



2021 IHSAA State Basketball Tournament

March 8-12, Wells Fargo Arena, Des Moines

MEDIA INFORMATION



MEDIA ACCESS

- **Entry:** All professional media members must register in advance of the event through the IHSAA website and present a mobile or printed scannable ticket as issued by Iowa Events Center. Entry each day will be through the VIP/Media doors on the NW corner of Wells Fargo Arena. Once scanned in, IHSAA media members should take the elevator downstairs to the NW tunnel entry. The IHSAA will not have a check-in table for media or administrators at the 2021 event. IHSSN media members should take the elevator upstairs to the radio deck.
- **IHSAA Credentials:** Media members should display the IHSAA's 2020-21 gray hard copy credential if they have it or they will receive a temporary wristband upon entry. A credential or wristband is required before receiving floor access. A new wristband is required daily.
- **IHSSN Credentials:** Radio and audio access managed by [IHSSN and Iowa Events Center](#).
- **School Media Representatives:** Purchased ticket and administrator letter required. No registration required before arrival. One adult or up to two students from newspaper, yearbook, district, etc., permitted per participating school. New ticket required for each game.

MEDIA WORK SPACE

- **Media Center:** The media work room is on the left side of the NW hallway on floor level, through the large garage doors on the left.
- **Press Box:** IHSSN credentialed radio and audio outlets have been assigned to the press box/radio deck in the 200/300 level. Seats have been marked for stations in the first two rows. Remaining space may be used as overflow for other media. Credentials required for entry.
- **Interview Rooms:** Coaches and select players will be brought for interviews in the NW hallway as soon as possible after games. Meet with IHSAA communications director Chris Cuellar to coordinate interviews as necessary. No media access is allowed in locker rooms or team warm-up spaces. Do not delay coaches or players on the court or during award ceremonies.
- **Courtside Seating:** The courtside row of tables and chairs are reserved for working professional outlets. Depending on the game, not all outlets may be seated simultaneously, so please be courteous and considerate with space.
- **Photo & TV:** Spaces for sitting and kneeling are marked out on the baselines under baskets. There are also spaces marked on the 100-level concourse for TV cameras with electric and internet hook-ups. No live video is permitted from the arena floor with games in play.

IOWA HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS NETWORK

- **How to Watch:** The Iowa High School Sports Network is broadcasting every game of the tournament through TV and streaming options. TV viewers should check their local listings. Streaming is free via www.ihssn.com/live or the IHSSN app.
- **Video Policies:** IHSSN rules and regulations apply for newspaper, radio, and television outlets seeking to post video clips from state tournament events. Internet outlets must contact ken@ihssn.com prior to shooting video of game action. **Live streaming is prohibited.** More info: www.ihssn.com/media-resources.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

- **Statistics:** The IHSAA will provide live game statistics via State Tournament Central at www.iahsaa.org as available. Paper copies of statistics will be available at halftime and postgame. Please visit the Stat Room in the NW hallway for select copies or breakdowns.
- **All-Tournament Team:** Tournament media provides the voting block for the annual All-Tournament Team selections. Ballots are available in the Stat Room and due by halftime of Friday's championship games. Attending media members may also email ballot choices to IHSAA communications director Chris Cuellar: ccuellar@iahsaa.org.

PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

- By attending the state meet with an IHSAA/IGHSAU approved credential, you are agreeing to abide by professional and standard journalism practices. **Cheering and demonstrative behaviors are not permitted on the arena floor.** Credentials and access may not be shared with coaches, parents, friends, children, etc. Photographers may not show participants or officials images while a game is still in progress. Do not enter locker rooms or student-athlete areas outside of interview spaces. Thank you.