



Ohio High School Basketball Coaches Association

Jim Rucki, President District 8 - Findlay High School

Mike Kanney, Director District 8 - Coldwater High School

August 20, 2008

Dear Coaches:

Welcome to another exciting year of District 8 Basketball. My name is Jim Rucki and I am the varsity boys' basketball coach at Findlay High School and President of the District 8 Coaches Association.

Our first of four fall meetings will be on Wednesday, September 10th at 7:00 pm at the University of Northwestern Ohio gymnasium on Cable Road in Lima. Several topics will be introduced and Tricia Cullop of the University of Toledo will be our guest speaker. The major item of importance is our annual membership drive. All coaches are reminded of two major points regarding membership participation:

- 1)** In order to realize full voting privileges, all coaches **MUST** belong to both the OHSBCA and District 8 Association. **TWO forms and ONE check** made payable to District 8 Basketball Coaches Association must be returned by **October 10th** to *Jim Rucki @ Findlay High School, 1200 Broad Ave., Findlay, OH 45840*. The cost of dual membership is **\$23 per coach**, of which \$8 is district dues and \$15 is state association dues. Please take time to verify that a check for the total number of coaches, along with your forms, is sent to the above address by the due date.
- 2)** To maintain all voting privileges, the head coach or a member of his/her coaching staff **must** attend at **least two** of our four fall meetings. Boys and girls programs are separate entities and attendance by one program cannot be used to satisfy attendance requirements of the other.

As we prepare our ballots for the voting of post-season all-star games, coaches from the following teams are eligible for consideration based on their teams playing in at least the district finals:

Boys: Ottawa-Glandorf, St. Henry, Fort Recovery, New Knoxville, Kalida, Ottoville, and Van Buren.

Girls: Lima Bath, Celina, Riverdale, Columbus Grove, Leipsic, Kalida, Continental, Delphos St. John's, and Crestview.

***Please contact me immediately if your team has been omitted from this list inadvertently.

As you may recall, our district is divided into separate offices. We have a District 8 Director who will attend the OHSBCA state meetings as our representative and a District 8 President who will attend to the local district needs and assist the director as needed. The District 8 Director is Mike Kanney of Coldwater High School. Jeff Heistan has created a webpage for District 8 at www.limashawnee.com/highschool/athletics/district8/index.htm. This site includes all information that is both mailed and discussed at meetings. Please feel free to visit the site to offer any suggestions. We all look forward to another great year from District 8 and will see you on the 10th of September.

Sincerely,

Jim Rucki
Findlay H.S.
President District 8

DISTRICT 8 CALENDAR 2008 - 2009

- Sept. 10** District Meeting 7:00 PM University of Northwestern Ohio gymnasium. The guest speaker will be Tricia Cullop, women's coach at the University of Toledo, followed by our business meeting.
- Sept. 24** District Meeting 7:00PM University of Northwestern Ohio. Gene Cross, men's coach at the University of Toledo will be our guest clinician followed by our business meeting. *The University of Northwestern Ohio men's team will practice from approx. 5:00-7:00pm. All coaches are invited to attend this practice.*
- Sep. 28 –29** OHSBCA State Clinic @ Hyatt in downtown Columbus.
- Oct. 8** Rules Interpretation Meeting at Lima Bath H.S.
- Oct. 10** Final Date for District 8 and State Dues. Two forms and one check need to be sent to Jim Rucki, Findlay High School.
- Oct. 15** District Meeting 7:00 PM University of Northwestern Ohio. Bill Brown of Wittenberg will be our guest speaker followed by a business meeting. *The University of Northwestern Ohio men's team will practice from approx. 5:00-7:00pm. All coaches are invited to attend this practice.*
- Oct. 20** Rules Interpretation meeting at Defiance Ayersville H.S..
- Oct. 22** District Meeting 7:00 PM University of Northwestern Ohio. Anthony Gholson of Heidelberg College will be our guest clinician followed by our business meeting. *The University of Northwestern Ohio men's team will practice from approx. 5:00-7:00pm. All coaches are invited to attend this practice.*
- Oct. 27** Rules Interpretation meeting at Bowling Green H.S.
- Nov. 3** First Day of Girls practice
- Nov. 10** First Day of Boys practice
- Feb. 1** Girls Tournament Draw - 2:00 pm
- Feb. 8** Boys Tournament Draw - 2:00 pm and Voting Meeting :6:00 PM K of C in Delphos
- Mar. 19-21** Girls' State Tournament
- Mar. 22** District 8 Awards Banquet 5:00 PM @ Romers Hall, Celina
- Mar. 26-28** Boys' State Tournament
- April 1** Girls District 8 All Star Game @ Elida High School
- April 2** Boys District 8 All-Star Game @ Elida High School

District 8 Coaches Association Membership Form 2008 - 2009

Varsity Head Coach _____ Boys _____ Girls _____

School _____ Division _____

Years at School _____ Total Years as Head Coach _____ Overall Varsity Record _____

School Information

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

School Phone _____

Fax Number _____

E- Mail _____

Personal Information

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

e-Mail _____

Additional Memberships - Assistant Coaches

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| 1. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 10. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 11. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 12. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 13. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 14. _____ |

Total Dues: OHSBCA and Dist. 8 Dues - \$23 per coach

Total Coaches Enrolled _____

x \$23 per _____

Total Amount of check _____

Make Check payable to: District 8 Coaches Association

Mail to:

**Jim Rucki
Findlay High School
1200 Broad Ave.
Findlay, Ohio 45840**

DEADLINE OCTOBER 10th

SEND THE STATE FORM AND THE DISTRICT FORM AND ONE CHECK FOR YOUR ENTIRE COACHING STAFF.

DISTRICT 8 COACHES ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, September 10th, 2008
Meeting Agenda

7:00 PM Welcome – Jim Rucki, President District 8 Coaches Association
7:05 PM Guest Clinician: Coach Tricia Cullop, the University of Toledo
8:00 PM Business Meeting

ATTENTION

- *** For the sake of time, discussion will be limited to those items specified as action items. Please bring any concerns to the president or director before the next meeting.
- *** Be sure to register at each meeting to insure proper credit of attendance.
- *** If you have a **senior** son or daughter who is a player and you wish to apply for our local or state scholarship consideration, please see me for the application forms.
- *** If you received your first win last year and are entitled to your certificate, please see me if you do not have your certificate.
- *** Please note the **Membership deadline of October 10th**. Two forms (state and local) and one check needs to be sent to Jim Rucki at Findlay High School. All coaches must be members to realize full voting privileges.
- *** Century Awards for 100, 200 wins and Bob Arnzen Longevity Award will be presented at the District 8 Banquet...300, 400 and 500 plus wins along with State Championship Coaches rings will be presented at the fall clinic or the State Tournament.
- *** 2008-2009 Officers: Director is Mike Kanney for one more year –President is Jim Rucki and President-Elect is Keith Westrick. Don Burgess is our All Star Game Director. Dave Froelich is President of the State Coaches Association.

BUSINESS MEETING

1. Introduction of coaches in attendance.
2. Explanation of ballot.
3. Financial Report
4. Concerns to take to the state association meeting.
5. Next Meeting: Sept. 24th