

DRAKE MARET FROGS

It has been amazing to coach this young fiery team this year! The Maret Frogs have grown each week. The girl's have learned how to dribble, shoot and defend, while learning how to transition from offense to defense. In my opinion we have an all star squad! First off we have Charlotte, who can take the ball from anyone and be down the court in a zap. Good luck trying to steal the ball from Lily, she had handles like no other. Watch out for Bella, she's fierce in the paint. If it goes up it goes in. Margaret is one of our hardest working players.

No one will out hustle her. Eleanor plays stifling defense, no way the girl she is guarding is going to get the ball. Finally, we have Alisa who is quick, fast and always making great passes. All in all it has been amazing to coach these girls. They make coaching fun and fulfilling. Watch out for us next year, we are coming for the #1 spot.



PPA HOOPS K/1st grade blurbs

TRACY TEAM MAMBA

On paper we are "Team Mambas", but I soon found out on the first day of introductions the team had already made up their minds and we were going to be the "Blue Mambas". If they were this determined about the team name, I couldn't wait to see them play! Every girl improved tremendously throughout the season! I have to admit, I was lucky to have a team of girls that were just as skilled as they were all excited and eager to play and learn about the game of basketball. Jocelyn always tried to improve on the plethora of skills she already had, and even in game was willing to try something new. Lily hands down was the most coachable and had the greatest effort! Kayla was lockdown on defense and had some of the best passes. The more comfortable Noelle became the more she improved, she's even doing proper footwork ambidextrously on layups during game! Elly had the best socks! My favorite moment of the season was when she learned to use the jump-stop in transition at HALFTIME. Calla was the team leader with her spirit and her jump stop improved the most! Valentina had the most overall improvement, and was always ready to play. Overall Violet was not only our most outgoing, but our most determined player to improve, and boy did she! Thanks to every single girl and parent, this hands down has been one of my favorite teams to coach.

PRINCE BETHESDA CARDINALS

Flying in are Bethesda's own Cardinals! With the biggest personality and also strongest pound for pound we have Noor! Never get in a jump ball situation with her because she will rip it every time. Next we have Alex the floor general, also a ton of personality but keeps calm and focused under all circumstances. Whenever the defense is sleeping just know Alex will find the open player. Last but not least we have our powerhouse player Josephine can do it all, not only will she put rebound entire teams but then she can put run everyone on the floor to rack up points on the board for the Cardinals. Definitely most likely to average a double double!

DRAKE CHEVY CHASE COMETS

This team is full of energy and a fun one to coach! I think we may have the fastest team in the league the way we get up and down the court. Teams blink and we are on the other end shooting baskets. It all starts off with Jacob who will go end to end dribbling through your defense and scoring with ease. Next we have Matteo or who I like to call (double T) who is a monster on defense. You can't get passed him.

Mateo with one

T, now that's another story. He is fast and won't miss close to the basket. Xavi is another one who is fast like lightning and can get a bucket at any time.

Maxwell is an amazing defender. His denials are always on point. Sam can dribble with the best of them now. You won't be taking the ball from him.

Finally we have Joaquim, who has range that extends from the parking lot. He can shoot that ball from anywhere. This team has been so fun to watch improve, because they have made leaps and bounds from where we started. They are going to be a tough out for any team they matchup against.

MORRIS JANNEY JAZZ

The Janney Jazz had a great season this spring. We were pretty much a team of players new to the game of basketball. With that being said, the girls brought it this season. They kept the energy high all season and always were willing to compete every second of every practice and game. Starting the season the girls had to learn the objective of the game but they picked that up very quickly and by game two they knew what they were going for (the WIN). Each player brought something to a great group of girls. Starting with Mira, who brought the energy and got the girls ready for every practice and game and was the ultimate teammate and competitor. Then we have Molly who was an absolute star, Molly's ball handling really helped us this season, she brought the intensity on defense, and continuously put pressure on defenses with her drives to the basket. We have the dynamic duo of Sofia and Boo who both dominated down low with their rebounding and scoring ability. Then there was our lefty, Alice, who never let the team get down on themselves and gave us pep talks before games, at halftime, and after games to make sure our heads stayed up and we were ready for whatever was to come. Campbell was our toughest player, whenever she hit the ground she didn't stay there long and was totally unfamiliar with bandaids and feeling sorry for herself. Lastly, our smallest in size but biggest in heart, Pico. Pico was always willing to get in the mix no matter the size of the opponent, she gave the rest of the girls no excuse to be intimidated. This team was great and I had a great time coaching them. Once they get a little more comfortable with the game of basketball and spend a little more time on the court, the sky's the limit for these young ladies.

STEVEN CHEVY CHASE COMETS

The CESJDS Lions made great progress throughout the season.

Our defense was strong with David searching for steals and hustling around the court.

Reuben could always be counted on to grab tough rebounds and

Benji was constantly communicating who should be guarding who. On offense Sam led the way bringing the ball up the court and when he passed it

to Levi a fast attack to the basket would always follow. Our practices would not have been

the same without Ben who despite his broken arm brought amazing energy. What a great group of players!

JEREL BETHESDA CARDINALS

Elias plays with insane confidence! He sees the floor like a point guard twice his age and attacks the basket fearlessly. He's going to make some noise as he gets older and his skills develop even further.

Levi is a true student of the game. He loves learning new skills on the court and showing them off. He's learned so much this season and I know his work ethic is going to take him far!

Leo is brand new to basketball this season and he has made such amazing progress! He is persistent in applying the things he learns to game situations and has given our team a huge boost, especially on the defensive end!

Dean joined our team half way through the season and I'm so glad he did! He picked up on a lot of new basketball skills in a very short time and has become our secret weapon down the stretch.

Axel has a sick handle for someone his age. He regularly has me scratching my head wondering how he pulled some things off. Watching him is legit entertaining and I'm looking forward to seeing him progress in PPA.

PRINCE CARDEROCK LAKERS

Dashing in are the Carderock Lakers, ready to take on any challenge with their stacked roster. First we have our strength powerhouse, Theo, bringing aggression to both sides of the floor and let's not forget his lengthy passing range. Ready to help on the offensive side is our sharp shooter Joel always ready to rack up assists for his teammates. On the defensive end we have our lockdown super star Jackson who we have seen make other teams crumble. Next, in the paint we have William ready to grab boards and block shots using his height advantage. And last but not least is our scrappy player Ben who will get low for a loose ball and snatch it from another player if they leave it open.