



NEW MEXICO STATE AGGIES FACE NORTHERN NEW MEXICO ON JANUARY 30 AT SANTA ANA STAR CENTER

Rio Rancho, NM. (November 28, 2016) – New Mexico State Men's Basketball team will play its regular season game against Northern New Mexico at the Santa Ana Star Center in Rio Rancho, N.M. Tipoff is set for 7 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 30.

The NM State Athletic Department has targeted the greater Albuquerque area in an effort to provide the large number of Aggie alums and fans in northern part of the state access to Aggie basketball.

"There is tremendous support for New Mexico State Athletics in the Albuquerque-Rio Rancho-Corrales-Santa Fe area and we want to give them a chance to see the Aggies play in their own back yard," said New Mexico State Director of Athletics Mario Moccia.

This is the second year the Aggies will take the court at the Santa Ana Star Center. Last February, nearly 2,500 fans watched New Mexico State clinch an 85-54 victory over Northern New Mexico at the neutral-site venue.

Reserved seats start at \$10, with center court seats going for \$20 and a limited number of courtside seats available at \$50.

Ticket reservations are now being accepted by NM State at the Pan American Center Ticket Office, either in person or by calling (575) 646-1420. Fans can also order tickets through Santa Ana Star Center starting 10:00 AM Friday, December 2 by calling 888.694.4849, online at SantaAnaStarCenter.com, or in person at Don Chalmers Ford Box Office at Santa Ana Star Center.

"We are thrilled to work with the NM State Athletic Department in bringing another New Mexico State basketball game to the Rio Rancho community here at Santa Ana Star Center," said Spectra's, Shane Cadwell, General Manager of Santa Ana Star Center. "It will be a great night for Aggie fans in this part of the state to have the opportunity to enjoy a game closer to home."

The Santa Ana Star Center is one of the top venues in New Mexico, hosting concerts, sporting events, conferences and cultural programs. Seating up to 6,000 for basketball, the Santa Ana Star Center was the home of the New Mexico Thunderbirds of the NBA Development League in 2010-11.

Located at 3001 Civic Center Circle, off Paseo Del Volcan and Unser Blvd. NE, the Santa Ana Star Center is strategically located approximately 10 miles from Albuquerque and 30 miles from the Sunport International Airport.

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