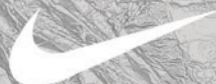


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2 Paul VI (VA)

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7 IMG Academy (FL)



3 Prolific Prep (CA)

April 4th, 6:00P ET



6 Link Academy (MO)



4 Long Island Lutheran (NY)

April 4th, 4:00P ET



5 Columbus (FL)

April 5th
2:30P ET



1 Montverde Academy (FL)

April 4th, 8:00P ET



8 AZ Compass Prep (AZ)

April 5th
4:30P ET

April 6th
12:00P ET





BOYS TOP 25

1	MONTVERDE ACADEMY	FLORIDA	30-0
2	LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN	NEW YORK	21-4
3	PAUL VI	VIRGINIA	33-2
4	COLUMBUS	FLORIDA	27-4
5	PROLIFIC PREP	CALIFORNIA	33-5
6	LINK ACADEMY	MISSOURI	25-6
7	HARVARD-WESTLAKE	CALIFORNIA	33-3
8	AZ COMPASS PREP	ARIZONA	27-5
9	BREWSTER ACADEMY	NEW HAMPSHIRE	27-7
10	IMG ACADEMY	FLORIDA	18-8
11	DON BOSCO PREP	NEW JERSEY	29-3
12	PLANO EAST	TEXAS	40-0
13	ARCHBISHOP STEPINAC	NEW YORK	25-4
14	LA LUMIERE	INDIANA	23-5
15	OAK HILL ACADEMY	VIRGINIA	24-6
16	DYNAMIC PREP	TEXAS	23-1
17	BULLIS SCHOOL	MARYLAND	27-3
18	SIDWELL FRIENDS	WASHINGTON D.C.	27-4
19	GRAYSON	GEORGIA	30-2
20	NORTH MECKLENBURG	NORTH CAROLINA	30-3
21	GONZAGA COLLEGE	WASHINGTON D.C.	28-6
22	RIDGE VIEW	SOUTH CAROLINA	27-2
23	MYERS PARK	NORTH CAROLINA	27-3
24	ROOSEVELT	CALIFORNIA	31-4
25	WISCONSIN LUTHERAN	WISCONSIN	30-0

*BOYS TEAM RANKINGS AS OF 3/20/24



1 MONTVERDE ACADEMY (FL)

ESPN #1 30-0 Montverde, FL

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

Many national prep basketball writers and aficionados believe the 2023-24 version of Montverde Academy is the finest high school on record. That's high praise because most feel the Eagles of 2019-20 were better but had their season cut short at the end by the pandemic. The star-studded roster begins with national player of the year and Duke-bound forward Cooper Flagg, who averaged 16.1 points, 7.6 rebounds, 3.9 assists, 2.7 blocks and 1.6 steals. Simply put, the Maine native is a master of all trades. He's joined by 6-9 Asa Newell (Georgia), 6-8 wing Liam McNeeley (Uncommitted) and 6-0 point guard and Wilmington, DE resident Rob Wright III (Baylor), who of whom along with Flagg will play in the prestigious Jordan Brand All American Classic on April 21 in New York. At 6-10, Derik Queen, a Baltimore resident, is an inside presence and will attend Maryland in the fall, staying close to home. Flagg, McNeeley and Queen all participated in the McDonald's All-American game in Houston earlier this week.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

The Eagles went 30-0 in the regular season that included winning the prestigious Nike EYBL Scholastic championship with a perfect ledger in 12 games against eight teams from the SC Next Top 25 national rankings. This year's road trips were to Utah, Las Vegas, Dallas, Portland (ME), Springfield (MA), Bartlett (TN), New York and Greenville (SC). That's eight states over the course of three months. The Eagles rattled off seven early wins before heading to the City of Palms Classic in nearby Fort Myers, FL. The Eagles capped the tournament victory with three wins, including two over Chipotle Nationals teams St. Paul VI Catholic (69-62) in the semifinals and Long Island Lutheran (73-59) in the final. The Eagles won three more at the Hoophall Classic in Massachusetts and played their tightest game of the season in topping Prolific Prep (CA), 76-71, another Chipotle team. On January 27, the Eagles captured their second in-season tournament winning their own MAIT over Prolific Prep, 78-72. They also returned to Coach Boyle's home state to hammer eventual New Jersey Non-Public B champion and No. 1 team St. Rose, 84-55. Suffice it to say the Eagles have been tested.

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

13th appearance, Champions in 2013, 2014, 2015, 2018, 2021, 2022

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
1	Robert Wright III	6' 1"	SR	PG
2	Dhani Miller	5' 3"	SO	G
3	Curtis Givens	6' 3"	SR	G
4	Gabe Nesmith	6' 5"	FR	G
11	Ace Flagg	6' 7"	JR	F
12	Caleb Gaskins	6' 8"	SO	G
14	Asa Newell	6' 10"	SR	F
15	Lucas Lima	6' 5"	SR	F
21	Kayden Allen	6' 6"	SO	G
25	Derik Queen	6' 10"	SR	F
30	Liam McNeeley	6' 8"	SR	G
32	Cooper Flagg	6' 9"	SR	F

HEAD COACH: KEVIN BOYLE

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2 PAUL VI (VA)

ESPN #3 33-2 Chantilly, VA

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

The Panthers (33-2) are built for tournament play and will face the seventh-seed IMG Academy (FL) in the first round. The Panthers feature 6-5 Darren Harris, a Duke recruit, who is the WCAC Player of the Year. At 5-11 Ben Hammond was named First Team All-WCAC and will be headed to Rhode Island in the fall. Glenn Farello was named the WCAC Coach of the Year after guiding his team to an unbeaten mark in the uber competitive WCAC. At 6-11, Patrick Ngongba II (his mom played in the WNBA) will join Harris at Duke. The frontline also features 6-8 Garrett Sundra (Notre Dame) and 6-7 wing Isaiah Abraham (Connecticut), 6-8 junior Adlan Elamin (transfer from WCAC rival Bishop O'Connell) and 6-7 junior Jaquan Womack. The future backcourt of sophomores 6-3 Jordan Smith Jr. and 6-1 Anthony Brown Jr. adds depth. Speed, quickness and length define the Panthers.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

In the last three seasons, the Panthers are 95-11, 50-3 in the Washington Catholic Athletic Conference (considered one of the nation's top leagues), with 32 wins over nationally ranked teams and 41 straight wins in the WCAC. That's on top of winning the WCAC Tournament title for the second time in three seasons and a third consecutive Virginia Independent Schools Athletic Association Division I crown. In the WCAC final, the Panthers defeated Gonzaga (Washington, D.C.), 63-51, in the final. That's 19-0 in the WCAC. In January, the Panthers captured the Bass Pro Tournament of Champions in Springfield, Mo., defeating eventual state champion St. John Bosco (Bellflower, CA), 71-53, in the final. Prior to Christmas, the Panthers placed third at the City of Palms Classic, beating Link Academy, 74-71, in the consolation final in Fort Myers, FL. The Panthers are 2-2 against the Chipotle Nationals field, having beaten Link and IMG Academy but lost to Montverde Academy (FL) and Columbus (FL).

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

Second appearance

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
0	Patrick Ngongba	6'11"	SR	C
1	Anthony Brown Jr.	6'2"	SO	G
2	Troy Tomlin	6'3"	FR	G
3	Benjamin Hammond	5'11"	SR	G
4	Isaiah Abraham	6'8"	SR	F
5	Adlan Elamin	6'8"	JR	F
10	Colin Byrd	6'3"	SO	G
11	Jordan Hunter	6'2"	SO	G
12	Garrett Sundra	6'11"	SR	F
13	Jaquan Womack	6'7"	JR	F
15	Jacob Moore	6'6"	JR	F
23	Jordan Smith Jr.	6'3"	SO	G
24	Darren Harris	6'6"	SR	G

HEAD COACH: GLENN FARELLO





3 PROLIFIC PREP (CA)

ESPN #6 31-5 Napa Valley, CA

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

The Low-down: You have to like coach Ryan Bernardi's go-for-it mantra. Each year the Northern California school located in the Napa Valley simply reloads and plays one of the most demanding traveling schedules in the nation. Depth, size and major college-ready talent dot the Crew's roster. The main players are 6-7 Derrion Reid (Alabama), 6-11 Aiden Sherrell (Alabama), 6-3 PG Zoom Diallo (Washington commit), 6-2 SG Mikey Lewis (Saint Mary's), the 6-7 transformative junior AJ Dybantsa, 6-7 sophomore Tyran Stokes and 6-7 junior Winters Grady. The Crew have rotated seven starters this season after injuries sidelined two starters for 11 and 18 games. Diallo, Reid and Sherrell played in the McDonald's All-American Game this week in Houston.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

Last month, Prolific Prep (33-5) secured the Grind Session World Championship for the second straight term in Chicago, IL. The Crew stopped Dream City Christian (Glendale, AZ), 84-74, in the final. Tyran Stokes had 18 points, 9 rebounds and 6 assists and junior A.J. Dybantsa added 24 points and 8 rebounds. In the semifinals, they defeated Royal Crown (Ontario, Canada), 95-82. Derrion Reid had 15 points, 6 rebounds, 3 assists and 3 steals and Mikey Lewis flipped in 17 points. Scheduling highlights include travel to Canada and Puerto Rico plus the Montverde (Fla.) Invitational, Hoophall Classic in Massachusetts and Tarkanian Classic in Las Vegas. The Crew went 2-3 against the tournament field. They beat Link Academy and AZ Compass Prep but lost twice to Monteverde.

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

Fourth appearance

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#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
0	Mikey Lewis	6'3"	SR	G
1	Atticus Day	6'0"	JR	G
2	Winters Grady	6'6"	JR	SG
3	AJ Dybantsa	6'8"	JR	W
4	Tyran Stokes	6'8"	SO	F
5	Zoom Diallo	6'4"	SR	PG
10	Liam Dayco-Green	6'1"	SR	G
11	Cory Connor	6'3"	SR	G
13	Jaeden Hutchins	6'8"	SR	F
15	Emmanuel Jamgbadi	6'7"	SO	C
22	Aiden Sherrell	6'11"	SR	C
23	Kalid Petzer	6'10"	SR	C
25	Joel Mokweza	6'9"	SO	C
32	Gabe Carrejo	6'0"	JR	G
33	Alek Giotopoulos Moore	6'6"	SR	W
35	Derrion Reid	6'7"	SR	W/F

HEAD COACH: RYAN BERNARDI



4 LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN (NY)

ESPN #2 21-4 Brookville, NY

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

It was a solid year for the Crusaders (21-4) in the Nike EYBL Scholastic. LuHi has the pieces to make that run with 6-6 V.J. Edgcombe (Baylor), 6-11 junior C Alier Maluk (Florida State), 6-4 junior Kiyan Anthony (son of former NBA and future Hall of Famer, Carmelo Anthony), 6-0 junior Nigel James Jr., 6-5 junior Jacob Ross, 6-3 sophomore point guard Dylan Mingo, 6-7 forward Tajae Jones, 6-8 forward Ben Michaels (England) and 6-1 Kayden Mingo. The lineup is deep with size and the Crusaders are battle tested with a national schedule. The Crusaders averaged 72.9 points (second in the Nike EYBL Scholastic) and the top two scorers were Edgcombe (15.7 ppg, 5.1 rpg) and Kayden Mingo (15.2 ppg), who shot 43.6% from 3-point range with 24 made 3s in the league. LuHi had two league leaders with Alier at 2.2 blocks and Edgcombe at 2.7 steals.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

This the second year for the Crusaders (21-4) in the Nike EYBL Scholastic (previously known as the NIBC) who carved out quite an impressive run in the conference with a 10-2 mark. They don't want another early exit after bowing out in the first round a year ago. Coach John Buck (a former Wake Forest player) does not back down when it comes to scheduling. The Crusaders advanced to the City of Palms Classic final, losing to Montverde, 73-59. In the prestigious pre-Christmas tournament, they stopped Westminster Academy (FL), eventual state champions Don Bosco Prep (NJ) and Link Academy (MO). They also beat powerhouse Mater Dei (CA), 81-68, on Dec. 15. Other quality wins were Gonzaga (DC) and Brewster Academy (NH) but lost to Columbus (Miami, FL). In the EYBL Scholastic, three wins to close out the regular season were the ticket to Brownsburg. The Crusaders are 3-3 vs. the field, including a victory over IMG Academy.

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

Second appearance

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
1	VJ Edgcombe	6' 5"	SR	G
3	Kiyan Anthony	6' 4.5"	JR	G
4	Kayden Mingo	6' 3"	JR	G
5	Jacob Ross	6' 6"	JR	F
10	Nigel James	6' 0"	JR	G
11	Ben Michaels	6' 8"	SR	F
12	Alier Maluk	6' 11"	JR	F
13	Dylan Mingo	6' 5"	SO	G
21	Godswill Erheriene	6' 9"	SR	F
23	Tajae Jones	6' 7"	SR	F

HEAD COACH: JOHN BUCK

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5 COLUMBUS (FL)

ESPN #4 27-4 Miami, FL

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

In the last 25 years, Miami Dade County has become a hotbed for hoops. The club scene thrives, the Heat are perennial NBA winners and the Miami Hurricanes reached the 2023 Men's Final Four. Add the Explorers to that list. Coach Andrew Moran's squad features an NBA theme with four sons of two former NBA players (Carlos Boozer and Jason Richardson). At 6-9, Cameron Boozer, who averages a double-double, is arguably the top player from the Class of 2025 and his twin brother, 6-3 Cayden Boozer, is high-end talent too. PG Jase Richardson, 6-4, will follow his dad's path to Michigan State. F Malik Abdullahi (Princeton) and 6-5 sophomore wing Jaxon Richardson will add to this team's depth. So will 6-3 point guard Randy Smith, 6-3 junior Benny Fragela and a pair of freshmen 6-6 Anthony Walcott and 5-10 point guard Zack Dawson for the third-time Class 7A state champions.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

The Explorers (27-4) head to the Chipotle Nationals after winning a third consecutive FHSAA Class 7A state championship in a 72-67 overtime win over nationally ranked Oak Ridge (Orlando). The Explorers led 32-21 at halftime but coughed up the advantage before using a 15-10 spurt in the extra session to ice it and stretch the winning streak to 21 games. The Explorers dropped six of their first 10 games, including two in the City of Palms Classic in Fort Myers, FL. Less than a week after City of Palms, the Explorers traveled cross-country to the Les Schwab Invitational in Oregon. The Explorers went 4-0 and won the title game over eventual California Open Division champion Harvard-Westlake (Studio City, CA), 55-54. At the Hoophall Classic in Massachusetts, the Explorers defeated Chipotle Nationals entrants Long Island Lutheran (81-62) and St. Paul VI Catholic (70-61). The Miami all-male Catholic school is 2-2 against the field, having lost to Montverde (FL) and Link Academy (MO).

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

First appearance

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
0	Michael Feenane	6'4"	JR	F
1	Brandon Ordonez	5'10"	SR	PG
2	Cayden Boozer	6'5"	JR	PG
3	Randy Smith	6'2"	SR	G
4	Jason Richardson	6'3"	SR	PG
5	Jaxon Richardson	6'6"	SO	F
10	Angelo Miranda	6'3"	SR	F
11	Anthony Walcott	6'5"	FR	G
12	Cameron Boozer	6'9"	JR	G/F
15	Strada Joseph	5'11"	JR	G
20	Zacuras Dawson	5'10"	FR	PG
21	Alejandro Cejas	6'0"	SR	G
23	Benny Fragela	6'3"	JR	G
24	Malik Abdullahi	6'7"	SR	F

HEAD COACH: ANDREW MORAN

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6 LINK ACADEMY (MO)

ESPN #5 25-6 Branson, MO

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

The Lions know what it takes to win this event and the bullseye is squarely on their backs until someone knocks them off. The leaders are 6-6 Tre Johnson (Texas) and 6-4 Labaron Philon (Kansas). Johnson was named to three senior all-star games: McDonald's, Jordan Brand and Iverson Classic. Philon will participate in the Jordan and Iverson games. The Lions were stingy on defense allowing just 55.4 points per game. In EYBL Scholastic play, Link led the pack forcing 15.4 turnovers a game while swiping 9.3 steals a game. Johnson averaged 16.2 ppg in the EYBL Scholastic and Jasper Johnson had 12 ppg and 4.6 apg. Philon connected on 53.6% of his shots and averaged 2.3 steals, and Jasper Johnson hit 26 3-pointers at a 40.6% clip. The remainder of the rotation features 6-10 center James Brown, who is off to North Carolina; 6-8 wing Jalen Shelley (Arkansas); 6-7 forward Jaxson Ford (Sam Houston State) and 6-4 guard T.O. Barrett (Missouri).

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

The defending Champions have a difficult matchup in the opening round but the Lions (25-6) found a way to navigate the eight-team bracket a year ago in Florida to win it. The Lions are 85-9 over the last three seasons and another mini three-game run in April is not out of the question. In the Nike EYBL Scholastic, the Lions fared well in their inaugural season in the league, going 9-3 behind unbeaten Montverde Academy (FL) and Long Island Lutheran (NY) with a 10-2 record. The Lions started 3-0 before losing to Montverde (71-59), LuHi (61-48) and Brewster Academy (65-49) then finishing with four straight wins. December was a busy travel month as the Lions played in events in Kentucky, Nevada, Nassau (Bahamas), Florida and New York. At the City of Palms Classic, the Lions went 2-2 with a key win over Columbus (Miami) but fell to LuHi and St. Paul VI Catholic (VA) in the third place game. The Lions also swept two games after Christmas at the Jumpman Holiday Classic in New York City over Penn Charter (PA) and Sidwell Friends (DC). The Lions went 3-5 vs. the Chipotle Nationals tournament field.

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

Third appearance, Champion in 2023 (Runner-up in 2022)

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
0	Tre Johnson	6'6	SR	G
1	Labaron Philon	6'4	SR	G
2	Jasper Johnson	6'6	JR	G
3	TO Barrett	6'5	SR	G
5	TJ Stuttley	6'6	JR	G
10	Jalen Shelley	6'8	SR	F
12	Andre Iguodala	6'7	JR	G
22	Jaxson Ford	6'7	SR	F
23	James Brown	6'10	SR	F
24	Brandon Benjamin	6'7	SR	F
43	Kenyon DeMuyneck	6'9	SR	F
55	Tanner Baird	6'10	JR	F

HEAD COACH: BILL ARMSTRONG

 @LINKHOOPS



7 IMG ACADEMY (FL)

ESPN #10 18-8 Bradenton, FL

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

Key players include 6-2 junior Darius Acuff, Jr., 6-8 Donovan Freeman (Syracuse) and 6-6 Chase McCarty (Houston). Freeman, who previously attended St. John's (DC), was selected to play in the McDonald's All-American Game this week in Houston. Acuff is one of the nation's top juniors and topped the Nike EYBL Scholastic in scoring with 21.3 ppg and Freeman was seventh at 16.5 ppg. Acuff buried 29 3-pointers, shot 36.3% from downtown and handed out 5.3 apg. At 6-8, Khani Rooths (Michigan) is the team's top rebounder and averaged 1.4 blocks in league play. The rotation is bolstered by 6-4 Cole Certa (Notre Dame), 7-7 Canadian Oliver Rioux (Florida), 6-6 junior Amari Allen, 6-8 forward Kareem Stagg and 6-4 point guard Felipe Quinones from Puerto Rico.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

The measuring stick for the Ascenders (20-8) is the 2019 championship team in this event and since then the dream of a second Chipotle Nationals crown is the goal. The Ascenders, who are coached by Sean McAloon, are one of five teams in the field from the Nike EYBL Scholastic. In order to qualify for the Chipotle Nationals, the Ascenders needed to piece together a three-game win streak to close out the EYBL Scholastic campaign, beating Oak Hill Academy (VA), 77-70; Orangeville Academy (Ontario), 67-53; and La Lumiere School (IN), 72-63. However, when it comes to head-to-head competition with the tournament field, the Ascenders lost all four matchups to EYBL Scholastic brethren and a 71-70 setback to St. Paul VI Catholic (VA) at the City of Palms Classic before Christmas in Fort Myers, FL for a 1-5 mark. They defeated Prolific Prep (CA) at the Grind Session in Puerto Rico and had quality wins over Archbishop Stepinac (NY), Richmond Heights (OH) and Brewster Academy (NH).

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

Sixth appearance, Champions in 2019

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
0	Oliver Rioux	7'7	SR	C
2	Amari Allen	6'6	JR	W
3	Cole Certa	6'4	SR	G
4	Gerard O'Keefe	6'3	SR	G
5	Darius Acuff	6'2	JR	PG
10	Donnie Freeman	6'9	SR	F
11	Khani Rooths	6'8	SR	F
14	Felipe Quinones	6'4	SO	PG
15	Kareem Stagg	6'8	JR	F
21	Chase McCarty	6'5	SR	W

HEAD COACH: SEAN MCALOON

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8 AZ COMPASS PREP (AZ)

ESPN #8 27-5 Chandler, AZ

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

Coach Pete Kaffey is in his first year at the helm after previous coach Ed Gipson left for San Jose State after the 2022-23 season. Kaffey had been on staff for six years leading up to his hire. The lead guard is 6-3 Jeremiah Fears (14.4 ppg, 4.1 apg), who is headed to Illinois, and yes, he's the younger brother of Jeremy Fears of Michigan State. Jeremiah is a score-first combo guard and is the leader on the floor and will attack the rim. Like Fears, the Dragons have a complement in the backcourt junior Cam Miles (8.2 ppg, 2.8 rpg, 4.0 apg, 2.2 spg, 54% FG). The rest of the lineup feature Arizona State-bound Sammie Yeanay (10.3 ppg, 5.5 rpg, 38% 3FG), 6-5 Vycorius "VJ" Miller (12.5 ppg, 40% 3FG, Oregon), 6-10 Englishman Luke Bamgboye (5.4 ppg, 6.2 rpg, 2.1 bpg), 6-8 Jayce Nathaniel (5.7 ppg, 33% 3FG, 5.1 rpg), 6-4 Moses Hipps (8.2 ppg, 54% 3FG), Samford-recruit Zion Wilburn (3.4 ppg, 2.6 rpg) and 6-11 Ethan Lathan (2.4 ppg, 3.6 rpg, Old Dominion). In the EYBL Scholastic, Fears averaged 13.8 points and 2.6 steals, Bamgboye 6.0 rebounds and 1.8 blocks, Miles 3.8 assists and Miller shot 42 of 90 from the floor for 46.7%.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

AZ Compass was one of the best defensive teams in the EYBL Scholastic this season, holding teams to just 57.3 points a game and swiping a league-best 9.5 steals a game, but the the Dragons (27-5) needed a late push to qualify for Chipotle Nationals. Over the course of a weekend in January and two more in late February and early March, both in South Carolina, the Dragons captured five straight EYBL Scholastic games to finish with an 8-4 record. That string of victories went: Long Island Lutheran (NY), 65-62; Legacy Early College (SC), 56-54; Canyon International (AZ), 66-64; Oak Hill Academy (VA), 78-71; and Orangeville Academy (Ontario), 57-40. That's two wins by two points and another by three. Heading into their matchup with Montverde Academy (FL), the Dragons are 2-2 against the Chipotle field and already lost to the top seed 58-46 on Dec. 9 in Las Vegas. The Dragons are 52-12 over the last two seasons.

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

Fourth appearance, Runners-up in 2021 and 2023









#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
0	Moses Hipps	6'4"	SR	CG
1	Cameron Miles	6'3"	JR	G
2	Jeremiah Fears	6'3"	JR	PG
4	Jayce Nathaniel	6'8"	SR	F
5	Vycorius Miller	6'6"	SR	SG
10	Quron "Q" Elliott	6'1"	JR	PG
11	Luke Bamgboye	6'10"	SR	SF/C
15	Ryan Jackson	6'6"	SR	W
22	Ethan Lathan	6'11"	SR	C
23	Sammie Yeanay	6'8"	SR	PF
24	Zion Wilburn	6'6"	SR	F
33	Junior Sileu	6'11"	SR	C

HEAD COACH: PETE KAFFEY

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PLAYER RANKINGS

#	NAME	POS	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE
1	Cooper Flagg 	SF	Montverde	Duke
4	VJ Edgecombe 	SF	Long Island Lutheran	Baylor
5	Tre Johnson	SG	Link Academy	Texas
8	Derrion Reid 	SF	Prolific Prep	Alabama
10	Derik Queen 	C	Montverde	Maryland
11	Liam McNeeley 	SF	Montverde	Uncommitted
12	Asa Newell	PF	Montverde	Georgia
18	Pat Ngongba	C	Paul VI	Duke
19	Donavan Freeman 	C	IMG Academy	Syracuse
21	Aiden Sherrell 	SG	Prolific Prep	Alabama
23	Jase Richardson	PG	Christopher Columbus	Michigan St
25	Robert Wright III	PG	Montverde	Baylor
29	Zoom Diallo 	PG	Prolific Prep	Washington
30	Labaron Philon	PG	Link Academy	Kansas
33	Khani Rooths	PF	IMG Academy	Michigan
37	Darren Harris	SF	Paul VI	Duke
41	Vyctorius Miller	SG	AZ Compass	Oregon
47	Jalen Shelley	SF	Link Academy	Arkansas
51	Curtis Givens	PG	Montverde	LSU
65	James Brown	PF	Link Academy	North Carolina
85	Isaiah Abraham	SF	Paul VI	UCONN
86	Cole Certa	SG	IMG Academy	Notre Dame
87	Sammie Yeanay	PF	AZ Compass Prep	Arizona State
93	Mikey Lewis	SG	Prolific Prep	St. Mary's
98	Chase McCarty	SF	IMG Academy	Houston

*RANKINGS AS OF 3/20/24



PLAYER RANKINGS

#	NAME	POS	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE
1	AJ Dybansta	SF	Prolific Prep	Uncommitted
2	Cameron Boozer	PF	Christopher Columbus	Uncommitted
8	Jasper Johnson	PG	Link Academy	Uncommitted
10	Darius Acuff	PG	IMG Academy	Uncommitted
14	Cayden Boozer	PG	Christopher Columbus	Uncommitted
16	Jeremiah Fears	PG	AZ Compass Prep	Illinois
45	Kiyan Anthony	SG	Long Island Lutheran	Uncommitted
52	Alier Maluk	C	Long Island Lutheran	Uncommitted





PLAYER RANKINGS

#	NAME	POS	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE
1	Tyran Stokes	PF	Prolific Prep	Uncommitted
9	Jordan Smith	SG	Paul VI	Uncommitted
20	Dylan Mingo	SG	Long Island Lutheran	Uncommitted
23	Caleb Gaskins	PF	Montverde	Uncommitted

Meet Paul Biancardi

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*RANKINGS AS OF 3/20/24



2023-24 STAT LEADERS

POINTS PER GAME

1	DARIUS ACUFF JR.	IMG ACADEMY	21.3
2	JOHN MOBLEY JR.	WASATCH ACADEMY	19.9
3	CHRISTIAN ANDERSON	OAK HILL ACADEMY	19.1
4	JERRY EASTER II	LA LUMIERE SCHOOL	18.2
5	AMIER ALI	CANYON INTERNAT. ACADEMY	17.1

REBOUNDS PER GAME

1	DERIK QUEEN	MONTVERDE ACADEMY	8.7
2	DONAVAN FREEMAN	IMG ACADEMY	8.4
3	JAION PITT	CANYON INTERNAT. ACADEMY	7.4
4	COOPER FLAGG	MONTVERDE ACADEMY	7.3
5	SPENCER AHRENS	SUNRISE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY	7.0

ASSISTS PER GAME

1	ROBERT WRIGHT III	MONTVERDE ACADEMY	7.1
2	DARIUS ACUFF JR.	IMG ACADEMY	5.3
3	ELIJAH CRAWFORD	BREWSTER ACADEMY	5.3
4	MILES SADLER	CANYON INTERNAT. ACADEMY	5.0
5	JOHN MOBLEY JR.	WASATCH ACADEMY	5.0

STEALS PER GAME

1	VJ EDGECOMBE	LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN	2.7
2	MILES SADLER	CANYON INTERNAT. ACADEMY	2.6
3	JEREMIAH FEARS	AZ COMPASS PREP	2.6
4	LABARON PHILON	LINK ACADEMY	2.3
5	CAMERON MILES	AZ COMPASS PREP	2.1

BLOCKS PER GAME

1	ALIER MALUK	LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN	2.2
2	DANIEL JACOBSEN	BREWSTER ACADEMY	2.0
3	COOPER FLAGG	MONTVERDE ACADEMY	1.9
4	LUKE BAMGBOYE	AZ COMPASS PREP	1.8
5	AUGUSTIN EKWE	WASATCH ACADEMY	1.8



NATIONALS

OFFICIAL GIRLS BRACKET

OPENING ROUND

SEMIFINALS

CHAMPIONSHIP

2024 CHAMPION

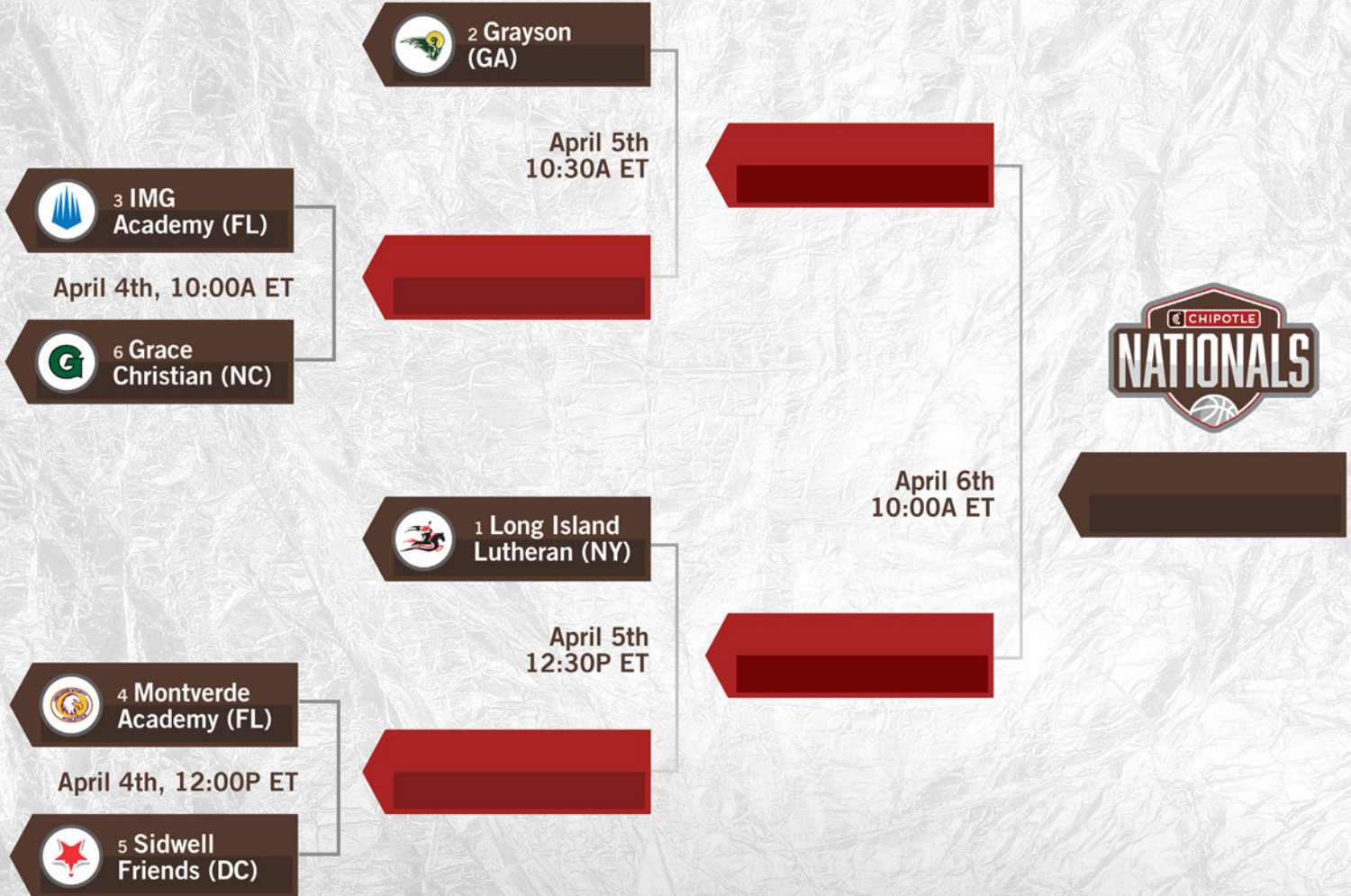
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GIRLS TOP 25

1	LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN	NEW YORK	21-1
2	ETIWANDA	CALIFORNIA	32-3
3	ARCHBISHOP MITTY	CALIFORNIA	30-1
4	SIERRA CANYON	CALIFORNIA	31-3
5	GRAYSON	GEORGIA	32-0
6	IMG ACADEMY	FLORIDA	23-3
7	MONTVERDE ACADEMY	FLORIDA	21-4
8	MORRIS CATHOLIC	NEW JERSEY	29-1
9	HEBRON CHRISTIAN	GEORGIA	30-2
10	DUNCANVILLE	TEXAS	35-4
11	BISHOP MCNAMARA	MARYLAND	28-5
12	SIDWELL FRIENDS	WASHINGTON, D.C.	25-6
13	PURCELL MARIAN	OHIO	28-1
14	INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY	MISSOURI	31-0
15	GRACE CHRISTIAN SANFORD	NORTH CAROLINA	30-0
16	MINNETONKA HS	MINNESOTA	28-2
17	LAWRENCE CENTRAL	INDIANA	30-1
18	DESOTO HS	TEXAS	27-6
19	JOHNSTON	IOWA	29-0
20	ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE PREP	WASHINGTON, D.C.	26-5
21	HOPKINS HS	MINNESOTA	26-4
22	TIMBERVIEW	TEXAS	40-2
23	PUTNAM CITY WEST	OKLAHOMA	27-1
24	MANCHESTER	VIRGINIA	27-2
25	PICKERINGTON CENTRAL	OHIO	25-4

*GIRLS TEAM RANKINGS AS OF 3/20/24



1 LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN (NY)

ESPN #1 21-1 Brookville, NY

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

A year ago, the seeds were sown for the Lady Crusaders, who advanced to this tournament's final before falling 60-54 to Montverde (FL) Academy. LuHi is back and might see Montverde in the semifinals. If so, there are plenty of players that have long memories, and with two more wins LuHi would extract the thorn that dampened the 2023 season. At 6-5, Kateryna "Kate" Koval (from Ukraine) is the main presence in the middle and headed to Notre Dame. Speedy point guard Kayleigh Heckel (USC) orchestrates the offense along with 6-0 Syla Swords (Michigan); all three participated in the McDonald's All-American Game and Swords was New York's Gatorade Player of the Year. According to ESPN scouts, the Canadian Swords "is one of the top, all-around complete guards in the country. She is tough as nails, a serious competitor between the lines, but a caring and diligent leader off the court. Swords finishes strong at the rim, has a consistent pull-up jumper, and is lethal from the 3." Diora Ressaissi, 5-6 Laurn Swann (Arizona) and 6-1 sophomore Savvy Swords are high Division I talents.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

On Dec. 21, two of the nation's top ranked teams were battling it out in Mesa, AZ at the title game of Nike TOC. The Lady Crusaders (21-1) would suffer their lone loss in the championship to Archbishop Mitty (San Jose, CA), 73-72. LuHi had a chance to win it with 3.2 seconds left but could not get off a clean look. Fast forward to March 2 in Sacramento, CA, where then-No. 1 Mitty fell in the CIF Open Division final allowing LuHi to move atop the national rankings. It's simple: Win the Chipotle Nationals and LuHi is the undisputed national champions. The Lady Crusaders carry a healthy 12-game win streak into Brownsburg. Despite losing to Mitty, the quality wins are aplenty against St. John's (DC), Duncanville (TX), DeSoto (TX), Ontario Christian (CA), Lake Highlands Prep (FL), Hebron Christian (GA), Etiwanda (CA), Rutgers Prep (NJ), Red Bank Catholic (NJ), Montverde (FL), Sidwell Friends (DC), Ursuline Academy (DE) and Morris Catholic (NJ). That's wins over nine state champions and they are 2-0 vs. Chipotle Nationals teams.

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

Second appearance, Runners-up in 2023

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
1	Laurn Swann	5'6	SR	PG/SG
2	Coco LohMiller	5'8	FR	G
4	Kayleigh Heckel	5'9	SR	PG
10	Kayla Frier	5'8	SO	SG/PG
11	Olivia Jones	6'0	SO	G/PG
12	Syla Swords	6'0	SR	G
13	Kate Koval	6'5	SR	C
20	Savannah Swords	6'2	SO	W/F
23	Diora Ressaissi	6'0	SR	W/F

HEAD COACH: CHRISTINA RAITI

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 @LUHIGBASKETBALL



2 GRAYSON (GA)

ESPN #5 32-0 Loganville, GA

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

If the Rams need to go with five players, this might be one of the best handful here at Chipotle Nationals. Danielle Carnegie, a 5-10 guard and Georgia Tech commit, is a first team all-state selection while averaging 21.0 points, 9.2 rebounds, 3.9 steals and 4.7 assists and shooting 55.6%. She also was Georgia's Gatorade Player of the Year. At 5-5, Malaya Jones (Nicholls State) is another first team all-state guard that puts up 9.3 ppg, 4.3 rpg and 3.5 apg. Junior Tatum Brown, a 5-6 guard who has several Division I offers, is a dependable scorer at 10.6 points and 4.3 rebounds and connects on 53.6% of her shots. At 5-9, Taj Hunter (8.6 ppg, 3.4 rpg) is one of the state's top defenders and is fielding several college offers. At 6-0, Erin Rodgers (Florida Atlantic) contributes 11.6 ppg, 7.7 rpg, 1.7 spg and shoots 49.3% from the floor. Brown and Hunter have over 1,000 points and Carnegie is on the verge of cracking 2,000 career points. Although the Rams rely heavily on their starters, role players include 5-5 sophomore Zoie Lofton (4.0 ppg), 5-10 Camryn Lucas, 5-2 junior Jayla Bennett (2.6 ppg), 5-9 junior Jahmaica Clegg, 5-8 sophomore Tamera Rudolph and 6-1 Jenaisah Alexander (1.5 ppg, 2.6 rpg).

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

The GHSA Class 7A champion knocked off North Paulding, 65-44, becoming Georgia's only state finalist to finish with an unblemished record. It also erased Grayson's first round loss to North Paulding in the 7A states in March 2023 and was the second win over Wolfpack this season. In the final, the starters did all the scoring with Danielle Carnegie scoring 21 points, making 9 of 18 shots and collecting 8 rebounds. Tatum Brown hit for 14, sinking 6 of 10 from the field. Quality in-state wins included state champion Mount Paran Christian, Wesleyan, Norcross and Brookwood. National victories over McDonogh School (MD), Good Counsel (MD), South Shore (NY), Blanche Ely (FL) and Panther Creek (NC) were clutch, but the Rams defeated fellow Chipotle entrant IMG Academy (FL), 73-56, on Jan. 13. The Rams, coached by Tim Slater, have a dossier befitting the national scene.

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

First appearance

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
1	Malaya Jones	5'5	SR	PG
2	Tatum Brown	5'6	JR	PG
3	Danielle Carnegie	5'10	SR	G
4	Taj Hunter	5'9	SR	G
5	Zoie Loftin	5'5	SO	PG
10	Jayla Bennett	5'2	JR	PG
12	Camryn Lucas	5'10	SR	W
22	Jahmaica Clegg	5'9	JR	W/F
23	Erin Rodgers	6'0	SR	SF
32	Tamera Rudolph	5'8	SO	G
35	Jenaisah Alexander	6'1	SR	C

HEAD COACH: TIM SLATER

 @GRAYSONHOOPSWBB
 @GHSLADYRAMS



3 IMG ACADEMY (FL)

ESPN #6 23-3 Bradenton, FL

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

For IMG Academy, the emphasis is on the student-athlete, with plenty of support in the classroom and a healthy dose of basketball development too. The program's DNA is assembling talent from all over and this year it's from seven different states and international players from Canada, Australia and Brazil. Six players are headed to Division I programs: 5-10 All-American guard Tajanna Roberts (Louisville), 5-6 Leah Harmon (Miami), 6-4 Brazilian Heloisa Carrera (Mississippi), 6-4 Tayla Thomas (Northwestern), 5-10 Sienna Dauer (Davidson), 5-10 Ciniya Moore (Yale) and 6-1 Wesleigh Ferguson (Mount St. Mary's). That's size across the lineup and speed in the backcourt. Additionally, 5-9 combo Kelis Fisher (UConn verbal), 6-2 Canadian Deniya Paul and Aussie Lara Somfai provide more size. Harmon previously attended Sidwell Friends (DC), another team the Ascenders could play here. Junior guard Lena Girardi is the daughter of former MLB manager Joe Girardi, and coach Frank Oliver, Jr. previously led Bishop McNamara (2020, 2022) and H.D. Woodson, DC (2012) to appearances in this event.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

Annually, the Ascenders (23-3) play one of the nation's more difficult schedules. Traversing the nation is the mantra and so is preparing players for the next level. The Ascenders have several quality wins over nationally ranked programs such as Miami Country Day, FL (twice), Bishop McNamara (MD), Mater Dei (CA), Northside (AR), Bullis School (MD), Nazareth Academy (IL), St. Francis (GA), Lake Highlands (FL) and Westtown School (PA). Six of those wins were over five eventual state champions. The Ascenders are 1-1 against teams in the Chipotle Nationals field (lost to Grayson). The season started with eight straight wins before a shock loss to Lone Peak (UT) in the Nike TOC, where they went 3-1 and won the consolation bracket. Lone Peak did win the Utah Class 6A title but bounced to win the Tampa Bay Christmas Invitational title. The Ascenders closed the season with a thrilling 64-62 victory over Montverde Academy (FL), a team they could face in the Chipotle final.

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

Second appearance

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
0	Tayla Thomas	6'4"	SR	F
1	Kelis Fisher	5'9"	JR	G
2	Lena Girardi	6'0"	JR	G
3	Wesleigh Ferguson	6'1"	SR	G
4	Lara Somfai	6'4"	JR	F
13	Sienna Dauer	5'10"	SR	G
14	Heloisa Carrera	6'4"	SR	F
15	Georgia Pauli	5'10"	JR	G
22	Tajanna Roberts	5'10"	SR	G
23	Emma Hart	5'5"	JR	G
24	Ciniya Moore	5'10"	SR	G
25	Deniya Prawl	6'2"	JR	G
42	Leah Harmon	5'6"	SR	G

HEAD COACH: FRANK OLIVER JR.

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4 MONTVERDE ACADEMY (FL)

ESPN #7 21-4 Montverde, FL

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

One of the most gifted players in the nation, No. 3 according to ESPN, is point guard Jalonni Cambridge, an Ohio State commit. ESPN scouts said, "Cambridge is jet fast and brings extreme tempo to the floor. She puts major pressure on the opposing point guard and has a relentless motor defensively. With the ball in her hands, she is a tough cover due to her speed, athleticism, and shiftiness." Cambridge, Florida's Gatorade Player of the Year, is a stat machine with averages of 20.4 points, 6.6 rebounds, 3.1 steals, 8.5 assists and played in the McDonald's All-American Game. Additionally, the Lady Eagles have international players from Japan, Sweden and Nigeria plus eight different states. Two of the top starters are 6-4 Vivian Iwuchukwu (USC signee, 11.0 ppg, 7.4 rpg) and 6-3 junior Lourdes Da Silva Costa (6.0 ppg, 5.9 rpg). Add in 6-0 Chloe Sotell (6.4 ppg), 5-11 Giana Provenzano and 6-0 Eris Lester (Alabama, 7.2 ppg, 4.7 rpg). Six-foot junior Holland Harris (5.6 ppg, 5.6 rpg) and 6-0 freshman Finley Chastain (Tennessee, 5.3 ppg) are key contributors and heavily recruited.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

The two-time winner of this tournament is back and ready to leave the regular season in the rear-view mirror. The Lady Eagles finished 21-4 and are 45-5 over the last two seasons under two coaches. Matt Shewmake was hired last spring in a coaching change. He came from The Webb School (TN) after building a national reputation and made the seamless transition after playing a highly competitive ledger. Shewmake's tenure started with an 11-1 start through December, including a 3-1 mark in the Nike TOC in Arizona before Christmas. In the final four games, the Lady Eagles went 1-3 with a taste of the Chipotle Nationals. They lost back-to-back games in mid-February to IMG Academy (64-62) and Long Island Lutheran (73-55) but did top Sidwell Friends (81-72) before ending with loss to DME Academy (FL), 65-62. Heading into April, the Eagles went 8-1 against state championship teams and were 1-2 against Chipotle invitees. All four losses were to nationally ranked teams.

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

Third appearance, Champions in 2022 and 2023

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
0	Holland Harris	6'1	JR	F
1	Lourdes Da Silva Costa	6'2	JR	F
2	Vivian Iwuchukwu	6'4	SR	F
4	Eris Lester	6'0	SR	G
5	Amaia Jackson	5'8	JR	G
10	Paige Sweeting	5'7	SR	G
11	Chloe Sotell	6'0	SR	G
12	Giana Provenzano	5'11	SR	F
14	Finley Chastain	6'0	FR	G
20	Gracie Laster	5'9	SO	G
21	Ava Albanese	6'2	SO	F
22	Jalonni Cambridge	5'7	SR	PG
23	Kiarra Orphelia	5'5	JR	PG

HEAD COACH: MATT SHEWMAKE





5 SIDWELL FRIENDS (DC)

ESPN #12 25-6 Washington, D.C.

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

Two of the nation's best players attend school in the District of Columbia and were selected McDonald's All-Americans: forward Kendall Dudley (UCLA) and center Zania Socka-Ngueman (UCLA). That's quite a one-two punch, maybe the best in the tournament when firing on all cylinders. ESPN's assessment of Dudley (15.0 ppg, 7.9 rpg, 3.7 apg, 2.4 spg), "her footwork leads to success in the face up game, she can score at the rim and her feel has her running a point-forward role at times for her teams. Defensively, she can guard inside and out." Socka-Ngueman (12.4 ppg, 8.4 rpg, 1.0 bpg) is a late developing, throwback post player who, "patrols the paint and changes shots and rebounds ... she is able to put the ball on the floor and play with her back to the basket," her scout reads. The youngsters have also contributed. Sophomores 5-10 Genesis Schneeberg (4.2 ppg, 5.2 rpg), 6-2 wing Jayla Jackson (11.9 ppg, 5.7 rpg, 2.1 spg) and 5-7 point guard Ava Yoon (6.9 ppg, 2.6 apg) and 5-9 super freshman Jayda Dixon (7.7 ppg, 1.9 rpg, 2.5 apg, 1.3 spg) are the future. At 6-1, Marley Long (4.9 ppg, 3.6 rpg, 1.2 spg) logs nearly 18 minutes per game and is a seasoned senior who will take her talents to William & Mary.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

The previous two seasons, the Quakers (25-6) were crowned the State Champions Invitational but now they move into the main show and a stronger bracket. In the postseason, the Quakers have mixed results after winning the Independent School League AA championship, beating Bullis School (MD), 56-49, but lost to St. John's (DC), 43-39, in overtime, in the DCSAA Class AA final. In December, the Quakers won three games to capture the Iolani Classic title in Honolulu, Hawaii over nationally ranked Sierra Canyon (CA), 49-48. They did beat Bishop Ireton (VA) and McDonogh School (MD)—both postseason tournament winners. However, the Quakers lost to Chipotle teams Montverde (FL) and Long Island Lutheran (NY) and ranked powerhouse programs Etiwanda (CA) and Westtown School (PA)—both eventual state champions.

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

First appearance (won State Champions Invitational in 2022, 2023)

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
0	Romey Ugel	5'8	SO	G
1	Genesis Schneeberg	5'10	SO	F
3	Ava Yoon	5'6	SO	PG
5	Jayla Jackson	6'1	SO	G
10	Marley Long	6'1	SR	F
11	Jayda Dixon	5'8	FR	G
12	Delaney Hughes	5'6	SO	G
15	Malik Hill	5'10	JR	G
22	Kendall Dudley	6'2	SR	G
23	Zania Socka	6'3	SR	F

HEAD COACH: TAMIKA DUDLEY

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 @SFSQUAKERS



6 GRACE CHRISTIAN (NC)

ESPN #15 30-0 Sanford, NC

KNOW THE PERSONNEL

It's no secret the nation's No. 1 player according to ESPN, is 6-2 senior forward Sarah Strong. She is the daughter of former North Carolina State player Danny Strong, and is uncommitted but is considering Connecticut, North Carolina, South Carolina and LSU, among others. This season Strong averaged 21.0 points, 16.7 rebounds, 4.6 assists, 2.8 steals and 1.8 blocks per game. There's more. At 6-1, junior Icyss Storm is another near double-double machine at 14.5 ppg, 7.0 rpg, 3.1 apg and 2.8 spg while connecting on 61% of her shots. Running the show is senior point guard Serenity McNair (5.3 ppg, 5.2 apg, 2.3 spg). 5-9 junior guard Isabella "Isa" Roman (9.8 ppg, 3.6 rpg, 3.1 apg, 2.8 spg) stuffs the stat sheet and shoot 70% from the free-throw line. Junior guard Halisi Whitley (8.2 ppg, 2.3 apg) is one of the team's main threats from beyond the arc. Sophomore wing Regan Lindblom (5.0 ppg) adds scoring punch and Toni Hughes (4.5 ppg) comes off the bench.

ROAD TO CHIPOTLE NATIONALS

It was a magical year for the Crusaders (30-0) who put together an unbeaten season en route to the programs' third straight North Carolina Independent Schools Athletic Association championship. In the last three years, the Crusaders have won three different classifications, taking the title in 1A (2022), 2A (2023) and 3A (2024). Over that span, coach Chad Revelle's teams are 91-4, winning their last 41 games. The team won 80 games by double figures. In the regular season, the Crusaders played schools with enrollments big, small and everything between. Essentially, the games were lopsided with quality wins over Rutgers Prep (NJ), Georgetown Visitation (DC), Elizabeth Seton (MD), Early Legacy College (SC) and Bishop McGuinness (NC). In the 3A state tournament, the Crusaders defeated Forsyth Country Day (87-31), Concord Academy (83-51) and High Point Christian (83-33) in the final. Last year, the Crusaders went 32-3 in winning the 2A crown. The last loss was a season ago to Cardinal Gibbons (Raleigh), 56-53, on Jan. 24, 2023. After that they peeled off 11 straight which carried over to the 2023-24 term.

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

First appearance

#	PLAYER NAME	HT	GR	POS
1	Hannah Stephney	5'8	FR	G
2	Serenity McNair	5'6	SR	PG
3	Isabella "Isa" Roman	5'9	JR	G
5	Reagan Lindholm	5'7	SO	SG
10	Zaidah Spruell	5'5	FR	G
11	Halisi Whitley	5'6	JR	G
15	Dazaria Smith	5'10	FR	G
21	Sarah Strong	6'2	SR	F
23	Icyss Storm	6'1	JR	SF
24	Miyah Campbell	5'7	JR	G
35	Antonia "Toni" Hughes	5'9	JR	F

HEAD COACH: CHAD REVELLE

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 @GCSCRUSADERS



SENIOR PLAYER RANKINGS

#	NAME	POS	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE
1	Sarah Strong	F	Grace Christian	Uncommitted
3	Jaloni Cambridge	PG	Montverde	Ohio State
5	Kateryna Koval	P	Long Island Lutheran	Notre Dame
11	Syla Swords	G	Long Island Lutheran	Michigan
14	Kendall Dudley	W	Sidwell Friends	UCLA
25	Tajianna Avant-Roberts	G	IMG Academy	Louisville
27	Zania Socka-Nguemen	F	Sidwell Friends	UCLA
28	Kayleigh Heckel	G	Long Island Lutheran	USC
31	Leah Harmon	PG	IMG Academy	Miami
34	Eris Lester	G	Montverde	Alabama
47	Vivian Iwuchukwu	F	Montverde	USC
48	Danielle Carnegie	G	Grayson	Georgia Tech
57	Tayla Thomas	W	IMG Academy	Northwestern



JUNIOR PLAYER RANKINGS

#	NAME	POS	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE
11	Deniya Prawl	W	IMG Academy	Uncommitted
23	Kelis Fisher	PG	IMG Academy	UCONN
41	Holland Harris	W	Montverde	Uncommitted



SOPHOMORE + FRESHMAN PLAYER RANKINGS

#	NAME (YEAR)	POS	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE
N/A	Jordyn Jackson (2026)	G	Sidwell Friends	Uncommitted
N/A	Savvy Swords (2026)	W	Long Island Lutheran	Uncommitted
N/A	Finley Chastain (2027)	G	Montverde	Tennessee

*RANKINGS AS OF 3/20/24

MOST POINTS - GAME

- 37 AUSTIN RIVERS**
WINTER PARK VS. CHRIST SCHOOL
(2010 QUARTERFINALS)
- 34 JAKOBE WALTER**
LINK ACADEMY VS. PAUL VI
(2023 QUARTERFINALS)
- 33 R.J. BARRETT**
MONTVERDE ACADEMY VS. LONE PEAK
(2018 QUARTERFINALS)
- 32 CORY JOSEPH**
FINDLAY PREP VS. MOUNTAIN STATE
(2010 SEMIFINALS)
- 31 AUSTIN RIVERS**
WINTER PARK VS. BOYS & GIRLS
(2011 QUARTERFINALS)
- 31 BRANDON ASHLEY**
FINDLAY PREP VS. MONTVERDE ACADEMY
(2012 CHAMPIONSHIP)

MOST BLOCKED SHOTS - GAME

- 8 JORDAN MICKEY**
PRIME PREP VS. BLANCHE ELY
(2013 QUARTERFINALS)
- 7 DAKARI JOHNSON**
MONTVERDE ACADEMY VS. OAK HILL
(2013 QUARTERFINALS)
- 7 DENZELL TAYLOR**
ST. BENEDICT'S VS. LA LUMIERE
(2013 QUARTERFINALS)
- 7 G.G. GOLOMON**
SAGEMONT VS. MONTVERDE ACADEMY
(2014 QUARTERFINALS)
- 6 ADEM BONA**
PROLIFIC PREP VS. SUNRISE CHRISTIAN
(2021 QUARTERFINALS)

HIGHEST SCORING AVG. (TOURNAMENT)

- 31.5 AUSTIN RIVERS**
WINTER PARK, 2010
(63 POINTS/2 GAMES)
- 27.0 QUINN COOK**
OAK HILL ACADEMY, 2011
(81 POINTS/3 GAMES)
- 26.7 R.J. BARRETT**
MONTVERDE ACADEMY, 2018
(80 POINTS/ 3 GAMES)
- 25.0 R.J. BARRETT**
MONTVERDE ACADEMY, 2017
(75 POINTS/8 GAMES)
- 23.0 JACOBY BRISSETT**
DWYER, 2011
(46 POINTS/2 GAMES)

(MINIMUM TWO GAMES)

MOST POINTS - CAREER

- 177 R.J. BARRETT**
MONTVERDE ACADEMY, 2016-18
(8 GAMES)
- 145 BEN SIMMONS**
MONTVERDE ACADEMY, 2013-15
(9 GAMES)
- 114 BRIAN BOWEN**
LA LUMIERE, 2016-17 (6 GAMES)
- 100 COREY JOSEPH**
FINDLAY PREP, 2009-10
(6 GAMES)
- 96 D'ANGELO RUSSELL**
MONTVERDE ACADEMY, 2012-14
(9 GAMES)
- 94 AUSTIN RIVERS**
WINTER PARK, 2010-11
(3 GAMES)

MOST REBOUNDS - CAREER

- 88 BEN SIMMONS**
MONTVERDE ACADEMY, 2013-15
(9 GAMES)
- 70 MICHAEL CARRERA**
MONTROSE CHRISTIAN, 2010-12
(6 GAMES)
- 63 R.J. BARRETT**
MONTVERDE ACADEMY, 2016-18
(8 GAMES)
- 57 TRISTAN THOMPSON**
FINDLAY PREP, 2009-10
(6 GAMES)

HIGHEST WINNING % ALL GAMES

- LINK ACADEMY (BRANSON, MO.)
5-1 (.833)
- MONTVERDE ACADEMY (MONTVERDE, FLA.)
26-6 (.813)
- FINDLAY PREP (HENDERSON, NEV.)
14-7 (.667)
- IMG ACADEMY (BRADENTON, FLA.)
6-4 (.600)
- OAK HILL ACADEMY (MOUTH OF WILSON, VA.)
14-11 (.560)

MOST POINTS - GAME

- 38 KATE KOVAL**
LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN VS. MCDONOUGH
(2023 SEMIFINALS)
- 32 JAZMINE MASSENGILL**
HAMILTON HEIGHTS VS. CENTRAL VALLEY
(2018 CHAMPIONSHIP)
- 31 TANIYA LOTSON**
WESTLAKE VS. PAUL VI
(2021 CHAMPIONSHIP)
- 30 LEXIE HULL**
CENTRAL VALLEY VS. WESTLAKE
(2018 SEMIFINALS)
- 28 KELSEY MARSHALL**
MIAMI COUNTRY DAY VS. GONZAGA PREP
(2015 SEMIFINALS)

MOST BLOCKED SHOTS - GAME

- 7 ARIEL JOHNSON**
OAK HILL ACADEMY VS. PEDDIE SCHOOL
(2010 CHAMPIONSHIP)
- 7 ELIZABETH BALOGUN**
HAMILTON HEIGHTS VS. ST. FRANCES
(2017 SEMIFINALS)
- 6 MAYA DODSON**
ST. FRANCIS VS. RIVERDALE BAPTIST
(2016 SEMIFINALS)
- 6 TIANNA HAWKINS**
RIVERDALE BAPTIST VS. ST. FRANCIS
(2009 SEMIFINALS)
- 6 BEATRICE MOMPMEIR**
MIAMI SENIOR VS. FREMONT
(2014 SEMIFINALS)
- 6 OGECHI ANYAGALIGBO**
MIAMI COUNTRY DAY VS. DILLARD
(2015 CHAMPIONSHIP)

HIGHEST SCORING AVG. (TOURNAMENT)

- 28.5 TANIYA LOTSON**
WESTLAKE, 2021
(57 POINTS/2 GAMES)
- 28.0 LEXIE HULL**
CENTRAL VALLEY, 2018
(56 POINTS/2 GAMES)
- 23.0 KATE KOVAL**
LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN, 2023
(46 POINTS/ 2 GAMES)
- 22.5 JAZMINE MASSENGILL**
HAMILTON HEIGHTS, 2018
(45 POINTS/2 GAMES)
- 21.5 ARIEL JOHNSON**
OAK HILL ACADEMY, 2010
(43 POINTS/2 GAMES)
- 21.5 RENNIA DAVIS**
RIBAUT, 2016
(43 POINTS/2 GAMES)

MOST REBOUNDS - GAME

- 24 ANGEL REESE**
ST. FRANCES VS. HAMILTON HEIGHTS
(2017 SEMIFINALS)
- 19 OTIONA GILDON**
GONZAGA PREP VS. MIAMI COUNTRY DAY
(2015 SEMIFINALS)
- 18 MORGAN SMITH**
RIVERDALE BAPTIST VS. RIBAUT
(2016 CHAMPIONSHIP)
- 18 ESMERY MARTINEZ**
HAMILTON HEIGHTS VS. WINTER HAVEN
(2018 SEMIFINALS)
- 16 TIANNA HAWKINS**
RIVERDALE BAPTIST VS. SETON KEOUGH
(2009 CHAMPIONSHIP)
- 16 KATE KOVAL**
LONG ISLAND LUTHERAN VS. MCDONOUGH
(2023 SEMIFINALS)

MOST STEALS - GAME

- 7 RAHNEEKA SAUNDERS**
RIVERDALE BAPTIST VS. ST. FRANCIS
(2009 SEMIFINALS)
- 7 ALEX RODGERS**
OAK HILL ACADEMY VS. DILLARD
(2010 SEMIFINALS)
- 7 RAVEN JOHNSON**
WESTLAKE VS. FREMONT
(2021 SEMIFINALS)
- 6 HALEY CLARK**
EDGEWATER VS. RIVERDALE BAPTIST
(2014 SEMIFINALS)
- 6 COURTNEY PARSON**
DILLARD VS. SOUTH SHORE
(2015 SEMIFINALS)

HIGHEST WINNING % ALL GAMES

- MONTVERDE ACADEMY (MONTVERDE, FLA.)**
4-0 (1.000)
- CENTRAL VALLEY (SPOKANE VALLEY, WASH.)**
2-0 (1.000)
- PEDDIE SCHOOL (HIGHSTOWN, N.J.)**
2-0 (1.000)
- RIBAUT (JACKSONVILLE, FLA.)**
2-0 (1.000)
- SETON KEOUGH (BALTIMORE, MD.)**
2-0 (1.000)

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