The Xavier boys basketball team has been seeded No. 4 for the Class 3A state tournament next week and will face No. 5 seed Mount Pleasant in the opening round Tuesday at 3:45 p.m. in Des Moines.

Xavier defeated Mount Pleasant by 10 points, 55-45, in the season opener at Xavier Nov. 28.

If the Saints defeat Mount Pleasant, they would play No. 1 seed Waverly-Shell Rock or No. 8 seed Atlantic in the semifinals on Thursday, March 9 at 6:35 p.m. at Wells Fargo Arena.

The Saints lost at Waverly-Shell Rock by 22 points, 76-54, in the second game of the season Dec. 3.

Xavier is the defending state champion.

The other half of the Class 3A bracket features West Delaware against Dallas Center-Grimes and Pella against Sergeant Bluff-Luton.

The Kennedy Cougars are seeded No. 5 in the Class 4A state tournament and will meet No. 4 seed Dubuque Hempstead in the opening round on Wednesday at 2:45 p.m.

CLASS 3A STATE PAIRINGS
With Seedings

Tuesday, March 7

2 p.m. - No. 1 Waverly-Shell Rock (22-1) vs No. 8 Atlantic (19-5)

3:45 p.m. - No. 4 Xavier (13-11) vs No. 5 Mount Pleasant (22-2)
6:35 p.m. - No. 2 West Delaware (24-0) vs No. 7 Dallas Center-Grimes (15-9)
8:15 p.m. - No. 3 Pella (22-2) vs No. 6 Sergeant Bluff-Luton (15-9)

CLASS 4A STATE PAIRINGS
With Seedings

Wednesday, March 8

1:05 p.m. - No. 1 Iowa City West (20-3) vs No. 8 Newton (19-5)
2:45 p.m. - No. 4 Dubuque Hempstead (18-5) vs No. 5 Kennedy (18-5)
6:35 p.m. - No. 3 Bettendorf (18-5) vs No. 6 Sioux City East (21-2)
8:15 p.m. - No. 2 West Des Moines Valley (19-4) vs Des Moines North (18-5)