

Cruse offers comments on 10th

With the 10th Region basketball tournament set to get underway this Wednesday in Maysville (Mason County High School), Nicholas County High School Head Basketball Coach Lee Cruse offered these observations on the teams making the tournament this year.

MAYSVILLE: This is the best team Maysville has had in several years. If Maysville could be considered to have a weakness it would be that the team is not really all that deep. Maybe six or seven at best.

CLARK COUNTY: Clark County is in the process of rebuilding its program. Clark lost to Montgomery County in the finale of district, but Montgomery County shot a lot of free throws in the last quarter and won by just 10. I believe Clark County is capable of beating Maysville, but with a young team, which I will add is quick,

you never know.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY: People have said all season long Montgomery County is the team to beat in the 10th Region. I would have to go along with that. They are talented, have a good bench, have a floor leader and go eight or nine deep. The only disadvantage I can point out is that Montgomery County has never won the tournament.

TOLLEBORO: It is still a struggling program, and will have a better team. Tolleboro lost their best player last summer in an automobile accident. I think it is certainly a credit to see the team back together. It is certainly a compliment to them.

BOURBON COUNTY: Bourbon would have to be favored over Bracken County. They have fine quickness and can run a strong inside game. I would say Bourbon may have the

best chance at beating Montgomery County.

BRACKEN COUNTY: Bracken County has a weakness in that they do not have strong inside game. They are in a down mood after losing to Deming in the finale of the district. They said it was one of the largest crowds in history at the tournament.

OPENING OPPONENT DEMING: Deming had a 20 game winning season this year. It is a small school, but has a real good group of kids. They play together well and look for ways to win. Their players will give up their own points to allow someone else to score in order to win. It will be a dogfight, no question about that. Our chances are good. The only thing I can point out about Deming is at times the team is erratic. We will have to do the things we do well, over and over again, and stay with our game play to win. It will be a good game and we will be in the game all the way.

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Quarterfinals
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The band performed at most all home games, and the plan is for the musical group to travel to Maysville for Nicholas County's games in the 10th region tournament. The NCHS Band Director is Shawn Parrish.

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