



2021 GENERAL INFORMATION FOR TEAMS

GAME SITES

All 2021 games will be played at the Mayo Civic Center (MCC) on Tuesday, December 28 and Wednesday, December 29. Games schedules are attached and are also available online at <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/5636/SitePage/rotary-holiday-classic>.

BUS PARKING

Bus parking will be provided only to those teams who let us know before the event that bus parking is needed. If needed, please request bus parking before the event by emailing tamsenl@fmcommunity.com.

If you request bus parking ahead of time, upon arrival at MCC, please check in at the Team/Volunteer Check-In to receive directions for bus parking and the event pass for your bus driver. Short-term bus parking is available in the parking lot at 1026 E Center St, Rochester, MN 55904. Please see Bus Parking attachment for directions.

Busses cannot park outside the Mayo Civic Center, except when loading and unloading.

If you did 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 hotel, there may be no need for buses during the event, as most hotels will provide a shuttle.

OTHER PARKING

Parking is free in downtown parking ramps after 5 pm. A map of parking options can be found online at <https://www.rochestermn.gov/government/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 out of town teams at the Team/Volunteer Check-in upon arrival at the tournament. Rochester teams will have their packets delivered to their athletic/activities office prior to the event. **Participants/attendees arriving separately from the team and using your passes must also 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 INFORMATION

Five complimentary hotel rooms were 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.

Below are the hotel team assignments with contact information. The hotel's management has also been provided your team's contact information and a schedule of games. Please coordinate booking your rooms with the hotel contacts listed below. Additional rooms for family and friends may be available.

Centerstone Plaza, 401 6th St SW, Rochester, MN, 55902, contact is Kristine Ihrke, 507.292.7337, kihrke@soldiersfield.com

- New Richmond (2 teams)
- Bloomington Jefferson
- Bloomington Kennedy (2 teams)

Home2 Suites by Hilton, 831 16th St SW, Rochester, MN 55902, contacts are Andy Thilges and Matthew Schimek, 507.361.4208, andy.thilges@hilton.com

- St. Croix Prep
- St. Croix Central
- Minneapolis Henry
- White Bear Lake
- Totino Grace

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. **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.

UNIFORMS

The team listed as the home team on the schedule 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 afternoon or evening 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, as listed on the schedule, provide a game ball, agreeable to both coaches, for each game. Please give the ball to the officials at game time.

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 online <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/5636/SitePage/rotary-holiday-classic>. Every effort will be made to keep scores current on the website, Rotary Holiday Classic Facebook page, and on Twitter @MNHolidayBBall. Final scores will be posted to the website and the Holiday Classic Facebook page following the event.

PRESENTED BY SPONSOR

Mayo Clinic Orthopedics and Sports Medicine is our presented by sponsor. Their website, [Mayo Clinic Orthopedics and Sports Medicine](#), is a great resource for information! Periodic emails of relevant Mayo Clinic Sports Medicine content will be emailed to the schools. *Please forward these to parent and players so they can benefit from the helpful information.* The more clicks and engagement we get with their website, the better!

APPAREL STORE

We are partnering with Full Court Custom Apparel to offer an apparel store for this year's event. All sales are placed online <https://full-court-rotary-holiday-classic-2021.spiritsale.com/>

The apparel store is open now, and will close on Monday, November 29. Items will be shipped directly to you, hopefully in time to wear the items to the event! Any questions regarding the store can be sent to support@fullcourtcustomapparel.com.

Full Court Custom Apparel is generously donating 10% of proceeds back to the Holiday Classic.

COVID-19

We will follow all MSHSL guidelines, as well as we will follow the City of Rochester and Mayo Civic Center guidelines. As we come closer to the event, any guidelines more restrictive than the MSHSL guidelines will be communicated to the teams.

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!

Tamsen Leimer & Jon Losness
2021 Rotary Holiday Classic Co-Chairs