



2026 State Basketball Tournament Mitchell March 28th-29th, 2026

Saturday March 28th, 2026:

Opening Ceremonies start at 8:30am. Mitchell High School: 920 N Capital St, Mitchell SD 57301.

- If you wish to participate in Opening Ceremonies, be at Mitchell High School by 8:00 am. All athletes riding the bus will participate in Opening Ceremonies.
- Staging is for Opening Ceremonies is in the back gym (West side) courts 8 and 9. Look for Fireworks banner.
- If you do not want to participate in Opening Ceremonies, be at your 1st game location, 15 min before scheduled game time.

Athletes (riding bus) 2026 State Basketball Tournament

- 6:00 am Buses arrive at Lowes (NW Corner of Parking Lot)
- 6:15 am Begin Load Bus
- Men's bus- Chaperone: Greg Carlson
 - Women's bus-Chaperone: Amy Hildebrand
- 6:30 am Buses Departs (No stops)
- 7:45 am Buses Arrives at Mitchell High School: 920 N Capital St Mitchell SD 57301. Drop off on West Side of building.
- 8:00 am Staging for Opening Ceremonies
- Athletes, Volunteers, and coaches meet in Staging Area 8:00 am: Back gym Courts 8 & 9- West end of MHS.
 - Get and stay with your team: *Coaches- you are responsible for ALL athletes on your team. You are responsible for getting them on the buses to your game locations.*
- 8:30 am Opening Ceremonies
- 9:05 am Begin loading Bus again-
- 9:30 am Bus #1 Departs -goes to DWU Campus for Wellness Center and CAC: Drop off between locations- 407 West Norway Ave- Whistlers, Parachutes, Snappers, Missiles, Pyrobombs and Rockets and then stays at DWU Campus
- Bus # 2 stays at Mitchell High School with Skills, Cheer, Tanks, M80's and Sparklers.
- 10:00 am Tournament Games Begin- all teams go to your 1st game location.
- 11:30-1 pm Lunch Provided at your location- your coach will decide when your team will eat. Pizza and Water
- 1:45 pm Bus #2 takes Tanks to DWU Wellness, drops off, and returns to MHS.
- Showers will be available at DWU before we go to dinner.
 - Please bring a towel, travel sized shampoo/conditioner/bodywash, deodorant, toothbrush/toothpaste, and a full change of clothes or whatever you are wearing to the dance, don't forget socks and underwear, bra, shoes.
- 4:45 pm Bus #2 takes M80's and Sparklers to DWU Wellness. Stay at DWU Wellness
- 5:00 pm Bus #1 &2 at DWU Wellness Center
- 5:15 pm Both Buses depart for Dinner (John Paul II Elementary School) :

- I HATE WINTER THEME (John Paul II Elementary School): Spaghetti, Meatballs, breadsticks, dessert, juice/water.

8:15 pm Both Buses load and return to Sioux Falls

9:30 pm Buses arrive at Lowe's.

Sunday March 29th, 2026:

7:00 am Buses arrive at Lowes (NW Corner of Parking Lot)

7:15 am Begin Load Bus

- Bus 1- Snappers, Missiles, Whistlers, Parachutes, Pyrobombs, Rockets: Chaperone- Amy Hildebrand
- Bus 2- Tanks, Sparklers, M80's: Chaperone: Greg Carlson

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8:30 am Buses Arrives at Mitchell

8:30 am Bus #1 drops off at DWU Wellness/CAC. Snappers, Missiles, Whistlers, Parachutes, Pyrobombs, Rockets. Stay at DWU Campus

8:30 am Bus #2 drops off at MHS-Tanks, Sparklers, M80's. Stay at MHS

9:00 am Games Begin

11:30-1 pm Lunch Provided at your location- your coach will decide when your team will eat. Sandwich, cheese stick, granola bar, chips, water.

AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED AT EACH LOCATION FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF DIVISIONS

1:15 pm? Bus #2 loads with MHS- After final awards-Tanks, Sparklers, M80's. Go to DWU Campus

2:15 pm Last Games begin.

4:30 pm (apprx)

Load buses from CAC after last games awards.

4:45 pm Buses depart for Sioux Falls NO MEAL PROVIDED (approx.- last game begins at 3:00pm, will leave once all teams have awards)

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- Sunday: Games start at 9:00 am, check your schedule and be at the location 15 min before the game.
- Don't forget your uniform! The Fireworks uniform is required to participate.
 - Basketball & Skills athletes: your uniform is the gold & black jersey with our Fireworks badge, the black shorts with our Fireworks badge & tennis shoes.
 - Water Bottle
 - Money for concessions, if available.
- This information will be posted on the Fireworks website.

If you have questions, please email fireworks@sosiouxfalls.org or call the Fireworks phone at 605-336-0240. This phone is answered by volunteers so if there is no answer, PLEASE leave a message and we will get back to you.

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DWU Avera Sports Complex: 407 West Norway Ave Mitchell SD 57301

Christen Athletic Center (DWU Campus): 1200 University Dr Mitchell SD 57301

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John Paul II Elementary School: 1510 W Elm St Mitchell SD 57301- dinner and dance location: *Dance Theme: I Hate Winter (grass skirts, shorts, Hawaiian Shirts, etc.)*

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