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Field Set for 2007 UPA High School Western Championships

BURLINGTON, Wash. – The field is set for the 2007 Ultimate Players Association (UPA) High School Western Championships, which take place May 12-13 at Skagit River Park in Burlington, Washington. Sixteen Open teams and eleven Girl's teams will compete in the most prestigious high school championship west of the Mississippi.

Top seeded and two-time defending champions Northwest School (Seattle, Wash.) lead the pack in the Open division. They are led by 2006 U.S. Junior Team member Casey Ikeda who helped bring home another Seattle State High School Championship for Northwest this season. Following Northwest as the No.2 seed is Oregon State Champions Churchill High School (Eugene, Ore.). Churchill finished second to Northwest School in the 2005 UPA HS Western Championships.

Another two-time defending champion, this time in the Girl's division, is attempting a three-peat this year. Nathan Hale (Seattle, Wash.) has won the past two High School Western Ultimate Championships, but might have a little more trouble this year as cross-town rivals, the Northwest School (Seattle, Wash.) comes in as the top seed after defeating Nathan Hale in the 2007 Washington State High School Ultimate Championships.

The 2007 UPA High School Western Championships begin Saturday May 12 with pool play at Skagit River Park in Burlington, Washington at 9:00am and continues until 6:00pm. Play continues Sunday at 8:30am with the finals for both divisions scheduled at 2:30pm.

2007 UPA High School Western Championships QUALIFYING TEAMS

Open Division

Alameda Community Learning Center (Alameda, Calif.)
Berkeley High School (Berkeley, Calif.)
Cathedral High School (St. Cloud, Minn.)
Cherry Creek High School (Greenwood, Colo.)
Churchill High School (Eugene, Ore.)
Crescent Valley High School (Corvallis, Ore.)
Cretin-Derham Hall (St. Paul, Minn.)
Hopkins High School (Minnetonka, Minn.)
Junction City High School (Junction City, Kan.)
Lakeside High School (Seattle, Wash.)
Lakewood High School (Lakewood, Colo.)
Nathan Hale High School (Seattle, Wash.)
Northwest School (Seattle, Wash.)
Rockhurst High School (Kansas City, Mo.)
Seattle Academy (Seattle, Wash.)
South Eugene High School (Eugene, Ore.)

Girl's Division

Alameda Community Learning Center (Alameda, Calif.)
Bush School (Seattle, Wash.)
Cathedral High School (St. Cloud, Minn.)
Churchill High School (Eugene, Ore.)
Cretin-Derham High School (St. Paul, Minn.)
Hopkins High School (Minnetonka, Minn.)
Lakeside High School (Seattle, Wash.)
Nathan Hale High School (Seattle, Wash.)
Northwest School (Seattle, Wash.)
Seattle Academy (Seattle, Wash.)
South Eugene (Eugene, Ore.)

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