

2025

**State Basketball
Tournament**



**December 6th
Minot, North Dakota**



Good morning athletes, coaches, friends, volunteers, and sponsors!

Today marks the grand finale of an incredible season—the last tournament of the year. What a journey it has been! Each game, each practice, and every moment of dedication has brought us to this point. You’ve shown resilience, teamwork, and the true spirit of competition. This tournament isn’t just about winning—it’s about celebrating the effort, the passion, and the memories we’ve created together.

This year has been different from years past, and we want to thank you for your understanding and flexibility as we worked to determine a way to host this tournament for as many participants as space would allow. Your patience and support made it possible for us to come together and celebrate the sport we love.

To our athletes: you’ve pushed yourselves beyond limits, and today is your chance to shine one more time. To our coaches: thank you for guiding, mentoring, and inspiring these teams to greatness. To our volunteers and supporters: your energy and commitment make this event possible, and we couldn’t do it without you. And to our sponsors: your generosity and partnership help make this tournament a reality—we deeply appreciate your investment in these athletes and in the future of the sport.

As we close out this remarkable year, let’s carry the lessons learned and the friendships built into 2026. The future is bright, and together, we’ll make it even better. So step onto that court with pride, play with heart, and leave everything out there. This is your moment—make it unforgettable!

Here’s to a great tournament and an even greater year ahead!

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Hanson".

Nancy Hanson
President & CEO
Special Olympics North Dakota

Welcome!

Thank you for participating in the State Basketball Tournament. We truly hope you enjoy all the activities taking place during this event. We thank the community of Minot for its hospitality and the following people, businesses, and organizations for the generous donation of their time, effort, and the many contributions on behalf of the tournament.

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Magic City Lions





Saturday, December 6th



7:45am – 8:15am	Team Registration
8:15am	Coaches Meeting – Ramstad Middle School
8:45am	Opening Ceremony Line Up
9:00am – 9:45am	Opening Ceremonies – Ramstad Middle School
10:15am	Start of Competition at Ramstad Middle School
10:45am	Start of Competition at Central Middle School & Jill Hill Middle School
11:00am – 12:00pm	Lunch Distribution
5:00pm	Competition Ends
5:00pm	Dinner Distribution

Locations in Minot

Central Middle School (Divisions 1 & 2)

215 1st St SE

Jim Hill Middle School (Divisions 3, 4, & 5)

1000 6th St SW

Ramstad Middle School (All Youth Divisions)

1215 36th Ave NW

****Award presentation will take place after the completion of each division****

WHISTLES READY, PLAYERS STEADY!
LET'S PLAY SOME BASKETBALL!

Belcourt

Braves

Coaches: Barbara Nelson, Leslie DeCoteau, Cindy

Makayla Azure
Kaleb Johnson
Adam White

Rowdy Bercier
Norman LaFountain

Madison DeCoteau
Jaelynn Schroder

Braves 2.0

Coaches: Cindy Olson, Leslie DeCoteau, & Barbara Nelson

Jason Belgarde
Ave DeCoteau
Wilfred Hill
ShyAnn Olson

Quwaden Belgarde
Sophia DeCoteau
Madimus Longie

Madalynn Davis
Kys Gladue
Elijah Nadeau



Bismarck

Cheer Team

Coaches: Sara Koppen-Doll, Rachel Barnes, Jen Rewald, & Tatum Bauer

Daniel Freidt
Delynn Schmidt
Crystal Seefeldt
Ashley Mutzenberger

Karen Halsey
Debbie Scott
Janet Schlecht

Alan Radzus
Roxanne Scott
Sherylann Williams

Blaze

Coaches: Brandon Smith & Tom Dworshak

Benjamin Antonsen
Lance Jahner
Johnathan Summers

Jesse Christensen
Aiden Meidinger
Mark Wald

Chase Irwin
Holly Scheetz
Charles Warren

Broncos

Coaches: Shalynn Vetter & Zach Cottingham

Adam Bobbe
Gavyn Herfendal
David Johs
Hailey Sandwick

Grady Christensen
Vedrana Hodzic
Aaron Miller
Matthew Thompson

Chris Goetz
Zachariah Jensen
Joseph Nacua

Bandits

Coaches: Stan Thompson & Todd Wahl

Brandon Bonagofsky
Morgan Huft
Chad Munsch
Lacey Theisen

Nathan Gaddis
Luke Keller
Stephen Osterlund

Samantha Gordon
Adam Kuhn
Ronald Schmidt



Cass County

Cheer Team

Coaches: Alexie Krei, Nikki Krei, & Jayne Holtgrewe

Erin Andreasen	Amy Blehm	Ashley Campbell
Collette Colling	Mistie Creech	Lulu Faris
Shena Holtgrewe	Tawnya Jenner	Jackie Krei
Ashley Martz	Melanie McIntyre	Emily Rivard
Laicy Sommerville	Shanda Youngquist	

Falcons

Coaches: Wes Frisco, Sam Sorenson, & Mya Thonnes

Levi Doll	Chris Jellah	Kyler Lewis
Issac Oberg	Sawyer Percy	Matthew Ruona
Isaac Sorenson	Lukas Vosberg	

Eagles

Coaches: Kari Scott, Cody Sorlien, & Jeremiah Colbert

Brandon Austinson	Alexis Bolstad	Alex Clute
Shane Desautel	Jenni Hummel	Charles Laughlin
Kyle Mason	Nick Poolman	Collin Pribula

Hawks

Coaches: Brady Blatchford & Brita Greenwalt

Corey Abraham	Daniel Ackerman	Deb Drovda
Jason Faltersack	Aaron Freitag	Kenny Fowler
Randy Gilman	Scott Hagen	Troy Hakanson
Dontae Jones	Hannah Jordet	

Wolves

Coaches: David Meske, Jordan Lorenzen, Jeremiah Colbert, & Jaqui Wieber

Kelli Cymbaluk	Codie Devaney	Kalvin Easley
Anthony Erickson	Nick Hirschert	Lance Rosenkranz
Tyler Steinhouse		

Devils Lake

Bears

Coach: Hunter Parisien

Anthony Beri
Will Green
Amanda Sigette
Christian Wilson

William Buckles
Tyrone Ironshield
Calvin Smith

Allison Ewert
John Klindworth
Samantha Soper

Cubs

Coaches: Kim Shereck & Jeff Jacobson

Janessa Charboneau
McKenzie LaLonde
Jon Redfox
Easton Wirth

Ally Charette
Isabelle Laverdure
Bailee Rude
Blake Zimmerman

Lilly Deseth
Kenadee Ostlie
Davina Williams
Landon Zimmerman

Dickinson

Dominators

Coach: James Cox

Brady Andres
Clenton King
Olivia Van Hook

Joletta Brunmeier
Lizzy Parsons
Ashley Zastipo

Niclole Hanel
Braden Tooze

Mustangs

Coach: Curt Duppong

Jeremey Campbell
Ryan Duppong
Billy Pyfer

Zachary Cox
Jenna Hollman
Chris Tagle

Zachary Dobitz
Dylan Plaggemeyer
Keaton Tooze

Rebels

Coaches: James Perdaems & Erika Brunmeier

Rachael Axtmann
Taylor Brunmeier
Alizayah Ogren

Jasmine Booth
Jenna Hollman
Maxwell Rogers

Gabe Brunmeier
Benton Kadmas

Grand Forks

Cheer Team

Coaches: Meghan Foy, Georgia Hershey, & Julie Watson

Raquel Allison
Em LaPlant
Charlotte Scott
Hannah Watson

Jolynn Faulhaber
Lynne Nygaard
Kyanne Stringer

Breanna Foy
Madysen Stallmo
Nova Stringer

Falcons

Coach: Deb Schlieff

Austin Eliason
Sara Johnson
Austin Schlieff

Lilia Fish
Jenna Rehling
Brady Wray

Ethan Johnson
Toby Ripley

Lightning

Coaches: Chad Sattler & Jett Weis

Cheyenne Booth
Stacey Olson
Tom Sorenson

Bethany Johnson
Dani Sattler
Kellie Swingen

Julianna Nelson
Corey Schuler
Adam Weiler

Ravens

Coach: Josh Parrill

Kiera Hodney
Terri Moran
Alex Smith

Olivia Jenson
Grace Nikle
Jaiden Thompson

Jassen Johnson
Vanessa Rodriguez
Adam Walski

Thunder

Coaches: Katelyn Weber & Kristian Herman

Jacob Barbeau
Brad Goss
Josh Jerome

Isaac Conrad
Deion Hanson
Tyler Lee

David Dahlgren
Jacob Hesse
Jecky Oylare

Wolfpack

Coach: Teresa Agnes

Dante Agnes
Chad Daucsavage
Tommy Mikkelson

Baylee Bjorge
Jordan Erickson
Kevin Nelson

Kieran Dale
Bryan Hamilton
Dylan Sollund

Grafton

Grafton

Coach: Shawn Hanson

Jamison Brewer
Katrina Gosner
Aarav Mehta
Mason Tollefson

Chucky Buffet
Jeremy Harper
Bryar Morin

Wyatt Doll
Annie Harris
Trenton Novak

Jamestown

Cobras

Coaches: Jake Hanson & Lexi Smith

Evan Frenzel
Skylar Lux
Billy Whitecotton

Ty Kersting
Sydney Mathisen

Samantha Kolden
Domonic Radkte

Mandan

Fever

Coach: Tonya Jans

Nick Edwards
Jasiah Monaghan
Lilette Smith
Christian Ortega-Rivera

Kayla Foth
Brian Ricker
Sheridan Two Bears

Jared Jans
Ann Schuh
Paul Vardenega

Let me win.

But if I cannot win,

let me be brave
in the attempt.

-Special Olympics athlete oath

Minot

Cheer Team

Coaches: Jacque Harvey & Val Potter

Justine Fredericks
Cassie Lunde
Denesse Wilson

Brittany Gosselin
Naveah Stone

Cara Lund
Tyasia Tollefson

Mini Beavers

Coaches: Krista Permentier & Luke Browning

Stetson Erickson
Shelby Hess
Faith Seykora

Larry Hall Jr.
Katie Major
Caleb Smith

Cody Hanson
Ethan Permentier
Keegan Walter

North Stars

Coach: Mathew Tollefson & Scott Tollefson

Sammy Aalund
Ashley Hanson
Grace Redding
Mercedes Wolff

Jennifer Folven
Madelyn Hoornaert
Jaedyn Rust
Victoria Zurcher

Wendy Goldade
Elizabeth McRory
Rayha Urness

Slow Down Bulldogs

Coach: Rex Obico & Skylar Tollefson

Evan Baustad
Chad Kolb
James Misialke
Roger Surdahl

Gary Cullen
Jamie LaFromboise
CJ Parisien

Darin Grondal
Andy May
Alex Sloan

Swish

Coaches: Lane Banister & Rosie Dorval

Jimmy Charley
Robert Gorman
Tyler Leintz

Christy Coughlin
Avery Iversen
Aaron Sloan

Tiffany Coutts
Bryan Johnson

Thunder

Coaches: Katie Dufner & Fateema Edwards-Dorval

Cindy Brossart
Michael Dufner
Aushata Land
Max Osadchuk

Ray Carlson
Seth Grady
Jazmyne Mittleider
Conner Ringoen

Kelly Coutts
Jesse Kraft
Jeff Nehring Jr.
Kyle Ziegler

Valley City

Bridgesters

Coach: John Schonert

Anthony Anderosn
Marie Delorme
Adam Meresh

Seth Breske
Terry Hunter
Kandice Novak

RoxAnne DeKrey
Nick LaMier
Mike Vanheizen

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Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Location
Feb 28-Mar 1, 2026	State Winter Games	Valley City
March 21, 2026	Polar Plunge	Grand Forks
March 28, 2026	Polar Plunge	Fargo
April 16, 2026	Dancing for Special Stars	Grand Forks
May 10-15, 2026	Law Enforcement Torch Run	Statewide
May 16-17, 2026	State Summer Games	Fargo
June 29, 2026	Fargo Golf Classic	Fargo
June 2026	Truck Pull	Minot

As we celebrate the incredible talent and dedication on display at this year's state tournament, we invite you to continue supporting our athletes by attending upcoming events and participating in community activities. Your presence and encouragement make a lasting impact on their journey.

Let's keep the momentum going—mark your calendars, bring your team spirit, and help us create more unforgettable moments together. We look forward to seeing you there!





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