



43rd Boys Basketball State Tournament

Athletic Directors and Boys Basketball Coaches:

I hope the fall season was enjoyable and rewarding for you and your school community. Now that basketball games have begun, I wanted to touch base with you to provide some details regarding this year's basketball state tournament.

We are still in discussions with possible host venues for the semi-finals and finals this year. We will update you as soon as a decision is made.

Below are the tentative dates for the 2025-2026 VISAA Boys Basketball State Tournament. Please mark all four dates on your calendar.

First Round	Tuesday, February 24th	at higher seed (5-12)
Quarter-Finals	Wednesday, February 25th	at higher seed
Semi-Finals	Friday, February 27th	TBD
Finals	Saturday, February 28th	TBD

A reminder, only member schools of the VISAA are eligible to participate in the state tournament. Membership dues and all required school information must be submitted to VISAA in order for a school to be eligible for participation. If you have any questions concerning your school eligibility, contact Adam Brick at: abrick@visaa.org.

Divisions for this year's tournament are based on the enrollment numbers provided by member schools in September 2023 to VISAA. This year, the boys basketball programs have been divided into four divisions, with each division competing for a championship. We will continue to select 12 teams from each division to participate in the tournament. Division breakdowns are already posted on the VISAA website and you should look there if you need to know who is in what division.

We will continue to use the 30 second shot clock for all rounds of the Division I Tournament, ONLY. We will use the 30 second shot clock rules we used last year, which are posted on the VISAA website under Boys Basketball.

Please be sure to send your rosters, game schedule, and results to AP Prep Scores(apscores@ap.org) and to MaxPreps as soon as possible. Polls will be published every Tuesday, beginning January 13, 2026.

Finally, listed below are VISAA financial policies pertaining to hosting VISAA championship events.

- Host school will be responsible for absorbing all expenses involved in hosting first round and quarterfinal games of VISAA championship events.
- Host school must charge admission to the event and send the income with the proper form to VISAA within **fourteen days** of the event. Reminder, Online Tickets for all games of tournament are available thru GoFan.
- There will be a \$50 penalty for monies and forms not received within **fourteen days**.
- There will be a \$100 penalty for monies and forms not received within **thirty days**.
- Failure to charge admission at events or not returning financials forms within deadlines may result in a school not hosting in that sport for the following school year.
- Forms can be found on the VISAA Website under “Members Only” and then “Forms”.

Don't hesitate to contact me or any member of the committee if you have questions. You can contact me at: tahoops@aol.com or 804-731-1798.

Sincerely,

Walter Westbrook

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