



2019 GENERAL INFORMATION FOR TEAMS

GAME SITES

All 2019 games will be played at the Mayo Civic Center (MCC) on Friday, December 27 and Saturday, December 28. Brackets are available via links online [here](#).

BUS PARKING

Bus parking will be provided only to those teams who indicate a need when solicited prior to the event. Please check in at the Team/Volunteer Check-In to receive directions for bus parking and the event pass for your bus driver. **If you do not indicate a need for bus parking, it will be your responsibility to find and pay for your own parking.** For teams staying in a downtown hotel, there may be no need for buses during the event, as teams can access MCC via skyway and hotel shuttles.

OTHER PARKING

Parking is free in downtown parking ramps after 5 pm. A map of parking options can be found online on our website at <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/5636/SitePage/rotary-holiday-classic> or at <http://www.rochestermn.gov/departments/public-parking>.

EVENT PASSES

Each team will receive 26 complimentary passes: 18 for players and 8 for your coaches, managers, your AD, other school officials, etc. If your team needs additional passes, you will be responsible for purchasing them upon arrival. **All passes must be permanently signed by each recipient (a sharpie is suggested), worn on the provided lanyard, and presented at the gate at each entrance to the Holiday Classic.** If a pass holder forgets his or her pass, including participating athletes and coaches, they will not be allowed entrance to the event.

Event passes will be provided to teams (including Rochester teams) at the Team/Volunteer Check-in upon arrival at the tournament. **Participants/attendees arriving separately from the team and using your passes must check in at the team/volunteer check in upon first arrival at the Classic to receive their complimentary passes.** If someone with your team purchases a pass and later a complimentary pass is given to them, no refund will be issued.

HOTEL CHECK OUT TIME

Five complimentary hotel rooms are offered by Rotary to participating teams traveling more than 50 miles one way to the Classic. Check out time is 11 am. Hotel room extensions will not be paid by Rotary, even if you are scheduled to play a later game on day two. **Teams playing later in the day may store their luggage in a locked room at MCC until you depart.** To do this, please stop at the Team/Volunteer Check-In and speak with a volunteer. If you choose to forgo locked storage, your team will be responsible for your items.

ADMISSION PRICES

Daily pass prices for all games will be \$15/adult and \$5/student. A two-day event pass for all games will be \$25/adult and \$10/student. Passes may be purchased with cash only. **The Holiday Classic is a fundraiser, and all net proceeds from ticket sales are distributed as grants to local youth and education-related nonprofit programs.** Prices are in line with MSHSL's suggested quarterfinal, semifinal, and final basketball game prices, and our passes allow attendees the opportunity to view multiple basketball games. We thank you for your support of this fundraising event and youth in our community!

LOCKER ROOMS

Locker rooms are assigned. Your school name will be posted on the outside of your locker room door. **Please keep in mind, locker rooms are limited, so access to locker rooms prior to your game will be at the discretion of each site manager.** Every effort is made to keep the locker rooms secure, but we ask that coaches or team managers keep players' valuables in their possession or they be taken courtside in your own small bags. Due to the size of our event and the fact that Mayo Civic Center is a multi-use facility, there are no showers in the Exhibit Hall. Please have your team plan ahead accordingly if you may play in the Exhibit Hall.

UNIFORMS

The team listed on top of each bracket should wear dark uniforms and will be the home team on the scoreboard.

WARM UP

There will be 20 minutes of uninterrupted warm up time for all teams. **Warm up basketballs will not be furnished by Rotary; each team should bring their own balls.** If you play the first game in the second session, your warm-up starts 25 minutes before the game. The players will leave the floor 5 minutes before game time. The teams will return to the court when the horn is blown, the National Anthem will be played (only prior to the first game of each session), and the teams will be introduced.

GAME BALLS

We are requesting that the home team (top of bracket) provide a game ball, agreeable to both coaches, for each game. Please give the ball to the officials at game time.

WATER BOTTLES

Participants are asked to provide their own water bottles; no water bottles will be provided by Rotary. Teams will have access to water to fill their bottles during the event.

TRAINERS

We will have Mayo Clinic Sports Medicine trainers at MCC during the event. **These trainers are not required to do any pre-game taping.**

HOLIDAY CLASSIC MEDIA SITES

The Holiday Classic website can be found via a link online at <http://www.rochesterrotaryclubs.org/> or directly at <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/5636/SitePage/rotary-holiday-classic>. Scores will be reported on Facebook at "Rotary US Bank Holiday Classic," on Twitter @MNHolidayBBall, and on the Exposure App at "2019 Rochester Rotary Holiday Classic." Scores will be added to the brackets on the website and posted after the event.

SNOW CONTINGENCY PLAN

We do have a plan in place if a snow storm occurs. The Rotary email address is romnrotary@gmail.com and can be used as an emergency contact.

We are looking forward to seeing you in December!

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2019 Rotary Holiday Classic Co-Chairs