



PRESS RELEASE

## Nation's Top 20 High School Girls Basketball Players Selected for WBCA High School All–America Game

ATLANTA, Ga. (February 19, 2003) -- The Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) is pleased to announce the selection of the nation's top 20 high school senior female basketball players to the 2003 WBCA High School All–America Game, presented by Nike.

The 20 players who have been selected to participate in this year's WBCA High School All–America Game will be assigned to two, 10–player teams. The college–style regulation game is scheduled for Friday, April 4, at Georgia Tech's Alexander Memorial Coliseum in Atlanta, Georgia. The game is scheduled to tip–off during "The Night of All–Stars" at 6:00 p.m. (EST), followed by the WBCA All–Star Challenge, which will feature the top 20 senior collegiate players in the nation. This is the first time in the twelve–year history of the game, due to recent NCAA legislation, that college coaches will be able to watch the High School All–Stars in person. "The Night of All–Stars" is the kick–off of the 22nd Annual WBCA National Convention, which takes place at the site of the NCAA Women's Final Four.

"Once again the WBCA High School All–America Game selection committee has done a tremendous job selecting what we feel is another talented roster for the 2003 event. The 20 student–athletes selected to participate in this year's game all have outstanding credentials," said WBCA CEO Beth Bass. "The WBCA is extremely pleased to present this event along with Nike. This year's game is extremely special since we are able to host it in our hometown and bring it to the City of Atlanta for the first time."

Below is a list of players to participate in this year's WBCA High School All–America Game:

Name	Home Town	High School
Alison Bales	Beavercreek, OH	Beavercreek HS
Kalee Carey	Canyon, TX	Canyon HS
Jessica Davenport	Columbus, OH	Independence HS
Dee Davis	Cincinnati, OH	Princeton HS
Lauren Ervin	Inglewood, CA	Inglewood HS
Katie Gearlds	Beech Grove, IN	Beech Grove HS
Jennifer Harris	Harrisburg, PA	Central Dauphin HS
Brandie Hoskins	Dayton, OH	Chaminade–Julienne HS

Brittany Hunter	Columbus, OH	Brookhaven HS
Tiffany Jackson	Duncanville, TX	Duncanville HS
Britney Jordan	Peoria, IL	Woodruff HS
Ivory Latta	McConnells, SC	York Comprehensive HS
Erin Lawless	Berwyn, IL	Fenwick HS
Camille Little	Winston-Salem, NC	Carver HS
Amber Long	Irmo, SC	Dutch Fork HS
Noelle Quinn	Los Angeles, CA	Bishop Montgomery HS
Dominque Redding	Clearwater, FL	Clearwater HS
Alesha Robertson	Plainview, TX	Plainview HS
Liz Sherwood	Castle Rock, CO	Highlands Ranch HS
Dorian Williams	Jacksonville, FL	Ribault Senior HS

"I believe that this is one of the most balanced teams we have had in a long time, which made choosing this team harder than any in the recent history due to the amount of players capable of playing in this game," said Brad Smith, chair of the WBCA High School All-America Selection Committee and girl's basketball coach at Oregon City High School in Oregon City, Ore. "The majority of these players will have an immediate impact at their college next year."

The All-America squad was selected by a committee of WBCA-member high school coaches who represent nine geographical districts from across the nation. The 2003 High School All-America Selection Committee is comprised of: Leslie Davis (District 1 – Maria I. Baldwin School – Cambridge, Mass.), Mary Klinger (District 2 – Rutgers Prep School – Somerset, N.J.), Anne Long (District 3 – Dutch Fork High School – Irmo, S.C.), Derril Kipp (District 4 – Maine West High School – Des Plaines, Ill.), Gary Glasscock (District 5 – St. Louis Metro Academy and Classical High School – St. Louis, Mo.), Teri Morrison (District 6 – Dr. Ralph H. Poteet High School – Mesquite, Texas), Caryn Jarocki (District 7 – Highlands Ranch High School – Highlands Ranch, Colo.), Don Witzel (District 8 – Colony High School – Palmer, AK) and Jack Harlow (District 9 – Bradley Central – Cleveland, Tenn.).

This marks the 12th year that the WBCA has sanctioned a girls' high school All-America Team. The inaugural WBCA High School All-America Game was held April 17, 1992 at Oman Arena in Jackson, Tenn. The second and third annual games were also played at Oman Arena. The 1995 game, which marked the beginning of Nike's title sponsorship was played in Altoona, Penn. The event moved east to Philadelphia in 1996 and south to Nashville in 1997. The game was then held in Hartford from 1998 until 2002.

In addition, the following 20 players have been cited as Honorable Mention All-Americans:

Name	Home town	High School
Katie Antony	Anacoco, LA	Anacoco HS
Amanda Brown	Kennett Sq, PA	Unionville HS
Keisha Brown	Charlotte, NC	Charlotte Christian HS

Cori Chambers	Elmsford, NY	The Ursuline School HS
Crystal Erwin	Rancho Cucamonga, CA	St. Paul HS
Kalika France	Forestville, MD	Bishop McNamara HS
Jennifer Hall	Folsom, CA	Folsom HS
Heather Hansen	Orem, UT	Mountain View HS
Janese Hardrick	Powder Springs, GA	McEachern HS
Victoria Lucas-Perry	Grand Blanc, MI	Powers Catholic HS
Sarah Marshall	Falmouth, ME	Catherine McAuley HS
Navonda Moore	Jackson, MS	Murrah HS
Eshaya Murphy	Van Nuys, CA	Montclair HS
Kristen Newlin	Riverton, WY	Riverton HS
Liz Podominick	Lakeville, MN	Lakeville HS
Kiana Robinson	Brandon, FL	Laurinburg Institute HS
Leah Rush	Amarillo, TX	Amarillo HS
Krista Sanchez	Springdale, AR	Springdale HS
Carlynn Savant	Bedford, TX	Trinity HS
Ashley Shields	Atoka, TN	Melrose HS

Fans can order tickets by calling the Georgia Tech Ticket Office at 888-TECH-TIX (888-832-4849) or by visiting the Georgia Tech Box Office. Tickets for the WBCA "Night of All-Stars" are \$25.00. Lower Level reserved bench seats are \$20.00 a piece or group rate of \$15.00 a piece for 10 or more. Upper level general admission seats are \$15.00 a piece or group rate of \$10.00 a piece for 10 or more tickets.