

HINSDALE CENTRAL HOLIDAY CLASSIC

HC SQUARED: It's The Best Game In Town

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FIVE NEW TEAMS ADDDED TO HOLIDAY CLASSIC



The 2023 Hinsdale Central Holiday Classic will have a new feel in December as five new teams will join the event for the first time. Brother Rice, Lane Tech, Niles North, Plainfield East and Schaumburg will be making their first appearances in HC Squared history when the event tips off on December 27, 2023.

Brother Rice was the runner-up last year in the Chicago Catholic League Blue Division. The Crusaders won 27 of 31 regular season games in 2022-23. Head Coach Conte Stamas is no stranger to the Hinsdale hardwood, as he served as assistant coach for the hometown Red Devils from 2016-2022.

Lane Tech represents the Chicago Public League Red-West/North Division. The Champions return five of their top seven players, including scoring machine Shaheed Solebo, for Coach Nick LoGalbo.

Niles North was the champions of the Central Suburban North last year. The Vikings went 24-7 in the regular season and will return three players who earned All-Conference honors as sophomores playing on the varsity in Hunter Gawron, Yaris Irby and Reid Olson.

Plainfield East becomes the first team from the Southwest Prairie East to play in the Hinsdale Central Holiday Classic. Ehi Ogbomo was one of the leading scorers in the southwest suburbs last season.

Schaumburg will become the first Mid-Suburban League team in history to play in the HCHC. Jordan Tunis was named to the MSL's All-Conference Team as a sophomore. Coach Jason Tucker returns to the Hinsdale Classic after being an assistant coach at Stevenson in the 2021 and 2022 holiday editions.

The new teams will be part of a sixteen-team field that represents fifteen different conferences. The complete listing of the teams that will compete in the 2023 Hinsdale Central Holiday Classic include: Brother Rice, DePaul Prep, Hinsdale Central, Lane Tech, Lincoln-Way Central, Maine South, Marian Catholic, Morgan Park, Morton, Niles North, Oswego East, Plainfield East, Rockford Auburn, Schaumburg, Saint Charles East, and Stevenson.

The 2023 Hinsdale Central Holiday Classic will be played on four consecutive days, from December 27-30 in the Hinsdale Bank Gymnasium.

TOP PLAYERS TO PLAY AT HC SQUARED



Along with the deepest field of teams in tournament history, this year's Hinsdale Central Holiday Classic will boast some of the top individual talent of any tournament over the holidays. Some of the top players who will play at this year's event are featured on the HCHC Players to Watch page at: www.hcholidayclassic.com/2023-players.htm.

CHECK OUT THE HCHC WEBSITE

The improvements continue with the



Hinsdale Central Holiday Classic. The tournament website has a fresh new look with thousands of links to this year's event;

along with history, pictures, and statistics from the past; plus an improved navigation interface. You won't want to leave the site once you are there! Be sure to check it out today at: www.hcholidayclassic.com

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES NOW AVAILABLE



Here is your opportunity to be a sponsor at this year's Hinsdale Central Holiday Classic. Numerous sponsorship plans are available for the 2023 Holiday Classic including oncourt signage, halftime contests, game presentations, and website advertising. More information, including this vear's Sponsorship Opportunity Packet, can be found on the HC Squared tournament website at: www.hcholidavclassic.com/sponsorship.htm

HCHC ALUMNI NOW UPDATED ON TOURNEY WEBSITE

What ever happened to your favorite player from the first seven years at the Hinsdale Central Holiday Classic? The listing of nearly 100 former HCHC Alumni is quite impressive with players currently in the NBA, the NFL and at schools in the Big 10 and Big 12 Conferences. Check out where those players have continued their athletic careers on the ever-popular HC Squared Alumni page at:

www.hcholidayclassic.com/alumni.htm

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