



TIME OUT

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LOOK FOR A LOT OF ACTION AT THIS YEAR'S TOURNAMENT...

- Eleven of the top 25 teams from the **Boys 5A-Pre-Seasons Rankings**, according to texashoops.com, will be at our tournament: **3.** Duncanville; **4.** Bellaire; **6.** Alief Elsik; **7.** DeSoto; **8.** Austin Westlake; **11.** La Porte; **13.** San Antonio Madison; **14.** North Crowley; **21.** Richardson Berkner; **22.** Kingwood; and **24.** Fort Bend Bush.
- Seven of the top 20 teams from the **Girls 5A Pre-Seasons Rankings**, according to texasgirlsbasketball.com, will be at our tournament: **1.** Cy-Fair; **2.** Mansfield Summit; **5.** North Shore; **7.** Bellaire; **13.** San Antonio Jay; **15.** San Antonio Wagner; and **17.** Tomball.
- Top ranked **Senior** prospects according to texashoops.com include: **1.** Perry Jones, Duncanville; **11.** Toby Oyedeji, Bellaire; **14.** Keith Davis, DeSoto; **15.** Jamel Outler, Bellaire; **17.** Drew Parker, La Porte; **20.** Amos Olatayo, Alief Elsik; **21.** Cody Doolin, Austin Westlake; **38.** Kevin Williams, Pearland; **42.** Kevin Brown, Alief Elsik; **52.** Randy Collins, La Porte; **58.** Joshua Cleveland, Alief Elsik; **60.** Sean Harris, San Antonio Warren; **69.** Derico Dandridge, DeSoto; **78.** Tevin Svihovec, Kingwood; **80.** Jamal Johnson, San Antonio Madison; **83.** Tyler Wood, San Antonio Madison; **88.** Don Thomas; **92.** Sam Ryan, College Park; **96.** J.J. Avila, McAllen; **98.** Darius Richardson, Fort Bend Bush
- According to texasgirlsbasketball.com players to watch include: Len'Nique Brown, Arielle Roberson, & Michelle Rodriguez - San Antonio Wagner; Erica Donovan, Julissa Garrett & Maretta Stubbs - San Antonio Jay; Charlicia Harper - San Antonio Madison; Ashley Benjamin, Arielle Preston, Courtney Williams - North Shore; Ashley Adams - South Houston; Demi Clinch & Kellie Rios - Katy Cinco Ranch; Kaylin Dugie - Clear Creek; Jasmine Lanier - Pearland; Kiara Redmon - Clear Brook; Shadae Shepherd - Pasadena Dobie; Isis Wilson - Pasadena Memorial; Bianca Winslow - Bellaire; Chelsea Jennings - North Crowley; Loren McDaniel & Amy Moody - Mansfield Summit; Ashley Viera - Corpus Christi Ray; Larla Brown, Aly DioGuardi & Jazmyn Johnson - Kingwood Park.
- *Sporting News* ranked **Perry Jones** from Duncanville number 2 in their top ten players category. He has committed to Baylor. Coach McDade says: "I could describe the types of dunks and the extreme athleticism, and those are great. But a couple of weeks we had guys who didn't make their times in a running drill, so they had to run again. He told me, 'I'm running with my teammates.' Pretty good leader, right?" On going to Baylor, McDade said, "They're going to love him. He fits what they're trying to do."

BOYS

- Alief Elsik
- Alief Taylor
- Atascocita
- Austin Westlake*
- Bellaire*
- Channelview
- College Park
- Conroe
- Crosby*
- Dallas Hillcrest
- DeSoto
- Dickinson
- Duncanville
- Ft Bend Bush
- Ft Bend Hightower
- Ft Bend Marshall
- Galena Park
- Houston Chavez
- Houston Westside
- Humble
- Huntington, LA
- Katy Cinco Ranch
- Katy Seven Lakes
- Kempner
- Kingwood
- Kingwood Park
- Klein Collins
- La Porte
- Mansfield Summit
- Manvel*
- McAllen
- North Crowley
- Pasadena
- PISD Dobie
- PISD Memorial
- PISD Sam Rayburn
- PISD South Houston
- Pearland
- Pearland Dawson
- Richardson Berkner
- Richardson JJ Pearce
- San Antonio Madison
- San Antonio Taft
- San Antonio Warren
- Smithson Valley
- Spring
- Spring DeKaney
- West Monroe

GIRLS

- Bellaire
- Clear Brook
- Clear Creek
- Clear Lake*
- College Park
- Corpus Christi Ray
- Cypress Creek
- Cypress Fairbanks
- Cypress Falls*
- Dickinson
- El Paso Eastwood
- Hardin Jefferson
- Katy Cinco Ranch
- Kingwood Park*
- Klein Collins
- La Porte
- Mansfield Summit
- McAllen
- North Crowley
- North Shore
- Pasadena
- PISD Dobie
- PISD Memorial
- PISD Sam Rayburn
- PISD South Houston
- Pearland*
- Pearland Dawson*
- San Antonio Jay*
- San Antonio Madison
- San Antonio Warren
- San Antonio Wagner*
- Tomball



If you're trying to achieve, there will be roadblocks. I've had them; everybody has had them. But obstacles don't have to stop you. If you run into a wall, don't turn around and give up. Figure out how to climb it, go through it, or work around it.

--Michael Jordan

*Teams that are new this year

TOURNAMENT WIDELY PUBLICIZED

Every year we have a full page ad in the state tournament program. We also advertise in a number of statewide and local magazine publications.

The day before the tournament we will see a full page ad in two local newspapers advertising the tournament. The ad also extends our appreciation to the over 100 sponsors who contribute the finances and support, those who donate food and refreshments to our hospitality suites and the many, many local citizens who volunteer to organize and stage this event. Our community is proud to have all coaches, their staff and players as our guests during this three days. We will do our best to make this an unforgettable experience for you.

REMINDERS

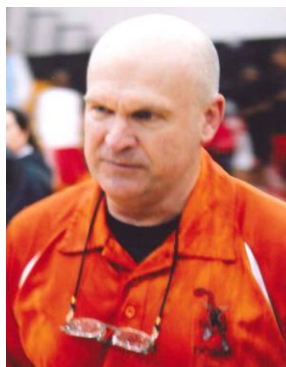
- Coaches Packet – Out of town teams will receive it at the hotel; Local teams will receive it at their first game
- Coach/Player Dinner – Friday, November 20, Pasadena Memorial HS 4:30 to 9:00 PM

- Tournament T-Shirts – May be purchased at game sites
- Broadcast of Selected Games Over the internet at tsrnsports.com
- Check tournament website for all game scores
- Furnish your own warm-up balls. Game balls are furnished
- For any assistance contact tournament central – 713.986.0527

COACHES WILL ENJOY THE HOSPITALITY SUITES AT GAME SITES

All eight game venues will have great food and refreshments available for coaches and officials. Make yourself at home between games and enjoy great food provided by over 50 food establishments in the Pasadena area. It is also an opportunity to renew acquaintances and get caught up on the latest gossip in Texas high school basketball circles.

TOURNAMENT PROGRAM PAYS A SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO COACH SCOTT TALTON



This past April we lost a great friend and tournament supporter and a legend in high school basketball coaching circles. Scott Talton, longtime coach at Pasadena Dobie High School left an indelible mark on the lives of those he coached. Although he achieved the high water mark of 500 victories, perhaps the greatest victory was leading

young men to develop character, integrity and respect for authority and others; to know that winning in life is a greater achievement than just winning on the court. Scott was one of the original organizers of this tournament and always believed that it would be what it has become. Scott's wife, Vicki and son Scotty, will be presenting the Scott Talton Most Valuable Player Award at the boys' championship game Saturday night at Phillips Field House.

ALL TOURNAMENT SELECTION



The selection committee will name an all tournament team for both the boys and girls division. These teams will be named immediately following the championship games. Each division will have a "Most Valuable Player". The all tournament teams

will consist of fourteen boys selected from the 48 boys' teams and 9 girls selected from the 32 girls' teams.

Any Questions?



If you have any questions please call **Rita Townsend** at **713.986.0527** or email her at **rtownsend@meador.com**.

Rita is our hardworking Executive Assistant for the McDonald's Texas Invitational. For tournament information you may also visit our website at **www.texasinvitational.com**. Also, if you would like us to cover any topic in these monthly newsletter updates, please let Rita know. We want to be sure you have all your questions answered.

For all the up-to-date information on the tournament, log on **www.texasinvitational.com**. You can also follow the tournament on **Facebook** and **Twitter**!