

FAST FACTS

- ► The Elks National Hoop Shoot® is a free throw contest for youth ages 8 to 13.
- Beginning at local Elks Lodges, winning contestants advance through local, district, state, regional and national competitions.
- ► The program is free to contestants. The Elks help sponsor contestants and their families at every level of competition.
- One boy and one girl from each agegroup will win a national title at the National Finals in Springfield, Massachusetts.
- ▶ National Champions have their names permanently inscribed in the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.
- ➤ Two National Champions will receive the **Getty Powell Award** for the best score during the finals. These winners and their parents receive a free trip to the Elks National Convention in July.

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

HELPING ELKS BUILD STRONGER COMMUNITIES

Established in 1928, the Elks National Foundation is the charitable arm of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Our mission is to help Elks build stronger communities. We fulfill our pledge by:

- ► Investing in communities where Elks live and work.
- ▶ Providing tomorrow's leaders, our youth, with lifelong skills.
- ► Honoring the Elks' pledge to never forget our veterans.
- ► Helping the state Elks associations accomplish their charitable objectives.
- ► Funding Lodge projects that improve the quality of life in local Elks communities.

For more information about the Elks National Foundation, visit **www.elks.org/enf**.

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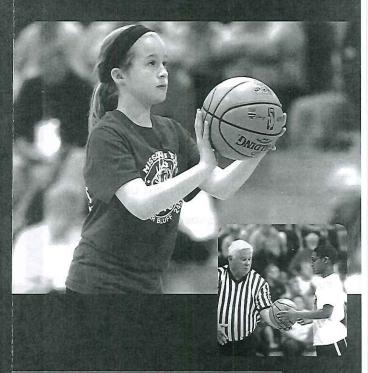
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ELKS NATIONAL HOOP SHOOT® FREE THROW PROGRAM



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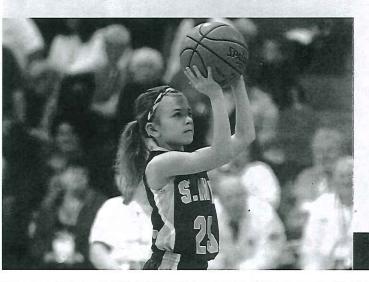


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COMPETE

- ► The Hoop Shoot® provides a characterbuilding, competitive experience for all contestants.
- Contestants learn about the importance of respect and good sportsmanship.
- ► Through each level of competition, contestants support one another and learn to accept defeat or win gracefully.





CONNECT

- ▶ With hours of practice at every level of competition, parents connect with their child throughout the Hoop Shoot® experience.
- ► Family members travel with their contestant to every competition and share the experience together.
- ► Contestants connect with one another throughout their journey, developing positive relationships with peers.
- ► Contestants regard meeting new friends as one of the top benefits of participating in the Hoop Shoot®.

SUCCEED

- Through healthy competition and practice, contestants develop skills that aid in achieving school and life success.
- ▶ Parents say that the lessons their child learned by participating in the Hoop Shoot® helped in schoolwork and other areas off the basketball court.

HOW TO COMPETE

The Hoop Shoot® competition starts at the local Lodge level. To locate an Elks Lodge near you, visit www.elks.org/lodges. For more information on the Elks National Hoop Shoot®, visit www.elks.org/hoopshoot or e-mail hoopshoot@elks.org.

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"Two years ago, Cole wrote down a goal of having his name in the Hall of Fame. With persistence and commitment, he endured failure and never gave up. Now his name is forever engraved in the Basketball Hall of Fame. As special as that is, it

pales in comparison to the life lessons

the Hoop Shoot has taught him."

MAT PENTELUTE
PARENT OF 2014 BOYS 8-9
NATIONAL CHAMPION
PROVO, UTAH, LODGE NO. 849

"Through the Hoop Shoot, the Elks have encouraged me, stressed that we're all winners, and enabled me to make new friends along the way."

> 2014 GIRLS 12-13 NATIONAL FINALIST OWEGO, N.Y., LODGE NO. 1039

