VPA officials found out the evening of March 25, 2021 that the Danville and Rice girls basketball teams were withdrawing from the Girls Basketball State Championship games due to COVID related issues. This means the Division 1 and Division 4 girls basketball championship games will not occur this Saturday, March 27, 2021 at the Barre Auditorium.

Consistent with VPA protocols, as set forth at the beginning of the tournament, Proctor is crowned Division 4 state champion and Danville is crowned runner up. In Division 1, BFA. St. Albans is crowned Division 1 state champion and Rice is crowned runner up. As has been the case in at least a dozen instances during winter sports playoffs, the team that could play the regularly scheduled game moved on. The team that could not play withdrew from the tournament. All schools knew this was the process at the beginning of the tournament. It would be unfair and inconsistent to other teams who had to withdraw from the tournament to rule any other way as any of those teams may have made it to the championship game as well were it not for the virus. Ultimately, this is no one’s fault and the only blame is to the virus. The VPA is proud of all of the student-athletes for doing their best in very difficult circumstances.