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[9th Annual SFIC Basketball Festival Features the Boys and Girls Defending New Jersey TOC Winners and other Top 20 Boys Basketball Teams](#)

Newark, N.J.- Eighteen of the top boys and girls high school basketball teams in the state of New Jersey will participate in the 9th Annual Scholarship for Inner-City Children Basketball Festival that will take place on Saturday, January 7th and Sunday, January 8th at Kean University's Harwood Arena in Union.

Kean will host five competitive games to start the first day. The first day tips offs at 11:00 A.M. with Roselle Catholic girls versus Paramus Catholic girls team preceding the girls of Saint Anthony HS against the Academy of the Holy Angels. The first day of the festival will also feature three of the Top 20 New Jersey boys basketball teams including the defending Tournament of Champions winner in New Jersey, Saint Anthony HS against Roselle Catholic at 2:30 P.M. The Hudson Catholic boys, a pre-season top 5 pick, will take on Saint Joseph's Montvale at 4:30 P.M. Seton Hall Prep, which is ranked #7, will play St. Joseph HS, Metuchen, which is ranked #19, at 6:30 P.M.

The second day of the festival will begin at 12:30 P.M. with a classic boys Non-Public A matchup between Saint Peter's Prep (Jersey City), ranked #11 in New Jersey, and the Don Bosco Prep of Ramsey. At 2:15 P.M., the defending Tournament of Champion winner and number one ranked school Trenton Catholic girls plays Mount Saint Dominic (Caldwell) at 2:30 P.M. The St. Patrick's boys team, with new coach Chris Chevannes, will renew their rivalry against Trenton Catholic at 4:00 P.M. The 6:00pm finale will feature St. Benedict's Prep against Bergen Catholic.

"The SFIC Basketball Festival is fortunate to have some of the state's finest basketball teams which offer exciting action for fans and support the SFIC's work to raise money for financial aid for low-income families." said Bill Fitzpatrick, the Director of the SFIC Basketball Festival. "With the enthusiastic support of the coaches and their schools we are able to create the best spectacle of high school basketball in the state."

Scholarship Fund for Inner-City Children is a non-profit organization that provides partial tuition scholarships to economically disadvantaged children who desire an educational alternative. Since its inception in 1983, the SFIC has provided over \$40 million in scholarships to over 30,000 students in Bergen, Essex, Hudson and Union Counties.

For additional information or to purchase tickets, fans can call the SFIC office at (973) 497-4279 or log onto www.SFIChoops.com.

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