

Tickets are now on sale for the Metro Sports Report Classic basketball event that will be held at Kirkwood Community College on Saturday, Nov. 30.

Tickets will be sold this week (Monday, Nov. 18 through Friday, Nov. 22) at Jefferson, Kennedy, Washington, Xavier, Marion and Prairie. Please contact the Activities Office at each school.

Tickets will be sold at Cedar Valley Christian this Friday, Nov. 22 during a school assembly at 2 p.m.

Tickets also will be sold at Prairie on Monday, Nov. 25 during the lunch period.

Tickets will be sold at Linn-Mar on Monday, Nov. 25 and Tuesday, Nov. 26.

In addition, tickets may be ordered directly by contacting Metro Sports Report president Jim Ecker at Jim.Ecker@MetroSportsReport.com.

This unique event will feature all of the boys basketball teams from all eight Metro schools in a series of Hall of Pride Challenge scrimmages.

There will be two doubleheaders at Johnson Hall on the Kirkwood Community College campus in southwest Cedar Rapids.

The first session will match Cedar Rapids Jefferson against Cedar Rapids Prairie at 11 a.m., followed by Linn-Mar against Marion at 1:15 p.m.

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The second session will feature Cedar Rapids Kennedy against Xavier at 5 p.m., following by Cedar Rapids Washington against Cedar Valley Christian at 7:15 p.m.

All four exhibition games will be regulation 32-minute contests with certified officials, as approved by the Iowa High School Athletic Association. The results will not count on a team's won-loss record nor count against its allotment of 21 regular-season games.

The Metro Sports Report Classic also will feature extracurricular groups and individuals from each of the eight schools, such as cheerleaders, poms, dancers and musicians. There will be fan contests and other activities at the event.

Tickets cost \$1 for students, \$3 for senior citizens (55 & over) and \$5 for the general public per session. All pre-kindergarten children will be admitted for free. Seating is limited at Johnson Hall, which can hold approximately 1,500 fans.

There will be an hour gap (approximately) between the end of the first session and when the doors re-open for the second session. Fans who attend the first session will need to purchase an additional ticket for the second session. The doors will open at 10 a.m. for the first session and at 4 p.m. for the second session.

Tickets also will be sold at Johnson Hall on the day of the event.

Fans will be asked to include \$1 for postage and handling if ordering in advance from the Metro Sports Report. For instance, fans who want to buy four \$5 tickets will be asked to pay a total of \$21. Please indicate which session you wish to attend.

All tickets will be for general admission.

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Play It Again Sports Cedar Rapids is the title sponsor for the Metro Sports Report Classic. The distinctive tickets for the MSR Classic feature an offer for a 20% discount on any one item at Play It Again Sports Cedar Rapids, which is located at 3657 1st Ave. SE.

The Cotton Gallery, Chick-fil-A and Athletic Republic/Mercy Medical Center are Silver Medal Sponsors. American Family Insurance-Kurt Gustafson, Thrive Spine & Sport, OB-GYN Associates and Thrivent Financial are Bronze Medal sponsors.

The Cedar Rapids Salvation Army is working with the Metro Sports Report on the MSR Classic and will be featured at the event.