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**Tickets Now On Sale Plus 3rd Place and Championship Games
To Be Broadcast Nationally on ESPNU!**

Portland, Oregon – Les Schwab Invitational presented by Express Employment Professionals tickets are available for purchase exclusively at www.LesSchwabInvitational.com. Fans have the option of buying individual session tickets – both Reserved and General Admission that are good for four games– or 5 Day Tournament Passes that are good for all 32 games of the 2011 Les Schwab Invitational presented by Express Employment Professionals. Fans that purchase Tournament Passes will also receive free entry to the **Express Employment Professionals Slam Dunk Contest / 3 Pt. Shootout** that takes place on Tuesday, December 27th from 1-3pm. The Slam Dunk / 3 Pt. Shootout will raise money for Brian Grant's *Shake It Till You Make It* foundation and is free with a Session #2 Ticket, Tournament Pass or \$2 at the door. Former Trailblazer Brian Grant will serve as one of the celebrity judges during the Dunk Contest. The official tournament bracket will be released next week.

Reserved seating is available during each evening session of the tournament. The first round will be played over two evenings on Monday and Tuesday, December 26th and 27th. The remaining three days will be divided into two, four-game sessions with a one-hour break between each session. The morning session begins at 9:00am with games running every hour and a half. The evening session begins at 4:00pm with games running every hour and a half. All games will be played at Liberty High School.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Session 1:	<u>Monday, December 26</u> Game 1...4:00 pm Game 2...5:30 pm Game 3...7:00 pm Game 4...8:30 pm	Session 5:	<u>Thursday, December 29</u> Game 17...9 am Game 18...10:30 am Game 19...Noon Game 20...1:30 pm
Session 2:	<u>Tuesday, December 27</u> Express Employment Professional's Slam Dunk Contest and 3 Pt. Shootout...1:00 – 3:00pm Game 5...4:00 pm Game 6...5:30 pm Game 7...7:00 pm Game 8...8:30 pm	Session 6:	Game 21...4:00 pm Game 22...5:30 pm Game 23...7:00 pm (Semi-Finals) Game 24...8:30 pm (Semi-Finals)
Session 3:	<u>Wednesday, December 28</u> Game 9...9:00 am Game 10...10:30 am Game 11...Noon Game 12...1:30pm	Session 7:	<u>Friday, December 30</u> Game 25...8:30 am Game 26...10:00 am Game 27...11:30am Game 28...1:30 pm (3 rd Place Televised on ESPNU)
Session 4:	Game 13...4:00 pm (Quarter Final #1) Game 14...5:30 pm (Quarter Final #2) Game 15...7:00 pm (Quarter Final #3) Game 16...8:30 pm (Quarter Final #4)	Session 8:	Game 29...4:00 pm Game 30...5:30 pm (Consolation Championship) Game 31...7:00 pm (5 th Place Game) Game 32...8:30 pm (Championship Televised on ESPNU)

The LSI is proud to announce that ESPNU will broadcast Friday's 3rd Place and Championship Games to a national television audience. This is the 2nd time in tournament history that ESPNU will broadcast from the LSI with the last time coming in 2006. To accommodate ESPNU's programming, the 3rd place game will take place at 1:30 pm on Friday, December 30th and all session #7 games will move up one half hour.

The LSI allows local basketball fans to see how well Oregon school's match-up against elite high school programs and players from all over the country as the tournament continually draws nationally ranked teams and future college and NBA stars to showcase their talent in Portland. The LSI is one of the most popular and well-attended high school basketball tournament's in the country.

Tickets will also be available for purchase at the Liberty High School Box Office throughout the tournament.

Fans are encouraged to visit www.LesSchwabInvitational.com for additional event information.

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