A).

AGGREGATE SEMI-STATE FIELD RECORDS

4A: Lafayette Jefferson 78-17 (.821); Indianapolis 83-17 (.830).

3A: Frankfort 71-23 (.755); Washington 80-18 (.816).

2A: Huntington North 70-26 (.729); Southridge 73-23 (.760).

A: Kokomo 78-17 (.821); Greencastle 80-17 (.824).

ACTIVE REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP STREAKS

4 ♦ Blue River Valley.

3 ♦ Penn.

2 ♦ Bloomington North, Brebeuf, Evansville Mater Dei, Harding.

REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP LEADERS

(Year of last title)

32 -- Kokomo (1997), Marion (2000).

29 -- Muncie Central (1994).

27 -- Lafayette Jefferson (1996).

26 -- Anderson (1996).

25 -- Logansport (1974).

22 ♦ Muncie Central (1994).

19 -- Richmond (1992).

18 -- Evansville Central (1992).

17 -- Connersville (1989), New Castle (2000), Rushville (1979), Washington (1983).

16 -- Bedford (1974), Columbus North/Columbus (1993), Elkhart Central/Elkhart (1999),

15 -- Jeffersonville (2000), New Albany (1997).

2001 TOURNAMENT SCORING BESTS

As reported to the IHSAA

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Jake Parker, Portage vs. South Bend Washington, March 10.

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Levi Carmichael, Eastern (Bloomfield) vs. North Knox, March 10.

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David Logan, North Central (Indianapolis) vs. Noblesville, March 6.

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Otis Shannon, Indianapolis Cathedral vs. Beech Grove, March 9.

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Dennis Coutee, Jeffersonville vs. Floyd Central, March 6.

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Austin Brooks, Evansville Day vs. New Harmony, March 6.

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Brett Koebecke, Rensselaer vs. North White, March 6.

Evan Seacat, Paoli vs. Crawford County, March 9.

Anthony Winchester, Austin vs. Silver Creek, March 9.

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Sean May, Bloomington North vs. Center Grove, March 9.

Blake Schoen, Benton Central vs. Whitko, March 14.

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Tyson Parker, Central Noble vs. Churubusco, March 6.

Jeremy Peckinpaugh, Shenandoah vs. Speedway, March 13.

Josh Smith, Attica vs. Turkey Run, March 9.

Daniel Trabant, North Knox vs. Eastern (Bloomfield), March 10.

Troy Wenger, Boone Grove vs. Wheeler, March 6.

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David Hoover, Cowan vs. Monroe Central, March 6.

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Seth Colclasure, Belmont vs. Maconaquah, March 10.

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Marques Bennett, Brebeuf vs. Indianapolis Chatard, March 6.

Seth Colclasure, Belmont vs. Muncie Southside, March 14.

Drew Gore, Monrovia vs. South Putnam, March 6.

Brandon Jones, Peru vs. Norwell, March 6.

B.J. McAlister, Switzerland County vs. North Decatur, March 6.

Josh Smith, Attica vs. North Daviess, March 13.

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Gabe Miller, Carroll (Fort Wayne) vs. East Noble, March 13.

Jake Parker, Portage vs. Michigan City, March 6.

T.J. Wolf, Martinsville vs. Northview, March 6.

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Ricky Hise, Kouts vs. Triton, March 14.

Sean May, Bloomington North vs. Bloomington South, March 10.

Craig Schoen, South Central (Elizabeth) vs. New Washington, March 9.

Cole Sinclair, Bedford North Lawrence vs. Jeffersonville, March 9.

Caleb Strickland, New Washington vs. Northeast Dubois, March 13.

Logan Whitman, Northview vs. Martinsville, March 6.

2000-01 SCORING LEADERS

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Through games of March 14, 2001

*Team in semi-state

Player	School	Class	Grade	Games	High	Total	Avg.
Seth Colclasure	Bellmont	3A	Junior	24	47	706	29.4
Brandon McKnight	South Bend LaSalle	4A	Senior	23	41	657	28.5
Brandon Gabbard	South Dearborn	3A	Senior	18	39	453	25.1
Tyson Martin	South Spencer	2A	Senior	23	35	579	25.1
Anthony Winchester	Austin	2A	Junior	22	39	554	25.1
Cris Brunson	Evansville Reitz	4A	Senior	21	37	526	25.0
Derrick Graham	South Bend Washington	4A	Junior	22	37	551	25.0
Sylvester Mayes	South Bend Clay	4A	Soph.	18	44	449	24.9
Ty Crone	Eminence	A	Junior	19	33	464	24.4
*Sean May	Bloomington North	4A	Junior	21	40	512	24.3
Cody New	Tippecanoe Valley	3A	Senior	21	35	510	24.2
*Josh Smith	Attica	A	Senior	24	45	582	24.2
J. R. Angle	Indian Creek	2A	Fr.	21	43	502	23.9
Austin Brooks	Evansville Day	A	Senior	24	39	573	23.8
*Levi Carmichael	Eastern (Bloomfield)	2A	Senior	24	44	572	23.8
Justin Chittick	Rossville	A	Junior	18	39	430	23.8
Craig Schoen	South Central (Elizabeth)	A	Junior	21	38	497	23.6
Evan Seacat	Paoli	2A	Junior	25	50	586	23.4

Todd Schaefer	Wheeler	2A	Soph.	19	33	439	23.1
Daniel Trabant	North Knox	2A	Senior	24	40	556	23.1
Eric Walsh	Caston	A	Junior	21	40	486	23.1
*Brandon Jones	Peru	3A	Senior	14	40	323	23.0
*Chris Thomas	Pike	4A	Senior	26	35	600	23.0
*Blake Schoen	Benton Central	3A	Junior	24	36	551	22.9
Jared Reeves	Brownsburg	4A	Junior	20	41	457	22.8
*Kyle Cox	Blue River Valley	A	Junior	24	33	544	22.6
Tyler Clevenger	Winchester	2A	Junior	21	35	470	22.3
Jackson Atoyebi	Culver Military	3A	Senior	22	37	490	22.2
Robert Haney	Indiana Deaf School	A	Senior	19	40	423	22.2
Jake Parker	Portage	4A	Senior	24	46	532	22.1
Pat Jessup	Lakewood Park Christian	A	Senior	25	44	551	22.0
*Cole Sinclair	Bedford North Lawrence	4A	Senior	22	32	482	21.9
Martell Taylor	South Bend Riley	4A	Senior	21	40	461	21.9
*Gabe Miller	Carroll (Fort Wayne)	4A	Senior	25	39	546	21.8
Blair Crawford	Kokomo	4A	Senior	23	34	498	21.6
George Richey	Frontier	A	Junior	21	40	453	21.5
*Avery Sheets	McCutcheon	4A	Junior	23	34	494	21.4
*Ricky Hise	Kouts	A	Soph.	23	34	489	21.2
David Logan	North Central (Indpls.)	4A	Senior	22	42	467	21.2
Anthony Baxter	Indpls. Broad Ripple	4A	Senior	20	42	421	21.0
*Marques Bennett	Brebeuf	3A	Junior	23	36	485	21.0
*Marcus Hall	Oak Hill	2A	Senior	23	33	483	21.0
Andy Emberton	Eminence	A	Senior	20	35	414	20.7
Ric Wyand	Franklin Central	4A	Senior	22	35	456	20.7
Tony Bollier	Leo	2A	Junior	23	45	475	20.6
Nick Otis	LaPorte	4A	Senior	21	37	433	20.6
Sean Kline	Huntington North	4A	Senior	21	31	431	20.5
Chris Adkins	Glenn	2A	Senior	24	31	490	20.4
Jon Hunter	Wes-Del	A	Junior	21	30	422	20.0
Andy Marks	Hebron	2A	Senior	21	31	420	20.0

Blake Preusz	Marion Lakeview Christian	A	Junior	21	31	420	20.0
Nick Scott	Danville	3A	Senior	22	43	441	20.0