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Breaking: NCBBA-W First Ever National Championship To Be Held In Erie, PA.



Pittsburgh, PA -- CollClubSports is excited to announce that the first ever NCBBA Women's National Championship will be held in beautiful Erie, Pennsylvania at Gannon University's basketball arena, the Hammermill Center.

The winners of each of the seven regional playoff tournaments plus one at-large bid team earn the right to participate in this epic single elimination tournament, and will battle it out to be crowned NCBBA Women's National Champion. The games begin on Friday, April 17th with the skills competition and All-Star Game taking place on Saturday, April 18th. The tournament will conclude with the National Championship Game on

Sunday, April 19th at 2:00 PM ET.

"I can't explain how excited we are to bring the National Championship to Gannon University. A special thanks to Erie Sports Commission. They have always been a great partner in the past when we have held other events in Erie and helped make this event possible," says Sandy Sanderson, President of Basketball Operations for the NCBBA. "We cannot wait for the participating teams to see what a beautiful city Erie is and for the first ever Women's National Champion to be crowned at Gannon University."



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Erie is a beautiful waterfront city with no shortage of things to do nearby. There is endless shopping, both local and retail chains, with no sales tax on clothes and shoes. You can explore beaches, shopping, food, and historical landmarks at beautiful Presque Isle State Park located right on Lake Erie. The city offers 4 semi-pro teams to cheer for along with Presque Isle Downs & Casino and Lake Erie Wine Country to offer more entertainment.



The Hammermill Center is located on the campus of Gannon University in downtown Erie. It has been host to Gannon Basketball since the programs began during the 1949-1950 season. The arena's capacity is 2,800 and has been voted as the toughest place to win in Division II numerous times by opposing coaches.

"We're honored to host the first-ever National Club Basketball Association Women's National Championships, in Erie, PA," said Mark Jeanneret, CSEE, Executive Director of the Erie Sports Commission. "Players and their families will be impressed with the facilities at Gannon University, and will no doubt enjoy the atmosphere and great amenities that our region has to offer. The ESC has established a great relationship with CollClubSports over the years, and we're looking forward to further solidifying that through this prestigious event."

Erie is easily accessible for all of our teams being located at the intersection of two major interstates: I-79 and I-90. Erie International Airport offers flights to and from Charlotte, Chicago, and Detroit as well as being within two hours of Pittsburgh, Cleveland, and Buffalo airports.

More information on this event will be released as it draws near on womens.ncbbabasketball.org/national-championship/. Any questions regarding the 2020 NCBBA Women's Division National Championship can be directed to league President - Sandy Sanderson.

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