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<u>9th Grade Girls</u> <u>(Last Season's 8th Grade)</u> <u>166 Total Teams</u>	<u>8th Grade Girls</u> <u>(Last Season's 7th Grade)</u> <u>155 Total Teams</u>	<u>7th Grade Girls</u> <u>(Last Season's 6th Grade)</u> <u>141 Total Teams</u>	<u>6th Grade Girls</u> <u>(Last Season's 5th Grade)</u> <u>123 Total Teams</u>
1. Osseo-Fairchild	1. Eau Claire Volunteers Blue	1. Eau Claire Swish	1. Eau Claire Purple Reign
2. Barron Gold	2. Somerset Black	2. La Crosse Hoopfest	2. White Bear Lake
3. Menomonie Blue	3. Mondovi Eliminators	3. Eau Claire Volunteers Blue	3. Eau Claire Gems
4. River Falls	4. Ashland	4. Menomonie	4. Eau Claire Fusion
5. Medford Red	5. Prentice	5. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Flight Red	5. Holmen Magic
6. Wausau West Blue	6. Hayward	6. Hudson White	6. La Crosse Hoopfest
7. Amery	7. Menomonie	7. Somerset Black	7. Hayward
8. Fall Creek	8. Altoona Lady Rails	8. Richland Center	8. Duluth East
9. Columbus	9. Colfax	9. Hurley	9. Eau Claire Volunteers Blue
10. Hayward	10. Richland Center	10. Superior	10. Hudson White
11. Newman Catholic	11. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Flight Red	11. Rice Lake St. Joseph	11. Medford White
12. Assumption	12. Wisconsin Rapids Lincoln	12. Durand	12. Brookwood
13. Amherst	13. Merrill Blue	13. Barron Bears	13. Northland Pines
14. Eau Claire Volunteers Blue	14. Stillwater Red	14. Lake Holcombe	14. Somerset Black
15. Wisconsin Rapids Red	15. Columbus	15. River Falls Gold	15. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Flight Red
16. Altoona Lady Rails	16. Barron	16. Hayward	16. Barron
17. Hudson White	17. Auburndale	17. Eau Claire Fire	17. Northwood
18. Somerset Red	18. Amery	18. Stillwater Red	18. Ladysmith
19. Marshfield Black	19. Wausau West Blue	19. Baraboo Blue	19. Medford Red
20. Colfax	20. Marshfield	20. Bloomer	20. Altoona Lady Rails
21. Poplar Gold	21. Osceola	21. Medford Red	21. Menomonie
22. Phillips	22. La Crosse Central Black	22. Amery Black	22. Owen-Withee
23. Eau Claire Lavender Lightning	23. Osseo-Fairchild	23. Chetek	23. Eau Claire Cheetahs
24. Stillwater Red	24. D. C. Everest Green	24. D. C. Everest Green	24. Osseo-Fairchild
25. Reedsburg Rebels	25. Royall	25. Altoona	25. Westby
26. Stevens Point	26. Northland Pines	26. Boyceville	26. St. Croix Falls
27. La Crescent Green	27. Goodhue	27. Colfax	27. Colfax
28. Dover-Eyota	28. Duluth East	28. Westby	28. Stevens Point
29. Holmen Heat	29. La Crescent Green	29. Antigo	29. Wittenberg-Birnamwood
30. Weyauwega-Fremont	30. Baraboo	30. La Crescent	30. Merrill Blue
31. Ashland	31. Rice Lake Blue	31. D. C. Everest White	31. Cambridge-Isanti
32. Baraboo	32. Onalaska Suns	32. Prescott	32. Eau Claire Flash

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<u>9th Grade Boys</u> <u>(Last Season's 8th Grade)</u> <u>168 Total Teams</u>	<u>8th Grade Boys</u> <u>(Last Season's 7th Grade)</u> <u>156 Total Teams</u>	<u>7th Grade Boys</u> <u>(Last Season's 6th Grade)</u> <u>142 Total Teams</u>	<u>6th Grade Boys</u> <u>(Last Season's 5th Grade)</u> <u>138 Total Teams</u>
1. Stoughton	1. Stillwater Red	1. Onalaska Royals Blue	1. Onalaska Royals
2. Wausau West	2. Merrill	2. White Bear Lake Orange	2. Hudson White
3. Superior	3. White Bear Lake Orange	3. Hudson White	3. Barron Golden Bears
4. Chippewa Falls MAXX	4. Thorp	4. Baldwin-Woodville	4. Wausau West Blue
5. White Bear Lake Orange	5. Eau Claire Eagles Purple	5. Poplar Black	5. White Bear Lake Orange
6. Poplar Black	6. Winona YMCA	6. D. C. Everest Green	6. Medford
7. La Crosse Central Red	7. Superior Stallions	7. Eau Claire Swish	7. D. C. Everest Green
8. Eau Claire Tigers	8. Stillwater White	8. La Crosse Central Red	8. Gale-Ettrick-Trempealeau
9. River Falls Wildcats	9. Blair-Taylor	9. Prentice	9. Holmen Heat
10. Hudson White	10. Holmen Vikings	10. Plum City	10. Duluth East
11. Fall Creek	11. New Richmond Black	11. Stevens Point Red	11. Altoona Red
12. Stillwater White	12. Baldwin-Woodville	12. Antigo	12. Stillwater Red
13. Stillwater Red	13. Marshfield Titans	13. Osseo-Fairchild	13. Menomonie
14. Whitehall	14. Goodhue	14. Wisconsin Rapids	14. Clayton
15. Bloomer Orange	15. Wisconsin Rapids Red	15. Holmen Force	15. Somerset
16. Stanley-Boyd	16. Reedsburg	16. Baraboo Blue	16. Stillwater White
17. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Hoops	17. Wausau West	17. Menomonie	17. La Crosse Central Red
18. Durand	18. River Falls St. Croix Eagles	18. Spooner Red	18. Columbus
19. Osseo-Fairchild	19. Antigo	19. Bangor	19. Wisconsin Rapids
20. Washburn	20. Westby	20. Blair-Taylor	20. Prentice
21. Hayward	21. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Hoops Red	21. Siren	21. Elk Mound Black
22. Marshfield Tigers	22. Mondovi Magic	22. Stillwater White	22. Eleva-Strum
23. Lakeland	23. Hudson White	23. Stillwater Red	23. Royall
24. Westby	24. Eau Claire Rebels	24. Ellsworth Purple	24. Chippewa Falls MAXX (CACS)
25. Winona YMCA	25. Saint Croix Central	25. Hurley	25. Poplar Black
26. Newman Catholic	26. La Crosse Central Red	26. Wausau West	26. Arcadia
27. Antigo	27. Stanley-Boyd	27. Eau Claire YMCA North	27. Zumbrota-Mazeppa
28. Arcadia	28. Osseo-Fairchild	28. Altoona Black	28. Westby
29. Tomah Gold	29. Colfax	29. Duluth East	29. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Hoops
30. Ashland	30. Duluth East Red	30. Boyceville	30. Eau Claire Rebels
31. Sparta Red	31. Alma-Gilmanton	31. Cambridge-Isanti	31. Chisago Lakes
32. Hurley	32. Superior Spartans	32. Chippewa Falls MAXX	32. Eau Claire Storm