

TESSERACT SCHOOL'S GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM TAKES HOME THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

PHOENIX, ARIZONA—March 8, 2010—In what proved to be a season-long winning streak, Tesseract School's girls varsity basketball team took home the Charter Athletic Association (CAA) State Championship title for the Varsity B Division, wrapping up the team's first varsity season with a record of 18-0.

"What a great feeling—and accomplishment—it is to win a state title," said Drew Mayer, Tesseract's athletic director. "Coach Boyd did a great job, and the entire team was terrific. You don't go undefeated and win a state championship without an entire team effort on a consistent basis. I am so proud of them all for their accomplishment—it is amazing to realize that this is just our second year with a high school and only the first season we have had a varsity basketball team."

Tesseract opened its new middle and high school campus in September 2008 with its inaugural freshman class. Physical fitness and athletics, including competitive sports, have always been part of Tesseract's innovative, student-centered curriculum as part of its "whole student" educational approach. With the addition of a high school, and Tesseract's new 10,000 square-foot sports pavilion, the athletic program was able to expand to include varsity sports with the start of the 2009-2010 school year.

With an undefeated first season and the state championship title, Ben Boyd, Tesseract's girls varsity basketball coach, sees this season as an opportunity to guide Tesseract's student-athletes and the school's competitive athletics program as it grows and matures.

"The high standards set this season should create a strong work ethic for players in the upcoming seasons," noted Boyd. "Once you get a taste of being on a championship team, your thirst and drive should increase to the next level, and your mindset should be on keeping the same standards, continuing to work hard and repeating successes year in and year out. From here on out, the seasons will be building the Tesseract legacy."

About Tesseract:

A leader in education in the Valley, Tesseract School prepares students to excel in college and beyond, lead lives of purpose, and become ethical and compassionate citizens with a global perspective. Tesseract's innovative educational approach engages students in learning, enabling them to master the basics and become critical thinkers. As a non-profit, independent private school for students in preschool through grade 12, resources are directed to recruit and retain outstanding educators and continually enhance the school's two campuses in Phoenix and Paradise Valley. For information visit www.tesseractschool.org or call 480.991.1770.

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