

What is *Wishoops Wanders*?

Wishoops Wanders (working title) is a new feature planned for Courtside on Wishoops.net for the 2006-07 season.

It will document individual games by a team of scouts we will have statewide. But instead of producing traditional game stories, these features will focus more on a giving brief recap of the game and highlighting the players that stood out.

How do I become a part of the scouting team and what are the qualifications?

We are looking for knowledgeable and passionate fans that are most likely already going to games anyways. Preference will be given to those who have playing or coaching experience.

Fill out the scout interest form and return no later than November 15th if you are interested.

What would I receive for writing these game reports?

In addition to the opportunity to help promote teams and players in your area of the state, scouts will receive a media pass that, in most cases, will give them free entry to the high school basketball games they are covering. Also, scouts will receive a free subscription to Courtside, a complimentary copy of the Wisconsin Basketball Yearbook, and Wishoops.net gear.

All scouts will be invited to our annual coaches appreciation party during the weekend of the state tournament as well as two tickets to our suite at the Kohl Center for at least one session of the state tournament.

What areas are you looking to cover?

Eau Claire, Fox Valley, Green Bay, La Crosse, Madison, Milwaukee (city), Milwaukee (northern), Milwaukee (southern + Racine/Kenosha), North Central, Sheboygan and Southwestern Wisconsin.

What if my area isn't listed?

If you don't see an area you are interested in covering, please contact us and let us know what conference and teams would be in your area.

How would I know what games to cover?

Our staff would work with you to select games that would be compelling match-ups. We are also going to try and put a focus on seeing as many teams as possible. Furthermore we are more than happy to work around your schedule but are hoping that our scouts are committed to getting to at least one game per week.

How much technical knowledge would I need / how much writing experience would I need?

The game recap form is as simple as filling out any other web form such as a message board post. So, as long as you have marginal computer skills, you are qualified.

Furthermore, since we are not doing a traditional game story, we are more concerned about basketball knowledge and passion than creative writing skill.