



Henry Hurricanes to Take On the Houston County Sharks in the 2020 AAASP/GHSA Wheelchair Basketball Varsity State Finals this Friday, March 6th at 3 PM!
Varsity Championship Game taking place during Exceptional Children's Week this Year!

Atlanta, March 3, 2020. The American Association of Adapted Sports Programs (AAASP) and the Georgia High School Association (GHSA) will host the **2020 AAASP/GHSA Wheelchair Basketball State Championship Varsity Game** Friday, March 6th at the Macon Coliseum at 3 PM, as part of the state championship slate that day. The Wheelchair Basketball Championship will feature the final two Varsity Wheelchair Basketball teams – the **Houston County Sharks vs. the Henry County Hurricanes**– from across the state, as the culmination to the 23rd annual interscholastic wheelchair basketball season in Georgia.

Students representing over 40 varying physical disability groups competed this year. The top teams in the JV and Varsity divisions competed last weekend for qualification. The Junior Varsity Championship Game was held Saturday, February 29, 2020, between the #1 seeded Muscogee Lions and the #2 seeded Houston County Jr. Sharks. The Muscogee Lions took the Junior Varsity State Title. The Varsity Semifinals were also held last weekend; Henry Hurricanes defeated the DeKalb Silver Streaks to make it to the Varsity Finals; Houston Sharks beat out the Gwinnett Heat to earn their spot.

"We are excited about playing our wheelchair state championship game as the third game of the day on Friday (March 6)," said Robin Hines, Executive Director, Georgia High School Association. "I feel it's important to take this opportunity to expose our fans to these 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 participated in the AAASP/GHSA adapted sport of wheelchair basketball this year, a dual governing alliance in the Varsity Division –Clayton Eagles, DeKalb Silver Streaks, Gwinnett Heat, Henry Hurricanes, and the Houston Sharks. The Houston Jr. Sharks and the Muscogee Lions competed in the Junior Varsity Division – [Click here](#) to view the AAASP #wheelchairbasketball schedule that led up to the finals.

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 adapted 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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