

# 2026 LSAM Basketball Coaches' Packet



Tournament Dates: February 20-22, 2026

Tournament Location: Jefferson City, MO

Congratulations on being selected for this year's LSAM State Basketball tournament. The tournament committee is excited to host you in Jefferson City for this year's event. Below is a list of the items this packet contains. It is important that you pay attention to the deadlines in the packet and get those forms returned to us in a timely manner. More information will be shared with you as we get closer to the tournament. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact the tournament director, Drew Burnett.

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# IMPORTANT DATES

- T-Shirt Order Forms Due: **Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup>**
- Team Ads Due: **Friday, February 6<sup>th</sup>**

Registration – Begins at 2:00 pm on Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup> (*More info on Page 4*)

Team registration will occur on Friday afternoon at **Faith Lutheran Church**. Coaches will check in their teams, and teams will take their team photos with our professional photographer. Coaches will turn in any outstanding payments at this time. Fans and spectators can buy weekend passes and programs at registration. **DOORS WILL NOT OPEN BEFORE 1:45 PM. DO NOT ARRIVE THERE BEFORE 1:45; YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN.** Once you take your picture and register, we ask that your team exit the facility to assist with traffic flow and parking.

## Team Pictures Schedule

A team picture schedule will be sent out at a later date detailing when each team is scheduled to be at registration to take a team picture. Please be on time. The schedule will be shared with everyone via email and on the website after brackets are posted.

## Sportsmanship Award

The Lutheran Sports Association of Missouri (LSAM) promotes good sportsmanship by all players, coaches, officials, and fans. We ask that you be respectful during games and your entire stay in Jefferson City. Stomping on the bleachers, inappropriate language, and obscene gestures are not allowed in all gyms. Those violating these requests may be asked by tournament staff to leave the gym. Continuous violations of these rules may result in team punishment. The Lutheran Sports Association of Missouri awards a sportsmanship banner and trophy to one boys' and girls' team that displays the best sportsmanship and Christ-like attitude throughout the weekend. The award winner will be announced on Sunday during tournament play.

## All-Tournament Team

The LSAM Basketball Committee/Board will select an All-Tournament team consisting of five players (five (5) Boys and five (5) Girls). Awards will be handed out following each player's final game of the weekend.

# LSAM State Basketball Championships

## Schedule of Events

Friday, February 20, 2026

Faith Lutheran Church (Friday Afternoon)

2:00PM to 5:30 PM      Team Registration  
2:00 PM to 5:30 PM      Team Photos

Trinity Lutheran School & Helias Catholic High School

5:00 PM to 9:00 PM      First Round Tournament Games      Gyms  
*Doors Open 30 minutes prior to the first game's tip-off*

Saturday, February 21, 2026

Helias Catholic High School, Trinity Lutheran School, & Gym to be determined

8:00 AM to 3:30 PM      Tournament Play      Gyms A&B  
*Doors Open 30 minutes prior to the first game's tip-off*

4:30 PM to 5:00 PM      Line Up of LSAM Teams      Gym B  
5:00 PM to 5:15 PM      Parade of LSAM Teams      Gym A  
5:15 PM to 6:00 PM      Worship Service      Gym A  
6:00 PM to 6:30 PM      Knockout Competition      Gym A

Sunday, February 22, 2026

Helias Catholic High School

8:00 AM to 5:00 PM      Tournament Play      Gyms A&B  
*Doors Open at 7:30 AM*



## Friday Registration and Team Photos

WHERE: Faith Lutheran Church – Gym (2027 Industrial Dr, Jefferson City, MO 65109)

TIME: 2:00 – 5:30 pm **WE WILL NOT CHECK ANYONE IN PRIOR TO 2:00PM.**

WHAT TO EXPECT:

### ***COACHES:***

- Coaches will need to check in at the registration desk. We will take any additional payments still owed.
- Coaches will receive a tournament program, team t-shirt order, and any other information that may need to be shared.
- **TEAM PHOTOS:**
  - Photos will take place in a conference room adjacent to the atrium. Staff will direct you where to go.
  - Please refer to the team photo schedule that has been shared with you and is available on the LSAM website following the brackets being released.
  - We ask that you arrive 10-15 minutes prior to your scheduled time so we can stay on schedule for everyone else.
  - What to wear: Teams are encouraged to wear their jerseys, matching warm-ups, or travel gear for the photo.

### ***PARENTS/FANS: PLEASE SHARE THIS WITH YOUR PARENTS AND FANS***

- Weekend passes and tournament programs can be purchased at registration. They will also be available at all gym locations throughout the weekend (Programs while supplies last). Pricing is posted on the website. **Credit card only accepted at registration. Gyms are cash only.**
- Once your team has completed check-in and your team photo, we ask that your team leave and head elsewhere to help keep things less congested as other teams arrive. **PLEASE DO NOT LOITER!**

## 2026 LSAM Basketball Coaches' Information/FAQs

- How early do the gyms open to start the day?
  - Gyms open 30 minutes prior to the first game of the day.
- How do I know if I am the Home or Guest team when looking at the bracket? And what jersey do I wear?
  - The home team is the top team on the bracket and will wear white/lighter colored jersey.
- Are there specific benches for the Home or Guest team?
  - Yes. When standing facing the scorer's table, the HOME team will be on the **RIGHT-side** bench. The GUEST team will be on the **LEFT-side** bench. This applies to all gyms.
- Are there locker rooms available for my team?
  - Locker room availability will vary based on which gym you are in. LSAM tournament staff will help direct you where to go.
    1. **Helias Gym A:** The HOME team will use the girls' locker room next to their bench; the GUEST team will be in the Boy's locker room under the bleachers.
    2. **Helias Gym B:** The locker rooms are behind the benches through the doors. The HOME team will have an area in the hallway directly behind their bench through the double doors, while the GUEST team will have the girls' PE locker room. We are not allowed to use Helias' boys' basketball locker room. Restrooms are available in this area.
    3. **Trinity:** Locker rooms are available in the gym and will have signs that say home or visitor on them. Home will be on the bench on the right when looking at the scores table, guest on the left.
- Will warm-up basketballs be provided?
  - Yes. At all gyms.
- Can my scorekeeper/statistician sit at the scorer's table?
  - NO. They must be seated on your bench. They are welcome to check with the official book at stoppages in play or between quarters. Their chair must be part of your bench. Please do not try and move them closer or behind our scorer's table. Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action.
- Will games start ahead of the scheduled time?
  - Yes. We will start games earlier than their scheduled start time if the previous game finishes early. We will not start games more than 15 minutes before the scheduled time unless both teams agree to start earlier. We will make sure you receive adequate warm-up time if games fall behind.
- Are the games going to be streamed?
  - We will attempt to stream as many games as possible based on Wi-Fi/internet availability. Check out social media pages for announcements.
- Are there any special rules?
  - Yes. Teams cannot press when up by 20 points or more. Officials will do their best to warn teams and enforce this rule.

# Saturday Night Parade of Teams, Church Service, & Knockout Competition

## Parade of Teams

- Team Line-up begins in Gym B (Old Gym) at 4:30 pm
- The parade of teams will start at 5:00 pm.
- You do not need to wear your team jerseys. Teams in the past have worn their team shirt/warm-up for that season or dressed in their school colors. Please have your players wear shoes they can play knockout in. Dress comfortably.
- If your school has a banner, please bring it for your team to carry as they walk in.
- An LSAM Board Member will direct teams to their seats in the bleachers.

## Church Service

Following the parade of teams will be the church service, where an offering will be taken and given back to charity (will be announced before collection).

## Knockout Competition

- While teams are lined up in the old gym, they will receive a number for the groups they are in. On average, there are 8-9 groups.
- The top 2 finishers from each group will proceed to a championship round on both the boys and the girls' side.
- We will crown a boys' champion and a girls' champion. The champion will receive a trophy.

*Festivities should be completed at approximately 7:00 p.m.*

## 2026 LSAM Basketball T-Shirt Design

Front of T-Shirt – Black shirt



**Cost: \$15.00**

Print the Individual's name and the t-shirt size they desire. T-shirts will be printed and given to coaches for distribution during registration. Pre-ordered shirts are \$15.00 each. Please attach one check or money order for the total amount of the order. Anyone can order these shirts. Email Shirt orders to Drew Burnett. YOU CAN INCLUDE YOUR PAYMENT WITH YOUR TEAM APPLICATION AND/OR ADMONEY

**TURN IN T-SHIRT ORDERS BY 2-6-26**

Dmb5h4@gmail.com



# 2026 LSAM Basketball Team Ad Information

Team ads are a great way to make our programs more personable to your team and help us cover tournament costs, enabling us to provide the best experience possible. Examples are available on the website.

- Deadline: ***Friday, February 6, 2026***
- Ads will be a full page in the tournament program next to their team's roster.
- Please Email the ad to:
  - Drew Burnett: [dmb5h4@gmail.com](mailto:dmb5h4@gmail.com)
- Cost: \$100
  - Please make checks payable to Lutheran Sports Association of Missouri – You can combine this with your application fee to make it one check if you have not already submitted your registration/team fee.
  - Send checks to Trinity Lutheran School, 812 Stadium Blvd, Jefferson City, MO 65109 – YOU CAN INCLUDE YOUR PAYMENT WITH YOUR TEAM APPLICATION AND/OR T-SHIRT MONEY

If you would like examples of previous team ads, please reach out to Drew at

[dmb5h4@gmail.com](mailto:dmb5h4@gmail.com).

# 2026 LSAM Locations

**Location 1: Registration & Team Photos: Faith Lutheran Church Gymnasium (Friday only)**

2027 Industrial Dr, Jefferson City, MO 65109  
Park on the lower side of the church to enter the gym



**Location 2: Trinity Lutheran School (Friday & Saturday)**

812 Stadium Blvd, Jefferson City, MO 65109



**Location 3: Helias High School Gyms A&B**  
1305 Swifts Hwy, Jefferson City, MO 65109

