



Join us in Macon Saturday, March 13th for the 2021 American Association of Adapted Sports Programs (AAASP/GHSA) Wheelchair Basketball State Championships

Houston County Sharks will take on the Gwinnett Heat at 3 PM for the State Title

Atlanta, March 2, 2021. The American Association of Adapted Sports Programs (AAASP) and the Georgia High School Association (GHSA) will host the **2021 AAASP/GHSA Dr. Ralph Swearngin Wheelchair Basketball State Championship Varsity Game** Saturday, March 13th 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 Gwinnett Heat**– from across the state, as the American Association of Adapted Sports Programs celebrates its 25th anniversary year.

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 27, 2021, between the Houston County Jr. Sharks and the West Georgia Wolverines. The West Georgia Wolverines took the Junior Varsity State Title. The Varsity Semifinals were also held last weekend; the Gwinnett Heat defeated the Henry Hurricanes to make it to the Varsity Finals; Houston Sharks beat out DeKalb Silver Streaks to earn their spot.

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 –DeKalb Silver Streaks, Gwinnett Heat, Henry Hurricanes, and the Houston Sharks. The Houston Jr. Sharks, West Georgia Wolverines and the Muscogee Lions competed in the Junior Varsity Division – [Click here](#) to view the AAASP #wheelchairbasketball schedule that led up to the finals.

The American Association of Adapted Sports Programs, Inc. (AAASP) is celebrating its 25th year anniversary this year of bringing interscholastic adaptive athletics to schools. GHSA formed the nation’s first dual governing alliance with AAASP in 2001 to pioneer these efforts 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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