



# Game Day - BASKETBALL

## James A. Rhodes Arena - "The JAR"

The 5,500 seat JAR opened in 1983 and has been the home of men's and women's basketball as well as volleyball ever since. Moving from Memorial Hall, this gave the ZIPS their first modern athletic facility. The JAR was the first of a three-phase \$20.5 million project, which included the \$6.5 million Oliver Ocasek Natatorium and a renovation to Memorial Hall to the tune of \$2.5 million.

The arena is a two-floored structure accommodating a running track on the second level. The first floor boasts athletic offices, the ZIPS sports Hall of Fame, a ticket office, the team shop, the sports medicine facility and lockers. The 125,538 square-foot arena has continued to improve over the years leading to the most recent renovation.

In 2002-2003, the James A Rhodes Arena underwent a \$1.1 million renovation which included a new playing surface and scoreboards. The new hardwood floor replaced the original floor (1983) at a cost of over \$202,000 all covered by private funding. The second phase included a new state of the art video scoreboard which boasts four Opto Tech 7.5' X 10' LED displays.

## Directions And Parking

**FROM THE NORTH** - Take Interstate 77 South. Follow 77S to Route 8 North. Once on Route 8 North, take the Carroll St./Buchtel Ave. exit (first exit). At stoplight turn right. Parking is available at Rhodes Arena and surrounding locations including the parking deck.

**FROM THE SOUTH** - Take Interstate 77 North, follow signs for Route 8 North. Exit Route 8 at Carroll St./Buchtel Avenue and turn left at the stoplight onto Carroll St. Proceed through two more stoplights. Parking is available at Rhodes Arena and surrounding locations including the parking deck.

**FROM THE EAST** - Take Interstate 76 West to Route 8 North. Follow directions from the South.

**FROM THE WEST** - Take Interstate 76 East to Interstate 77 North. Follow directions from the South.

## Tickets

The ticket office can be reached by dialing 1-888-99-AKRON or (330) 972-6920.

The ticket office at James A. Rhodes Arena is located at the Carroll Street side of the arena and opens one hour prior to game time. Will call tickets and media passes require proper identification for pick up. Payment options include: Cash, Check (make all checks payable to "University of Akron"), Credit Cards (Visa, MasterCard and Discover).

DISABLED SEATING is available for all athletic events. Please call the Athletic Ticket Office for further details.