

## **Big Time Basketball Coming**

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The La Crosse Central Basketball Association will be hosting the 7th Grade Wisconsin State Invitational Championship Tournament to be held here in La Crosse on Saturday and Sunday. With over 95 teams coming to La Crosse, this tournament will draw over 5000 fans and family members to the community each day. Over 700 hotel rooms have been reserved by team members and their families.

The tournament brings the very best 7th grade teams from all around the state who have participated in the Great Northwest Basketball League. The league organizes weekly tournaments in local communities from December - March culminating in this by invitation only tournament.

The La Crosse Central Basketball Association has been chosen from among several communities to host this tournament each of the last 5 years in part because of their ability to host multiple sites and the cooperation they receive from the La Crosse School District, Viterbo, UWL, and the Boys and Girls Club. 17 courts and 6 different sites will be utilized almost non stop on Saturday and Sunday.