

January 8, 2018

Dear Colleague,

The University of Wisconsin-Whitewater would like to invite the men's and women's teams from your Intramural and/or Club Sport Basketball program to participate in the 8<sup>th</sup> annual State of Wisconsin Extramural Basketball Tournament to be held March 9-10, 2018 at UW-Whitewater. This tournament is open to any team, not just the champions from your school. The winning team in both men's and women's divisions will be crowned the WIRSA State Basketball Champion and receive a championship trophy.

There will be two registration deadlines for entry into the tournament. The early-bird registration deadline is Friday, February 23, 2018 and all entry fees received by this deadline will be \$275. Teams that register from February 24 through March 2, 2018 will have an entry fee of \$325. All entries are due no later than Friday, March 2, 2018. Teams may fax, email, or mail roster forms, but must meet all registration requirements (completed rosters, eligibility forms, payment) coinciding with the applicable registration period. No personal checks will be accepted. Please pay with university check, cashier's check, or money order payable to *UW-Whitewater*. All teams are guaranteed three games, and all games will be played in the Williams Center (Campus Recreation Facility).

In addition to looking for teams, we are also in search of eager officials located throughout the area. This tournament will provide opportunities for officials to receive quality training from recreation professionals at an official's development clinic that includes classroom and on-the-court sessions for three-person mechanics. Officials will not only enhance their knowledge and skill set, but they will have the opportunity to network and have a great time with other officials. Officials will be selected to work the tournament through an online application process, and preference will be given to those officials who are from schools that have participating teams in the tournament. In addition to being selected, officials will receive a \$50 stipend and hotel accommodations. All interested officials must complete the registration process by noon on Friday, February 23, 2018. The application, along with other pertinent tournament information can be found on the tournament website at www.uww.edu/recsports.

To have a successful tournament, we need your assistance to spread the word to your intramural participants and at captain's meetings. Included with this letter are important items to help with the promotion of the event:

1. Tournament Information

2. Tournament Eligibility

3. Tournament Rules

4. Team Entry Forms

5. Officials Flyer

6. Officials Application Form

7. Tournament Poster

Thank you for your efforts to advertise and promote this tournament. We look forward to working with you and hope your teams are excited to join the fun in the 2018 State of Wisconsin Extramural Basketball Tournament. For more information, please contact me by phone at (262) 472-1145 or email me at FrielJ@uww.edu. All tournament information can be found online at www.uww.edu/recsports. Again, I thank you for your help and hope to hear from you soon!

Sincerely,

James Friel

Tournament Director, 2018 State of Wisconsin Extramural Basketball Tournament University of Wisconsin-Whitewater