

January 1, 2016

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual Lutheran Sports Association of Wisconsin Tournament of Champions State 2016, will be held March 4-6 2016 in Mequon, Grafton and Jackson, Wisconsin. The Tournament of Champions is open to all Wisconsin Lutheran grade schools. Acceptance of teams is based upon performance during the season. Every winning team, especially league and tournament champions, is encouraged to apply for participation.

# **APPLICATION PROCESS—Eligibility, and Tournament Rules**

- The application is an online only process; go to <a href="www.lsawi.org">www.lsawi.org</a> to find the 3 links needed to complete the application process. You may also use the links provided in this letter. This is a new process for our Tournament of Champions. We are excited to be using an online system this year.
- Please familiarize yourself with our tournament and eligibility rules.

## **Application Steps**

1. Begin Completing your 2015-2016 Season Summary. PLEASE NOTE: This is an online form that you are able to continually update until the very end of your season. We are relying on you to continue the updates, and will not be contacting you to continue this process. When submitting all of your games to date, scroll all the way to the bottom to submit. You will be directed to a page that looks like what you will see below:

# 2015-2016 Season Summary

Thank you for submitting your 15-16 Season Summary. PLEASE NOTE: It is your responsibility to retain the link to your record, so that you can continue to add to is as your season progresses. We will not be contacting you to continue to fill in your season record. This is your responsibility.

See previous responses Edit your response Submit another response

Make note of the URL at the top of your web browser, COPY, PASTE & SAVE this in a safe location. By going back to this exact webpage, you will be able to continue to update your Season Summary through February 23, 2016

(11:59P.M., web server stamp)

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- 2. Complete and Submit <u>School & Roster</u> information on theapplication site—entered by February 1, 2016 (The application site will note the time of your submission, any entries after 11:59P.M. on February 1, 2016 will not be honored as complete)
- Mail entry fee (\$150.00)-Postmarked by February 1, 2016.
   Make check payable to: Lutheran Sports Association of Wisconsin Mail to the P.O. box in the footer of our letterhead.
- 4. A commemorative page must be submitted to <a href="entry@lsawi.org">entry@lsawi.org</a> by February 1<sup>st</sup>. This page is often used for staff and students to cheer on their teams, or coaches to commemorate a season. Please have this sent as a part of your application process. If you would like samples of this page, please e-mail Jenny Wolff at <a href="mailto:jennywolff81@yahoo.com">jennywolff81@yahoo.com</a>

## **Tournament Format**

- **1. Play in Games Possible—**All teams should keep Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> open for a play-in game if needed. Each year we have more and more teams apply and season records very close. Please know that this is a possibility, if the need should arise.
- 2. Opening Rounds—Play begins at 4:00P.M. Travel time will be taken into consideration as much as possible for teams traveling long distances. The format for the tournament weekend will be single elimination with a consolation bracket, assuring each team of playing a minimum of two games, with a maximum of four games. Every team will play one game on Friday and must be willing to play as early as 4:00P.M.

## **TOURNAMENT DETAILS**

Tournament team pictures are taken at Concordia University on Friday only. Many schools in the state will provide STATE 2016 volunteers. Individuals interested in volunteering should contact Kevin Riemer at <a href="mailto:kevinriemer@aol.com">kevinriemer@aol.com</a>. Concessions at all sites will be available during the tournament.

# **HOUSING**

## PROGRAM BOOK

All Tournament of Champions participants will receive one (1) tournament program commemorative book. Do you know of anyone who would like to advertise or support your team in our program book? Please contact Kevin Riemer at <a href="mailto:kevinriemer@aol.com">kevinriemer@aol.com</a> for more information.

## **Tournament Rules**

We continue to follow WIAA rules as applied to the grade school level. Quarters will be played.

## WORSHIP

.The surrounding area offers several opportunities for worship during our tournament weekend. We urge and encourage all teams to keep Christ first, and attend worship. We have scheduled our first round of basketball so that all teams are able to worship on Sunday morning at a local church prior to the first round of Championship Sunday.

## **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Application Deadline:** February 1, 2016 (11:59P.M., web server time stamp)

- Online Application (<a href="http://bit.ly/2016app">http://bit.ly/2016app</a>)
- Online Season Summary (<a href="http://bit.ly/seasonsummary">http://bit.ly/seasonsummary</a>)
- Online Team Roster (http://bit.ly/2016roster)
- Online Cheerleader Roster (http://bit.ly/2016cheerleaders)
- Commemorative Page sent via e-mail
- Mailed Entry Fee

# Selection Night: February 15th

The committee will select who is in, who is out, and if a play in game is necessary. You will be contacted no later than February 18 of your teams status.

# **Brackets Released:** February 26

Tournament pairings will be posted on Lutheran Sports Association website and available for download. <a href="https://www.lsawi.org">www.lsawi.org</a>

## **Tournament of Champions State 2016: March 4-6**

God's Richest Blessings as your team continue to play for Him,

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