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BOYS TOP 25

<u>9th Grade</u> <u>(Last Season's 8th Grade)</u> <u>138 Total Teams</u>	<u>8th Grade</u> <u>(Last Season's 7th Grade)</u> <u>136 Total Teams</u>	<u>7th Grade</u> <u>(Last Season's 6th Grade)</u> <u>139 Total Teams</u>	<u>6th Grade</u> <u>(Last Season's 5th Grade)</u> <u>118 Total Teams</u>
1) Rhinelander 2) Wisconsin Rapids White 3) Eau Claire Hoops 4) Augusta 5) Marshfield Columbus Blue 6) Eau Claire Swish 7) Altoona Red 8) Abbotsford 9) Wausau West 10) Antigo 11) Superior 12) Eau Claire Storm 13) Hudson White 14) Chippewa Falls MAXX 15) New Richmond 16) Washburn 17) D.C. Everest 18) Lakeland Black 19) Ashland 20) Holmen Junior Vikings 21) Duluth East Grey 22) La Crescent Green 23) Poplar 24) Fall Creek 25) Winona YMCA	1) Arcadia 2) Esko 3) Durand 4) White Bear Lake Orange 5) La Crescent Green 6) Maranatha Academy 7) Wausau East 8) Eleva-Strum 9) Marathon 10) River Valley 11) Reedsburg 12) Ellsworth White 13) Tomah Gold 14) Bloomer 15) St. Croix Central 16) Chetek 17) Prentice 18) Merrill Blue 19) Stevens Point Pacelli Bulls 20) Medford 21) Clayton 22) North Branch 23) Spooner 24) Barron 25) Adams-Friendship	1) Eau Claire Rebels 2) Stevens Point Pacelli Hoyas 3) Hudson White 4) Wausau West 5) White Bear Lake Orange 6) D.C. Everest 7) Chippewa Falls Red 8) Wausau East 9) Osseo-Fairchild 10) Baraboo 11) Reedsburg 12) Eleva-Strum 13) Red Wing Rockets 14) Altoona Black 15) La Crosse Central Red 16) Assumption 17) Mauston 18) Winona YMCA 19) Bloomer Orange 20) Plum City 21) Rib Lake 22) Poplar 23) Durand 24) Cambridge-Isanti 25) Superior	1) Eau Claire Tigers 2) Winona YMCA 3) Osseo-Fairchild 4) Wausau West 5) Chippewa Falls MAXX 6) Westby 7) Hayward 8) Holmen Heroes 9) Stillwater White 10) Stillwater Red 11) Antigo 12) La Crosse Central 13) Poplar Black 14) Hudson White 15) Stanley-Boyd 16) Blair-Taylor 17) Wausau Newman 18) Onalaska 19) Bloomer Orange 20) Ladysmith 21) Reedsburg 22) Holmen Hot Shots 23) Ashland 24) Cambridge-Isanti 25) Chippewa Falls

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GIRLS TOP 25

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1) Merrill Lady Jays Blue 2) Forest Lake 3) Boyceville 4) Eau Claire Volunteers Blue 5) Hudson White 6) D.C. Everest Green 7) Reedsburg 8) Ashland 9) Colfax 10) St. Croix Central 11) Prescott 12) Assumption 13) Antigo 14) Marshfield 15) Eau Claire Shooting Stars 16) Rib Lake 17) Stevens Point Red 18) Stillwater Red 19) Eau Claire Angles 20) Chetek 21) Amery Red 22) Hurley-Bessemer 23) Duluth East Red 24) Esko 25) Lakeland	1) Tomah 2) Hudson White 3) Somerset 4) Altoona Lady Rails 5) Eau Claire Volunteers Blue 6) Stillwater Red 7) Rice Lake Gold 8) Wisconsin Rapids Red 9) Ashland 10) La Crosse Central Hoopfest 11) Chippewa Falls Red 12) Colfax 13) Osseo-Fairchild 14) Ladysmith 15) Park Falls 16) D.C. Everest Green 17) Eau Claire Shooting Starz 18) St. Croix Central Blue 19) Stanley-Boyd 20) Merrill 21) D.C. Everest White 22) Poplar Black 23) Eau Claire Ice 24) Winona YMCA 25) Reedsburg	1) Barron Lady Bears 2) Altoona Lady Rails 3) Osceola Thunder 4) Assumption 5) Eau Claire Lavender Lightning 6) Marshfield 7) Reedsburg 8) Hurley 9) Eau Claire Volunteers Blue 10) Somerset Black 11) Colfax White 12) Neillsville 13) Winona YMCA 14) Merrill Blue 15) Wausau West 16) Antigo 17) Stillwater Red 18) Prescott Red 19) Stevens Point Red 20) Osseo-Fairchild 21) Ashland 22) Edgar 23) D.C. Everest Green 24) La Crosse Boys & Girls Club 25) Eagle Hoops Blue	1) Stillwater Red 2) Eau Claire Blue Lightning 3) Osseo-Fairchild 4) Winona YMCA 5) Fall Creek 6) Somerset Black 7) Barron Maroon 8) Hayward 9) Osceola Green 10) Holmen Heat 11) Poplar 12) La Crosse Central 13) Amery White 14) Eau Claire Volunteers Blue 15) Reedsburg 16) Colfax Black 17) Medford 18) Cloquet 19) Ellsworth 20) Red Wing 21) Phillips 22) Tomah 23) Assumption 24) Park Falls 25) Wisconsin Rapids