

Lions, Cougars could collide in substate

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Linn-Mar and Kennedy boys basketball fans might want to circle Tuesday, March 3 on their calendar.

That's the day their teams might collide in the Class 4A substate finals, with a berth in the state tournament at stake.

The IHSAA announced the groupings for all the postseason tournaments Monday for Class 4A, 3A, 2A and 1A.

Linn-Mar and Kennedy were placed in the same substate with Cedar Falls, Marshalltown, Waterloo East and Waterloo West. The pairings will be announced next month, based on team results in Games 5 through 15.

Linn-Mar, Kennedy and Cedar Falls are the strongest teams in Substate 3 and will be seeded 1-2-3, based on their records after the 15th game. Linn-Mar has already defeated Kennedy (74-61) and Cedar Falls (81-45) and could have the inside track to the No. 1 seed. Kennedy can help itself with a victory at Cedar Falls Friday night.

Washington, Prairie and Jefferson were placed in Class 4A Substate 6 with Iowa City West, which is ranked No. 1 and seeking its fourth straight state title with another potent club.

The Xavier Saints and Marion Indians were placed in the same Class 3A district with Benton Community and Solon. The Saints and Indians could meet in the first round or second round of the district tournament, with a substate game to follow.

Cedar Valley Christian, which is winless this season, was placed in a Class 1A district with Belle Plaine, BGM, English Valleys, HLV, Iowa Mennonite, Iowa Valley, Montezuma and Tri-County.

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The Class 1A district tournament starts Feb. 16. The Class 3A district tournament and the Class 4A substate tournament begin Feb. 23. The state tournament is scheduled for March 9-14.

CLASS 4A GROUPINGS

SUBSTATE #1

Council Bluffs Abraham Lincoln, Council Bluffs Thomas Jefferson, Council Bluffs Lewis
Central,
x City East,
Sioux City North,
Sioux City West

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SUBSTATE #2

Ames, Des Moines, North, West Des Moines Dowling, Fort Dodge, Mason City, Urbandale

SUBSTATE #3

Cedar Falls, Kennedy, Linn-Mar, Marshalltown, Waterloo East Waterloo, West

SUBSTATE #4

Bettendorf, Davenport Central, Dubuque Hempstead, Dubuque Senior, North Scott, Western
Dubuque

SUBSTATE #5

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Clinton, Davenport North, Davenport West, Iowa City High, Muscatine, Pleasant Valley

SUBSTATE #6

Burlington, Jefferson, Washington, Iowa City West, Ottumwa, Prairie

SUBSTATE #7

Ankeny, Ankeny Centennial, Des Moines Hoove, Des Moines Lincoln, Newton, Southeast Polk

SUBSTATE #8

Des Moines East, Des Moines Roosevelt, Indianola, Johnston, West Des Moines Valley, Wauk
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CLASS 3A GROUPINGS

DISTRICT #1

Sioux City Heelan, LeMars, Sergeant Bluff-Luton, Storm Lake

DISTRICT #2

Algona, MOC-Floyd Valley, Spirit Lake, Spencer

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DISTRICT #3

Humboldt, Iowa Falls-Alden, Nevada, Webster City

DISTRICT #4

Charles City, Union, LaPorte City, Vinton-Shellsburg, Waverly-Shell Rock

DISTRICT #5

Crestwood, Cresco, Decorah, Oelwein, Waukon

DISTRICT #6

Center Point-Urbana, Independence, Wahlert, Dubuque, West Delaware

DISTRICT #7

Davenport Assumption, DeWitt Central, Maquoketa, Mount Vernon

DISTRICT #8

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Benton Community, Marion, Solon, Xavier

DISTRICT #9

Clear Creek-Amana, South Tama, Washington, Williamsburg

DISTRICT #10

Fairfield, Fort Madison, Keokuk, Mount Pleasant

DISTRICT #11

Centerville, Chariton, Oskaloosa, Pella

DISTRICT #12

Carlisle, Knoxville, Norwalk, Winterset

DISTRICT #13

Bondurant-Farrar, Dallas Center-Grimes, Grinnell, Saydel

DISTRICT #14

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Ballard, Boone, Gilbert, Perry

DISTRICT #15

ADM, Adel, Carroll, Denison-Schleswig, Greene County

DISTRICT #16

Atlantic, Creston, Glenwood, Harlan