



The 2019 American Association of Adapted Sports Programs (AAASP/GHSA) Wheelchair Basketball Season Is Underway; Championships Set for March 8th at 3 PM in Macon!

Atlanta, January 17, 2019. The American Association of Adapted Sports Programs (AAASP) and the Georgia High School Association (GHSA) kicked off the 2019 Wheelchair Basketball Season this past weekend across the state with games beginning Saturday and taking place throughout January and February; it is the 22nd annual interscholastic wheelchair basketball season in Georgia.

Students representing over 40 varying physical disability groups are competing this year and range in grades from 1 to 12, though most are middle and high school. The top teams in the JV and Varsity divisions compete for first and second place titles. The Semi-Finals Games will be held Saturday, March, 2nd, 2019, hosted by Henry County Schools and Henry County Parks and Recreation at the J. P. Moseley Recreation Center in Stockbridge, GA. at 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM; Junior Varsity Championship Game will be held at 2:00 PM that day. The Wheelchair basketball season will conclude with the **AAASP/GHSA Wheelchair Basketball State Championship Varsity Game** taking place as part of the state-wide Championships in Macon, Georgia, on Friday, March, 8th, 2019, at the Macon Coliseum at 3 pm.

"We are excited about playing our wheelchair state championship game as the third game of the day on that Friday (March 8)," said Robin Hines, Executive Director, Georgia High School Association. "I feel it's important to take this opportunity to expose our fans to athletes who are outstanding and talented. Our hope is that it will be an encouragement for our schools and school districts across the state to provide this opportunity to more kids. And I think this will add to the experience of our wheelchair players to be able to showcase their talents in front of a larger audience."

Teams from the following school districts are participating in the AAASP/GHSA adapted sport of wheelchair basketball, a dual governing alliance in the Varsity Division – Clayton Eagles, Gwinnett Heat, Henry Hurricanes, Houston Sharks, and the West Georgia Wolverines (Meriwether). The following three teams are competing in the Junior Varsity Division – DeKalb Silver Streaks, Houston Jr. Sharks and the Muscogee Lions. [Click here](#) for the full AAASP #wheelchairbasketball schedule.

GHSA formed the nation's first dual governing alliance with the American Association of Adapted Sports Programs, Inc. (AAASP) in 2001 to pioneer efforts in school athletic programs for students with physical disabilities. Through this alliance, GHSA recognizes AAASP as the governing and sanctioning body for adapted sports programs for Georgia's schools.

For more information on Wheelchair Basketball, for a copy of the rules, or how to start a team in your area, please log on to: <http://adaptedsports.org>. Schools or districts can learn more about becoming a member of AAASP by contacting us 404-294-0070 or the Georgia High School Association.

The American Association of Adapted Sports Programs (AAASP), headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia since 1996, has developed one of the nation's most comprehensive school-based athletic programs for children with physical disabilities attending grades 1-12. Many prominent individuals and national organizations in the industry have recognized AAASP as the model for the nation. For more information about AAASP, please visit our website at www.adaptedsports.org or join our conversations on Facebook (American Association of Adapted Sports Programs), Twitter or Instagram at: @AdaptedSports.

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