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## Girls Basketball State Finals changed to Friday-Saturday format

Bankers Life Fieldhouse to host one game Friday evening, three on Saturday

Commissioner Paul Neidig announced today that this year's IHSAA Girls Basketball State Finals will be played over two days later this month to ensure an even safer environment for teams and the limited number of spectators in attendance.

The four state championship games that will conclude the 46th girls state tournament at Bankers Life Fieldhouse will be played with one game on Friday, February 26 with three more games on Saturday, February 27.

Game times are listed below with game assignments to be announced Sunday, Feb. 21, following the semistate round. In previous years, all four games were played in one day.

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Life Fieldhouse, who always want to help provide a memorable experience for our girls basketball state finals," Neidig said. "Given the pandemic, more time was needed in between games for the facility to be thoroughly cleaned and prepared for the participants and spectators so a Friday evening game was suggested as the best way to accomplish that goal."

Assistant Commissioner Sandra Walter, who administers the girls basketball tournament, added, "We're grateful to Mel Raines (Executive Vice President) and her staff at Bankers Life Fieldhouse who have gone above and beyond for the young ladies competing for a state title this month."

If any adjustments are to be made to the boys basketball state finals scheduled for Saturday, April 3, those will be announced at a later date.

IHSAA Girls Basketball State Finals Bankers Life Fieldhouse, Indianapolis

Friday, Feb. 26 Class TBA | 7 pm ET / 6 pm CT

Saturday, Feb. 27
Class TBA | 11 am ET / 10 am CT
Class TBA | 3:30 pm ET / 2:30 pm CT
Class TBA | 8 pm ET / 7 pm CT

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## About the Indiana High School Athletic Association, Inc. (IHSAA)

The IHSAA is a voluntary, not-for-profit organization that is self-supporting without the use of tax monies. Since its founding in 1903, the Association's mission has been to provide wholesome, educational athletics for the secondary schools of Indiana. Its 410 member high schools - public, institutional, parochial and private – pay no annual membership fee or incur entry fees to play in the Association's tournaments. A state tournament series is conducted annually in 22 sports, 10 for girls, 10 for boys and two co-ed (unified flag football and unified track and field). A 19-person board of directors, elected by member school principals, governs the organization.