BRIAN EARL CLASS OF 1995





Growing up in a basketball family, Brian Earl knew that once he entered the halls of Shawnee, playing basketball was a "given." Playing for Coach Kessler and the Renegades as a guard and earning four varsity letters in his career, Brian was named the 1995 Philadelphia Inquirer Player-of-the-Year. Brian was a starter on Shawnee's first two State Championship Teams (1992 and 1995), and Shawnee never lost a home game during Brian's four years as a starter. During his senior year, Brian was named 1st Team All Burlington County, All South Jersey, and All State. Brian was named "Player of the Year" for both Burlington County and South Jersey, in addition to being named MVP (over both Kobe Bryant and Vince Carter,) at the Beach Ball Classic in Myrtle Beach, which Shawnee won. His team's record while at Shawnee was an impressive 110-7, and in Brian's senior year, his Shawnee team was ranked #1 in the country by **Hoop Scoop Magazine**.



After graduating Shawnee, Brian attended Princeton University, where he majored in Economics and continued his basketball career for the Princeton Tigers. Brian earned four letters during his career, and Princeton won Ivy League championships in the 1995–96, 1996–97 and 1997–98 seasons. Brian served the Princeton Tigers as captain of the 1998–99 team.

Brian was second team All-Ivy for the 1997–98 Tigers and the Ivy League Men's Basketball Player of the Year as a senior the following year. His career totals of 113 games started and 281 three-point goals are Princeton records that stood as Ivy League records for twelve years.

Upon his graduation from Princeton, Brian played professionally in Germany, England, and the Eastern Basketball Alliance and the United States Basketball League.

Hanging up his jersey, Brian spent four years working for Sallie Mae as an account executive. After a former Princeton teammate asked Brian to join the staff at their alma mater, Brian returned to Princeton University as an assistant basketball coach in 2007, and served for nine seasons. During his nine-year coaching career at Princeton (2007-2016) as an assistant and associate head coach, Brian was instrumental in helping the Princeton program return to national prominence. Earning the recognition prior to the 2011 season in which Princeton won the Ivy League title and returned to the NCAA Tournament, his Ivy League peers voted him as the league's top Assistant Coach in a November 2010 FoxSports.com poll.

In 2016, Brian Earl was named as twenty-second head basketball coach of Cornell University and became the sixth Princeton alumni currently leading a Division I basketball program. Brian and his wife Jennifer currently live in Ithaca, New York with their children Dylan, Owen, and Cooper.

Congratulations, Brian!