Listed below are the top rated teams that competed in the 2004-2005 Great Northwest season. We list 32 teams each for grades 6, 7 and 8 for purposes of determining who will be invited to the League Championship Tournament (LCT); however, we list only a top 25 for 9th grade teams since there is no LCT for 9th grade. These ratings are a by-product of the power rating system. Our ratings work on a formula basis, much like college basketball's RPI or college football's Bowl Coalition rating system. You will note that many teams are rated ahead of one or more teams to which they lost during the course of the season. It is consistency during the season that determines the final ratings, even though late season play is weighted more heavily than early season play. Teams that dropped in the rankings from the season before shouldn't necessarily feel that they have regressed. At each grade level, we added several teams for the 2004-2005 season. Many of these teams were rated at the B+ level or higher, making it more difficult to make the top 32. Also note that teams playing "up" a grade level are not included in the rankings. For example, a 6th grade "A" team playing in some 6th and some 7th grade meets, is ranked only with the 6th grade teams. Note also Paragraph B-11 in your 2004-2005 rule book: "Teams that fail to play at least three meets during the 2004-2005 season, or who declined to play in the most recent LCT and offer no legitimate excuse for doing so, will not be included in this season's year-end rankings of top 32 teams at each grade level." There are at least three or four teams at each grade level that would otherwise have been ranked below, but are not, because of Rule B-11. We have, however, made exceptions for teams that played in less than three meets last season but have committed that they will play a minimum five meet schedule (four meets, plus the LCT) during the 2005-2006 season. Since this top 32 ranking exists solely for the purpose of determining which teams will be invited to the Le

9th Grade Girls (Last Season's 8th Grade) 163 Total Teams

- 1. Barron Lady Bears
- 2. Columbus
- 3. Eau Claire Volunteers Blue
- 4. Osceola O-Town
- 5. Mondovi Eliminators
- 6. Altoona Lady Rails
- 7. Neillsville
- 8. Wausau West Blue
- 9. Assumption-Pittsville
- 10. Marshfield Blue
- 11. Sun Prairie
- 12. Somerset Black
- 13. Wisconsin Rapids White
- 14. Colfax Black
- 15. Osseo-Fairchild
- 16. Durand Diamondbacks
- 17. Antigo
- 18. Eau Claire Lavender Lightning
- 19. Eau Claire Spirit
- 20. Reedsburg
- 21. Prescott Red
- 22. Stevens Point Red
- 23. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Flight Red
- 24. Amherst
- 25. Merrill Blue

8th Grade Girls (Last Season's 7th Grade) 160 Total Teams

- 1. Osseo-Fairchild
- 2. Menomonie Blue
- 3. Barron Gold
- 4. Phillips
- Somerset Black
- 6. Fall Creek
- 7. Poplar Gold
- 8. Osceola Green
- 9. Assumption Royals
- 10. Hayward
- 11. River Falls Gold
- 12. Eau Claire Volunteers Blue
- 13. Medford Red
- 14. Wausau West Blue
- 15. Columbus
- 16. Newman Catholic
- 17. Amery Red
- 18. Amherst
- 19. Stillwater Red
- 20. Wisconsin Rapids Red
- 21. Eau Claire Lavender Lightning
- 22. Park Falls
- 23. Hudson White
- 24. Colfax Black
- 25. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Flight Red
- 26. La Crescent Green
- 27. Altoona Lady Rails
- 28. Holmen Heat
- 29. Weyauwega-Fremont
- 30. Reedsburg
- 31. Wittenberg-Birnamwood
- 32. Weston

7th Grade Girls (Last Season's 6th Grade) 145 Total Teams

- 1. Verona
- 2. White Bear Lake Orange
- 3. Fall Creek
- 4. Somerset Black
- 5. Eau Claire Volunteers Blue
- 6. Menomonie Blue
- 7. Mondovi Eliminators
- 8. Colfax Black
- 9. Stillwater Red
- 10. Hayward
- 11. Grand Rapids
- 12. Merrill Blue
- 13. Prentice
- 14. Ashland
- 15. D. C. Everest Green
- 16. Barron
- 17. Wausau West Blue
- 18. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Flight Red
- 19. Altoona Lady Rails
- 20. Hudson White
- 21. Eau Claire YMCA Purple
- 22. Columbus
- 23. La Crosse Hoopfest
- 24. La Crescent
- 25. Duluth East
- 26. Westby
- 27. Marshfield
- 28. Wisconsin Rapids
- 29. Newman Catholic
- 30. Osseo-Fairchild
- 31. Amery
- 32. Rice Lake Blue

6th Grade Girls (Last Season's 5th Grade) 138 Total Teams

- 1. Eau Claire Swish
- 2. Superior
- 3. Royall
- 4. Reedsburg
- 5. La Crosse Hoopfest
- 6. White Bear Lake Orange
- 7. Hudson White
- 8. Menomonie
- 9. Somerset Black
- 10. Stillwater Red
- 11. Hayward Gold
- 12. Duluth East
- 13 Bloomer
- 14. Red Wing
- 15. Bovceville
- 16. Amery Black
- 17. Rice Lake Gold
- 18. Baraboo
- 19. La Crescent
- 20. Eau Claire Volunteers Blue
- 21. D. C. Everest Green
- 22. Colfax Black
- 23. Chetek
- 24. Rice Lake St. Joseph
- 25. Medford
- 26. Park Falls
- 27. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Flight Red
- 28. Barron
- 29. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Flight White
- 30. Eau Claire YMCA Fire
- 31. Altoona
- 32. Merrill Blue

Listed below are the top rated teams that competed in the 2004-2005 Great Northwest season. We list 32 teams each for grades 6, 7 and 8 for purposes of determining who will be invited to the League Championship Tournament (LCT); however, we list only a top 25 for 9th grade teams since there is no LCT for 9th grade. These ratings are a by-product of the power rating system. Our ratings work on a formula basis, much like college basketball's RPI or college football's Bowl Coalition rating system. You will note that many teams are rated ahead of one or more teams to which they lost during the course of the season. It is consistency during the season that determines the final ratings, even though late season play is weighted more heavily than early season play. Teams that dropped in the rankings from the season before shouldn't necessarily feel that they have regressed. At each grade level, we added several teams for the 2004-2005 season. Many of these teams were rated at the B+ level or higher, making it more difficult to make the top 32. Also note that teams playing "up" a grade level are not included in the rankings. For example, a 6th grade "A" team playing in some 6th and some 7th grade meets, is ranked only with the 6th grade teams. Note also Paragraph B-11 in your 2004-2005 rule book: "Teams that fail to play at least three meets during the 2004-2005 season, or who declined to play in the most recent LCT and offer no legitimate excuse for doing so, will not be included in this season's year-end rankings of top 32 teams at each grade level." There are at least three or four teams at each grade level that would otherwise have been ranked below, but are not, because of Rule B-11. We have, however, made exceptions for teams that played in less than three meets last season but have committed that they will play a minimum five meet schedule (four meets, plus the LCT) during the 2005-2006 season. Since this top 32 ranking exists solely for the purpose of determining which teams will be invited to the Le

9th Grade Boys (<u>Last Season's 8th Grade</u>) 158 Total Teams

- 1. Hudson White
- 2. Janesville Craig
- 3. Eau Claire Rebels
- 4. Colby
- 5. Wausau West Gold
- 6. Chippewa Falls Red
- 7. Duluth East Red
- 8. Reedsburg Blue
- 9. Altoona Black
- 10. Osseo-Fairchild
- 11. Pacelli
- 12. Eleva-Strum
- 13. Rib Lake
- 14. Baraboo Gold
- 15. Stevens Point Red
- 16. Rice Lake
- 17. Stratford
- 18. La Crosse Central Red
- 19. Amherst
- 20. Holmen Maroon
- 21. Marshfield
- 22. Three Lakes
- 23. Lakeland Black
- 24. Eau Claire Basketeers
- 25. Superior

8th Grade Boys (Last Season's 7th Grade) 153 Total Teams

- 1. Stoughton
- 2. Wausau West
- 3. Superior
- 4. Poplar Black
- 5. Eau Claire Tigers
- 6. White Bear Lake Orange
- 7. La Crosse Central Red
- 8. Fall Creek
- 9. Chippewa Falls MAXX Blue
- 10. Hudson White
- 11. Chetek Dawgs
- 12. Hayward
- 13. Holmen Heroes
- 14. Stillwater White
- 15. D. C. Everest
- 16. Stanley-Boyd
- 17. Osseo-Fairchild
- 18. Osceola Black
- 19. Westby
- 20. Bloomer Orange
- 21. New Richmond Black
- 22. Whitehall
- 23. Arcadia
- 24. Durand
- 25. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Hoops
- 26. Stillwater Red
- 27. Marshfield Tigers
- 28. Ashland
- 29. Edgar
- 30. St. Croix Central
- 31. River Falls Wildcats
- 32. Lakeland

7th Grade Boys (Last Season's 6th Grade) 162 Total Teams

- 1. White Bear Lake Black
- 2. Zumbrota-Mazeppa
- 3. Cambridge-Isanti Blue
- 4. McFarland
- 5. Merrill
- 6. Marathon
- 7. Goodhue
- 8. Stillwater White
- 9. Holmen Vikings
- 10. Stillwater Red
- 11. Eau Claire Rebels
- 12. La Crosse Central Red
- 13. D. C. Everest White
- 14. New Richmond Black
- 15. Thorp
- 16. Stanley-Boyd
- 17. Superior
- 18. Blair-Taylor
- 19. Eau Claire Eagles
- 20. Osseo-Fairchild
- 20. Ossco-ranciniu
- 21. Eau Claire Mavericks
- 22. Wausau West
- 23. Westby
- 24. River Falls St. Croix Eagles
- 25. La Crescent Green
- 26. Mondovi Magic
- 27. St. Croix Central
- 28. Grantsburg
- 29. Ladysmith
- 30. Hudson White
- 31. Altoona
- 32. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Flight Red

6th Grade Boys (Last Season's 5th Grade) 130 Total Teams

- 1. Hudson White
- 2. Onalaska Rovals Blue
- 3. Prentice
- 4. D. C. Everest Green
- 5. Poplar
- 6. White Bear Lake
- 7. Eau Claire Swish
- 8. La Crosse Central Red
- 9. Stevens Point Red
- 10. Holmen Force
- 11. Wisconsin Rapids
- 12. Antigo
- 13. Blair-Taylor
- 14. Plum City
- 15. Siren
- 16. Esko
- 17. Cambridge-Isanti Blue
- 18. Stillwater White
- 19. Osceola Black
- 20. Stillwater Red
- 21. Wausau West
- 22. Wausau East
- 23. Eau Claire YMCA (North)
- 24. Osseo-Fairchild
- 25. Menomonie
- 26. Alma Center
- 27. Eau Claire YMCA (Memorial)
- 28. Bloomer St. Paul Blue
- 29. Chippewa Falls Cardinal Hoops Gold
- 30. Stanley-Boyd
- 31. Altoona Black
- 32. Chippewa Falls MAXX