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Youth Basketball Tournament returns to Abilene for Seventh Consecutive Year

ABILENE, TX – The Abilene Youth Sports Authority (AYSA) will host the Prime Time Sports – Spring Shootout Basketball Tournament this weekend. Interest in this tournament continues to increase each year: teams from Abilene, the Big Country area, the Texas Panhandle and the DFW metroplex are expected to participate. This is the seventh consecutive year for Abilene to host the tournament.

Approximately forty teams (or 220 participants) are expected, with multiple divisions for boys and girls in grades 3-12. The tournament will begin Saturday, April 16 at 8 a.m. and the last game will be played Sunday, 5:30 p.m. in the Cooper High School and Abilene High School gymnasiums.

With over half of the participating teams from outside of Abilene, hotel rooms are booked and restaurants and retail stores will be busy with young dribblers and their families. The Abilene Convention and Visitors Bureau estimates this tournament will generate approximately \$93,000 into the local economy over the weekend.

About AYSA & Prime Time Sports:

AYSA will once again follow this spring tournament with Prime Time Sports - Summer Hoops Tour Basketball tournaments in May and June. Prime Time Sports hosts over 80 tournaments throughout the state between March and July. Officials from Prime Time Sports say Abilene has proven to be one of their most successful tournament cities in the country. Chris Hoover, Prime Time Director of Basketball Operations stated, “After Dallas and Houston, Abilene has proven to be one of the most successful tournaments we conduct in non-metroplex communities. We appreciate the great relationship we have with AYSA in conducting these great events each year. We look forward to having many more Abilene events in the future.” For more information about AYSA, visit www.abileneysa.org.

Prime Time Sports is dedicated to competitive excellence; offering youth tournaments and leagues, as well as clinics and camps. The mission of Prime Time is to promote and provide a full range of youth activities. For more information about Prime Time Sports, visit www.primetimesportz.com.

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