

INAUGURAL PENSACOLA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
PAROCHIAL SCHOOL TIP OFF CLASSIC
November 16, 17 & 18, 2023
Pensacola Catholic High School Gymnasium

TO: Pensacola Pre-Season Tip Off Tournament Coaches

FR: Coach Matt Hayes, PCAT Girls Basketball Head Coach

As all of you know, Coach Ferg, much to his disappointment, has taken an early retirement due to health issues. I ask all of you to remember Coach Ferg in prayer as he faces surgery in New Jersey on October 20th. Needless to say he is disappointed, but as his health allows will help me behind the scenes.

As you also have been made aware, he had to make some adjustments to the tournament due to the FHSAA not allowing teams from outside Florida to participate. As a result, he was forced to turn a 10 team format to 8.

We have revised the format in hopes that we can make each game competitive and give all the girls the opportunity to compete against an opponent that gives each team the opportunity to compete. Too often we have seen teams get blown out in a preseason event and we have worked hard to prevent that from happening.

The three day event will be played on November 16, 17 & 18. The schedule is located at the end of this letter. We have elected to pre-schedule the games in hopes of making each game competitive. If we need to make a change after the first game, it will be with the approval of all coaches involved in the change.

To make the event more like a traditional tournament, we will name an All-Tournament Team. Each team will have a member of the team named by their head coach. We will have a tournament MVP to be determined by all head coaches.

*Cost of Tournament is \$375.00, which will cover officials, shooter shirts for the girls and awards. Entry fee needs to be paid by November 1. I am certain that you all know officials are almost \$300 a game. We are designing shooter shirts that can be used after the tournament. They will not have Pensacola Catholic on the shirt. We are making them very generic. **PLEASE LET ME KNOW THE NUMBER AND SIZE OF THE SHIRTS YOU NEED. PLEASE USE MEN SIZES. MAKE SURE YOU INCLUDE COACHES. WE NEED THIS INFORMATION IMMEDIATELY.***

Tickets will be \$7.00 on Thursday and Friday and \$10.00 on Saturday. A three day ticket can be purchased for \$15.00. All tickets will be sold at the door.

A Hospitality Room will be available for Coaches on Saturday.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 404-441-0598. You can also reach out to Coach Ferg at 813-614-1558. Although he cannot coach, he will help me from behind the scenes.

If you have any questions, concerns or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me or Coach Ferg.