

To: Principals and Athletic Directors

**Re:** The 22nd Annual Milt Brueggemann Hope Classic December 6th-8th 2024

Greetings in the name of our risen Lord and Savior. We are working on our final touches for our 22nd Annual Milt Brueggemann Hope Classic basketball tournament. Enclosed you will find some very important information about our tournament. We are also asking you for information that will need to be sent back to us for our tournament. Please pay special attention to the deadlines outlined in this packet so that our tournament will run smoothly. More information can be found on our website: <a href="https://hopelutheran.org/mbhc/">https://hopelutheran.org/mbhc/</a>

# **The Participants**

We are still in the process of confirming participants this year. The following schools have committed to play in the tournament.

Hope Lutheran School, Shawnee, KS Trinity Lutheran School, Jefferson City, MO St. Paul's Lutheran School, Concordia, MO First Lutheran School, Ponca City, OK New Hope Christian School, Kansas City, MO Christ Prep Academy, Lenexa, KS Bethany Lutheran, Overland Park, KS Martin Luther Academy, Kansas City, MO Christ Lutheran, Overland Park, KS

# **Entry Fee**

The entry fee is \$150 per team. Please make the check payable to Hope Lutheran or visit our website to pay online. <u>https://hopelutheran.org/mbhc/</u>

# The Brackets

Once we have all schools confirmed, we will send a follow-up email with the brackets. The brackets will be randomly picked. Both tournaments will follow a standard eight-team bracket with both winners and consolation brackets. All first games will be played in the Family Life Center, our big gym. Games in the winners bracket will be played in the Family Life Center. Games in the consolation bracket will be played in Concord Hall, our smaller gym.

#### Roster

Please complete the following Google Form with your school name, student-athlete names, numbers, grades, coaches, athletic director, principal, school colors, and a PDF of your logo. Please complete this by November 16<sup>th</sup> if at all possible (Nov. 16th is the absolute deadline, your school will not be included in our program if received after November 16th.) to ensure placement in our tournament program and so we can do the official scorebook pages on the computer prior to the tournament. <u>https://forms.gle/7w/wSJG4LPNdFd4y6</u>

#### **Team Check-in**

There will be a registration table when you enter the west doors of the school. Coaches may pick up your team packet. This will include all the information you will need for the weekend.

#### **Team Rooms**

Each school will be assigned a team room. No players will be allowed in the team rooms without a coach present. Athletes will be expected to respect these rooms and leave them as they were found. Coaches will have a key exchange when they check in to receive a key to their team room and we ask that the rooms be locked if no players and coaches are occupying them. Coaches, please respect this procedure and do not allow athletes to go in the room unattended. You will check out at the end of the tournament with our principal.

#### Hotels

Here are some recommendations for hotels closest to the school.

Holiday-Inn Express and Suites 8787 Reeder St., Overland Park, KS 66214 (913) 888-8440

Fairfield Inn and Suites by Marriott 16550 Midland Dr., Shawnee, KS 66217 (913) 248-4444

Comfort Inn and Suites 16510 Midland Dr., Shawnee, KS 66217 (913) 962-5555

Courtyard by Marriott 17250 Midland Dr., Shawnee, KS 66217 (913) 631-8800

## Live Streaming

By entering the Family Life Center (FLC), you enter an area where photography, audio, and video recording may occur. By entering the event premises, you consent to such recording media, and its release, publication, exhibition or reproduction to be used for news, web casts, promotional purposes, telecasts, advertising, inclusion on websites or social media. You further waive all rights you may have to any claims in connection with any exhibition, streaming, webcasting, televising, or other publication of these materials, regardless of the purpose or sponsoring of such exhibiting broadcasting, webcasting or other publication.

## Admission Fee/Weekend Pass

We have separate daily admission fees and weekend passes for both adults and children (1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade). Kindergarten and younger is free. Admissions will be **CASH ONLY.** 

Friday - \$3.00 adults / \$2.00 children Saturday - \$5.00 adults / \$3.00 children Sunday - \$3.00 adults / \$2.00 children Weekend Family Pass - \$30.00 (up to 4 people)

# **T-shirts**

We will be offering a tournament t-shirt. The t-shirt order will be online only. We will <u>not</u> have shirts available for sale at the tournament. We will only do pre-tournament orders. T-shirts will be available for the coaches to pick up when they check-in. The order deadline is Thursday, November 16th. When you check out, in additional comments, please list what school you are from for easier t-shirt pick-up.

https://hopelutheran.org/mbhc/t-shirts/

### Concessions

A full concession stand will be available throughout the weekend. It will include meal deals, a la carte, drinks, snacks, and more. We will have card payments available for concessions. We will have a free-will donation bake sale running to support the Ministry of Stony Point. There will also be a hospitality room for all coaches, athletic directors, and principals.

### **Church Service**

There will be a special church service at Hope Lutheran in our Family Life Center (big gym) on Sunday, December 8th at 9:30 am. We encourage all our teams to join us in the tournament church service and we worship together. Pastor Phil Cook will lead our worship service.

## Thank you!

We want to thank you in advance for being a part of the 22nd Annual Milt Brueggemann Hope Classic. We look forward to fun and fellowship, seeing old friends, and meeting new friends. Our Booster Club works extremely hard on this event. This tournament brings in funds to support Hope Lutheran's extracurricular events, such as our Milt Brueggemann Tournament.

Thank you for taking the time to fill out your roster, t-shirt order forms, and meeting our deadlines. Your help allows us to have a well-run tournament. If there is anything we can do to assist you, please feel free to contact us.

God's Blessings,

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