

## Crean Lutheran and South Coast tournaments highlight opening week of high school basketball in Irvine



Crean Lutheran coach Josh Beaty leads his team into this week's 2017 Autonational Invitational at Crean Lutheran. Steven Georges, contributing photographer

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Basketball fans in Irvine will get their share of some top notch high school tournaments in the city.

The 2017 AutoNation Invitational Boys Basketball Tournament begins Saturday, Nov. 25, at Crean Lutheran in Irvine.

"The tournament is filled with several traditionally strong programs as well as defending state champion Esperanza," said Crean Lutheran assistant coach Josh Zumkehr.

Teams in the tournament include Crean Lutheran, Woodbridge and Beckman. Canyon, Esperanza, Fairmont Prep, La Mirada, LaSalle, La Serna, San Dieguito Academy, San Juan Hills and Sonora round out the field.

The tournament begins on Saturday, Nov. 25, at Crean Lutheran.

Beckman faces Fairmont Prep at noon, Sonora meets La Mirada at 1:30 p.m., Canyon faces San Juan Hills at 3 p.m., Esperanza matches up with San Dieguito Academy at 4:30 p.m., Crean Lutheran challenges La Serna at 6 p.m. and La Salle takes on Woodbridge at 7:30 p.m.

The tournament continues on Monday, Nov. 27. Games include Crean Lutheran vs. Woodbridge at 3 p.m. and La Salle vs. Beckman at 6 p.m.

Games will also be held on Wednesday, Nov. 29, Thursday, Nov. 30, Friday, Dec. 1 and Saturday, Dec. 2. The championship game will be on Saturday, Dec. 2, at 7:30 p.m.

### SOUTH COAST TOURNEY BEGINS MONDAY

The South Coast Classic hosted by the University and Woodbridge girls basketball teams begins on Monday, Nov. 27.

Yorba Linda meets Los Alamitos at 5 p.m. at Woodbridge and Woodbridge faces Tesoro at 6:30 p.m. at Woodbridge.

At University, San Clemente meets Troy at 5 p.m. and University faces Mater Dei at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 27.

The tournament continues on Tuesday, Nov. 28 and Wednesday, Nov. 29.

Woodbridge will meet Huntington Beach at Woodbridge at 6:30 p.m. in the opening game for new Warrior Coach Keith Clarkson and University will face El Toro on Wednesday, Nov. 29, at 6:30 p.m. The tournament continues on Friday, Dec. 1, with the finals on Saturday, Dec. 2.