



# BASKETBALL ACADEMY

## NEWSLETTER – Term 4, 2023

### SUCCESS AT THE STATE TITLES!

It was a busy end of the year for our Basketball Academy, with the open Champion Basketball Schools of QLD (CBSQ) tournament held in September. The Junior Secondary and Sophomore competitions were also held on the Gold Coast in October.

Our Basketballers represented our school extremely well on the state stage. Our **Senior girls** had to compete in the wildcard tournament to secure a spot in CBSQ. After winning all five games in the wildcard, they brought that confidence into CBSQ. Recording wins against Calamvale Community College and Indooroopilly SHS in the pool stage. Then recording a big win in the crossover game against Cleveland SHS. The quarter finals was a tough battle against Northside Christian College, the game having to go into double overtime. With a number of players fouled out our girls dug deep to claim a 49-42 point win!



Backing up after a double overtime game was always going to be difficult, our girls coming up against the competition favourites Dakabin SHS. The girls demonstrated their fighting spirit, however they went down by only 4 points. The final game for our opens and the last one for our year 12 girls (Kyela, Mikayla and Kodi) was for the bronze medal.

A match up against Calamvale Community College, a team we previously beat in the pool stages. Our girls were clearly focused on bringing home the first medal

for our open girls' division, getting out to an early lead. They continued to control the game finishing with a 9-point win and finishing the fairy tale season, which included an 11-2 winning record. Coming from a wildcard qualifier to a bronze medal is a great achievement that we are extremely proud of!

Our **Senior boys** also competed at the CBSQ tournament, in what proved to be the 'pool of death'. Our first game was against Marist College Ashgrove, after a slow start we continued to fight bringing back a 20-point deficit to lose by 3 points. Game two was a low scoring game against All Saints College, again our boys fell short going down by 3 points again.

The first game on day two was much better performance winning by over 30 points against St. Josephs College Toowoomba. This meant we had a crossover game against Muller College, a team which we always have a great battle with. Unfortunately, we ended up on the wrong side of the score this time, going down in a tight battle. Our boys showed their character winning the last two games of the competition against John Paul College and Meridian State College.

We would like to thank the year 12 students for their contribution on and off the court. Their effort and contribution to the culture of this program has always been of high standard. We look forward to building on their legacy in next year's competition.



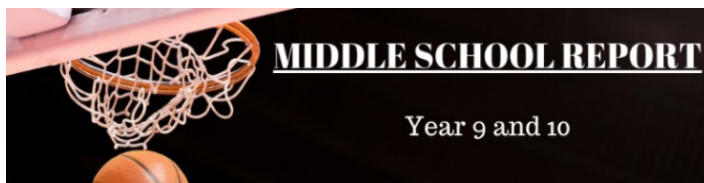
Thank You Sponsors





# BASKETBALL ACADEMY

## NEWSLETTER – Term 4, 2023



### MIDDLE SCHOOL REPORT

Year 9 and 10

Our Junior Secondary (combined year 9/10) CBSQ teams competed in division 2. With both our girls and boys competing at a high level.

Our **Junior Secondary Girls** were off to a good start winning their first two pool games 57-37 against Mabel Park SHS and 52 – 35 against Calamvale Community College. Day 2 saw our girls play the also undefeated Mansfield SHS, with our girls going down, but claiming 2<sup>nd</sup> spot in the pool.

This saw a cross over game against Canterbury College, which our girls won comfortably, moving them into the quarter final match up against Centenary Heights SHS. The girls came out strong leading from the opening few seconds and they didn't let up, coming out comfortable winners.

The semifinal game saw our girls take on Mansfield SHS again. We went down to this team by 18 points in the pool stage. But the girls went out with a different game plan and executed it well. The last minute saw the lead change numerous times, unfortunately the girls going down by 1 point!

The bronze medal match up was against Mount Alvernia College. It was an interesting game with a

number of players fouled out, our girls having to finish with only 4 players on the court. Going down in a tight game, to finish what was a very successful and enjoyable competition. The Junior Secondary girls finishing in 4<sup>th</sup> position.

The **Junior Secondary Boys** got off to a great start winning all three of their pool games. Beating Dakabin SHS 64 – 46, Northside Christian College 78 – 44 and Citipointe Christian College 42 – 41. Claiming top spot in the pool and matching up against ..... In the cross over game.

Another two great performances in the cross over and quarter finals meant the boys recorded two good wins to cement their spot in the semifinal.

Another match up against Citipointe Christian College was waiting and again like the pool stage match up another thrilling game occurred. This time our boys getting up by 3 points.

Boasting a 6 – 0 record our boys went into the grand final against Yarrabilba SHS who were also undefeated. Unfortunately, Yarrabilba came out strong from the three-point line to get out to an early lead. Our boys steady during the game but were never able to chase down the lead. Our boys finishing second to claim the silver medal, a great achievement in what was a very successful 4 days.



Thank  
You  
Sponsors





# BASKETBALL ACADEMY

## NEWSLETTER – Term 4, 2023

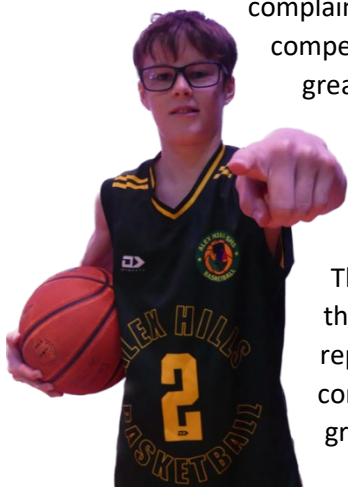
### **JUNIOR REPORT** Year 7 & 8

The Sophomore CBSQ tournament held on the Gold Coast in October, saw both our girls and boys teams competing in division 1. A fantastic achievement for our young basketballers.

The **Sophomore Boys** played in the first game of the day in a very back and forth game, going down by three points. However the boys rallied in game two to beat Brisbane Grammar by 3 points! A first time win against this prestigious Basketball school.

They then went on to have competitive games against Brisbane SHS, The Southport School, Toowoomba Grammar and Hillcrest Christian College. In the final game the boys played extremely well beating Ryan Catholic College. Finishing 15<sup>th</sup> in QLD.

In what was a very tough draw, not only competing with the difficult side of the draw, but our boys also had long days due to the scheduling. Meaning the boys had 14 hours days. The fact that they never complained and were also ready to compete come game time was a great testament to this young group. We look forward to seeing how they compete in 2024!



The **Sophomore Girls**, surprised themselves. Having only three representative players and competing in division 1, was a great achievement. Day 1, saw a

few physical games, leading to a few injuries. However our girls rallied together to keep the games close, going down to Mt Creek SHS and Southport SHS.

Day 3 saw wins against Mansfield SHS and John Paul College. Resulting in a match up against Hillcrest Christian College on day 4. With a number of niggling injuries the girls dug deep in their last, in what was a brave effort the girls competed extremely well to claim 10<sup>th</sup> in QLD. A fantastic result given a number of our players had never competed at this level before.



Thank You Sponsors





# BASKETBALL ACADEMY

## NEWSLETTER – Term 4, 2023

### BASKETBALL ACADEMY AWARDS AFTERNOON

Our Annual Sports Awards event was a great way to finish off a very successful Basketball Academy season. The awards afternoon was held at the Alex Hills Hotel. This event gave us the opportunity to share our success stories, recognise our special award winners and thank our sponsors. Without our sponsors support, the academy would not be as successful as what it is. Their support provides more opportunities for our students to compete in all levels of basketball. So thank you to our platinum sponsor **Betta Auto Hire**, our gold sponsor **River City Glass**, our silver sponsor **Simon Salm Realty** and bronze sponsor **RedCity Roar**.

Congratulations to our award winners:

#### The **Betta Auto Hire** Most Valuable Players

Year 7 Luke & Emilia  
 Year 8 Max & Isabella  
 Year 9 Louis & Brianna  
 Year 10 Orlando & Kaitlyn  
 Opens Fernando & Mikayla

#### The **Simon Salm** Defensive Players of the Year

Year 7 Aaron & Charlotte  
 Year 8 Ethan & Hana  
 Year 9 Josiah & Lily  
 Year 10 Joel & Eva  
 Opens Luke & Dakoda

#### The **River City Glass** 6<sup>th</sup> Player of the Year

Year 7 Jal & Millie  
 Year 8 Ethan & Maddison  
 Year 9 Kaenin & Angeline  
 Year 10 Adam & Izzy  
 Opens Josh & Kyela

#### The **RedCity Roar** Most Promising Junior Male Terraine

#### The **Redcity Roar** Most Promising Junior Female Trisha

#### The **Betta Auto Hire** Junior Girls All Star Starting Five

PG – Brianna                      SG – Isabella  
 SF – Briella                      PF – Lily  
 C – Hana

#### The **Betta Auto Hire** Junior Boys All Star Starting Five

PG – Josiah                      SG – Arron  
 SF – Louis                      PF – Sam  
 C – Lucas

#### The **Betta Auto Hire** Senior Girls All Star Starting Five

PG – Mikayla                      SG Kaitlyn  
 SF – Eva                      PF – Kyela  
 C – Dakoda

#### The **Betta Auto Hire** Senior Boys All Star Starting Five

PG – Orlando                      SG – Steele  
 SF – Fernando                      PF – Tanielu  
 C – Joel

#### The **Junior Girls & Boys Indigenous** Award

Briella & Zac

#### The **Senior Girls & Boys Indigenous** Award

Mikayla & Tanielu

#### The **Betta Auto Hire** Team of the Year

The Junior Girls SPL Team



Thank  
 You  
 Sponsors





# BASKETBALL ACADEMY

## NEWSLETTER – Term 4, 2023



Thank You Sponsors





# BASKETBALL ACADEMY

## NEWSLETTER – Term 4, 2023

### ALEXANDRA HILLS BASKETBALL ACADEMY TO USA IN 2025!

A Basketballers dream, visiting the United State of America for a basketball trip. Academy staff are already in talks with numerous sports tour companies to create the most suitable internary for our athletes.

The trip will take place in 2025 and include a senior girls and boys team. Numbers will be limited, with priority going to year 10, 11 and 12 students.

Keep an eye out for further information, including an information session for interested parents/students.



### 2023 SIGN OFF FROM THE COACHING STAFF

We would like to thank the effort and dedication of our Basketball Academy students throughout the year. Parents/Carers, thank you for your support, it is great to look up in the stands and see parents supporting Alexandra Hills SHS. 2023 brought a lot of success in regional and state level competitions.

This year saw the inclusion of more game and competitions, with the addition of the Redlands Classic Tournament. With updated technology

including speed gates and reaction timers to enhance the training of our athletes and finally the addition of a dedicated Basketball Academy specific teacher aide in Gareth Lyle. His role allowed for our students to be better supported not only on the court but also within the classroom.

We look forward to what 2024 brings as we continue to motivate students to improve within a supportive environment.

Finally thank you to our sponsors. Your support is incredibly valuable and very much appreciated. We look forward to your continued support in 2024!

Have a great Christmas and New Year!

### Sponsorship Opportunities

We are looking for the support of local businesses to help build our program through financial or product-based sponsorship. If you know of someone or a company who may be interested, we would love to hear from you! Please contact Basketball Academy Coordinator, Nathan Powell, by email at [npowe50@eq.edu.au](mailto:npowe50@eq.edu.au) for a 'Sponsorship Pack'.



Thank You Sponsors

