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For the entire wildcat community at Carolina Day School

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VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL CELEBRATES THEIR SENIOR NIGHT

The Varsity Boys Basketball Team kicked off the 2020 season on November 17th, going up against a local home-school opponent, The Asheville Trailblazers. The team had a spectacular showing at the Trailblazers' gym, beating them 60-43. Coach Howard reports that the leading scorer of the game was senior Patrick Thies with 15 points. The second leading scorer was eighth grader Martiste Mills, who scored 13 points. The Wildcats' leading rebounder was ninth grader Lleyton Thomas-Johnson, and the defensive player of the game was awarded to senior William Sword.

On Friday, November 20th, the team celebrated their senior night. Despite students being unable to attend the game, school spirit was high throughout the week leading up to the game, and two CDS Administrators, Head of school Stephanie Whitney and Upper School Principal Trip Cogburn, could be seen in the stands supporting the team.

The athletic teams at CDS are well known for being tight-knit communities, so it is no surprise that senior Patrick Thies mentioned the development of younger players when asked about his favorite part of being on the team. "I really love getting buckets out on the court, [but I also love] helping to prepare our younger guys to take over the program in the next few years."

Congrats to seniors Nicholas Stanier. William Sword. Patrick Thies, Camden Ryan. and Isaak Davis!

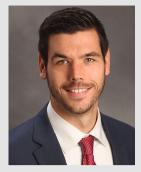


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COACH CORNER TYLER HOWARD - VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL



Over the past five years, the Varsity Boys Basketball team has seen five different head coaches. In pursuit of consistency and leadership, Coach Tyler Howard transitioned into the role to help build the team's momentum.

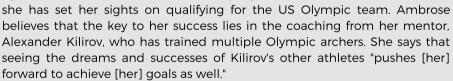
This year, Coach Howard has the unique opportunity to coach a

team that is both senior-heavy and full of young, eager players. "I've noticed that the senior guys have had this feeling of inconsistency over the years, and now they want to change that culture. The bonding has really happened," says Coach Howard. This year, the team has had numerous struggles due to COVID-19, but the team's attitude and leadership has reflected how eager the boys are to have a successful season, which is something Coach Howard says he is very impressed with.



EDITORS' CHOICE

Caroline Ambrose ('22) has been training and competing at a high level in archery since she was seven years old. After coming in first in her age division in North Carolina for multiple years,



Ambrose believes that Carolina Day has accommodated independent athletes well, but she wishes that they did a better job of recognizing the accomplishments of said athletes. "I wish people understood the discipline that is required to succeed in archery and how it is very different from other sports," notes Ambrose.

"From an outside perspective, archery comes across as a very 'simple' sport. But in order to compete at high levels, it requires great mental and physical discipline. Those are some of the most challenging parts of archery."



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SENIOR WILDCAT HOT SEAT 20 questions in 60 seconds



Nicholas Stanier

Class of 2021

Varsity Boys Basketball

Played basketball for 5 years

> Will be attending Tulane University

Watch his interview <u>now!</u> 20 QUESTIONS IN 60 SECONDS SENIOR ATHLETES

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FALL NCISAA RECOGNITIONS

See the full list of Fall Winners in the NCISAA November Newsletter HERE



Will Watson '21 CAA All Conference 3A All State **Boys Soccer**



Tommy Hull '21 CAA All Conference Soccer



Diego Thompson '24 CAA All Conference Soccer



Gea Rotolo '21 CAA All Conference Volleyball



Kirina Shah '21 CAA All Conference 3A All State **Girls** Tennis



Alice Wood '21 CAA All Conference **Girls** Tennis



Caroline Wood '22 CAA All Conference **Girls** Tennis



Caroline Barton '25 3A All State Girls Cross Country



Erin Hovendon '22 3A All State Girls Cross Country



Katie Rudins '22 3A All State Girls Cross Country



Lia Sprouse '21 3A All State Girls Cross Country



Mark Driscoll and Brian Rannie NCISAA 3A Girls Cross Country 2020 Coaches of the Year



Varsity Girls Cross Country 2020 NCISAA 3A State Champions

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