



# **AC Patriot Classic**

## **Youth Basketball Tournament**

### **January 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Hastings, NE**

**Boys 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teams = Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>**

**Girls 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teams = Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>**

The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual AC Patriot Classic is scheduled for January 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> in Hastings, Nebraska. The tournament is open to 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls teams of all levels and from all sizes of towns.

Our tournament will provide 5 gym locations each day, with a total of 11 courts. Games will be played at Adams Central High School's north and south gymnasiums, Adams Central Elementary, and Juniata Elementary, as well as the Hastings YMCA facilities.

Last year we hosted over 120 teams! We feature multiple divisions in each grade level with a 3 game guarantee!

\*\*\*The AC Patriot Classic is an official qualifier for the [2023 Heartland States Basketball Championship](#) to be held in Sioux City on March 10-12, 2023. All teams finishing 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in the gold bracket of each division will qualify for the Regional Championship to battle top teams from towns throughout the Heartland Region.\*\*\*

We use the Tourney Machine Software to register teams, schedule and score our games. Get tournament schedules, standings, and brackets on your mobile device with game results and notifications through email and text messages.

We also have multiple hotels and restaurants in the community to help accommodate all your needs to make it an enjoyable weekend for everyone.

For more information, please contact the Tournament Director:

Chris Wahlmeier: (402) 984-6170

Ryan Ratigan: (402) 594-4799

**[Register your team on Tourney Machine at the following link:](#)**

<https://www.tourneymachine.com/E103043>

**Send Payment to:**

AC Patriot Classic

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# AC Patriot Classic Information

**DATES:** Boys – January 28, 2023 (Saturday)

Girls – January 29, 2023 (Sunday)

**DIVISIONS:** Boys Teams: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Girls Teams: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

**ENTRY FEES:** Registration fee for all teams is \$150 up to 10 players. Each additional player will add \$5. Payment is due at time of registration. Credit card payment is GREATLY preferred. If you absolutely must pay by check, please contact one of the tournament directors. Payment must be received before your team will get scheduled games. We ask that each team pay with one check payable to Adams Central Booster Club. There will be no refunds after registration has been submitted. A \$75 fee will be retained if the event is cancelled due to weather.

**BRACKETS:** All brackets will consist of 8 teams maximum. Each bracket will be single elimination. All teams are guaranteed 3 games, as consolation games are played to determine 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> places.

**PLAYERS:** Player must compete in their grade classification. However, younger players may participate in older divisions. Player can only compete on one team in the tournament. If incorrect information is provided, the player and team may be ineligible. No changes in rosters will be allowed after the first game unless approved by the Tournament Directors. The roster in the scorebook for the first game will be the certified roster for the tournament. **It is the coach's responsibility to verify players and numbers in the official scorebook prior to each game.**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 is the deadline. Teams are limited, so register early. If a grade level/bracket is full, teams may be put on a waiting list. After the deadline, contact one of the tournament directors to inquire about any open spots. Brackets will be emailed to coaches and posted on Tourney Machine by January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.

**RULES:** Games will consist of 8 minute quarters. The clock will stop on all free throws, time-outs, injuries, and the last minute of each quarter. All teams must have numbered jerseys. A team may only press to a 15 point lead. There will be no press allowed in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade boys and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls. **No zone defense allowed in grades 3-6! Man-to-man only. (Help/recover is considered man-to-man)**

**BALLS:** Intermediate size ball (28.5") will be used for all divisions. Each team must provide their own warm-up balls. A game ball will be provided on each court.

**AWARDS:** Medals will be presented to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place teams in 6 and 8 team brackets. Medals will be presented to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place teams in 4 team and 5 team brackets.

**SPORTSMANSHIP:** AC Patriot Classic promotes good sportsmanship by the athletes, coaches, and spectators. We request your cooperation by supporting the participants and officials in a positive manner. Inappropriate comments or actions directed at the officials, athletes, coaches or team representatives will not be tolerated and are grounds for removal from the tournament.

**OFFICIALS:** Two paid officials will be provided for each game.

**ADMISSION:** There will be a gate fee of \$5 per adult and \$3 per child (Kindergarten – 8th) each day.

**CONCESSIONS:** Concessions will be available at Adams Central High School, Adams Central Elementary, and Juniata Elementary during the tournament.