



News Release

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Azalea Orthopedics Announces 2008 All-Star Basketball Roster

The Azalea Orthopedics All-Star high school basketball players have been chosen for April 12, 2008 at the UT Tyler Patriot Center on the UT Tyler campus. The games, which are in their fifth year, feature talented high school players from all over East Texas.

Seniors were nominated by their high school coaches and selected by an All Star selection panel. "Over the last few weeks we have received close to 100 nominations from area schools," explains Dan Fuller, Azalea Orthopedics head trainer and coordinator of the event. Fuller says players are selected according to geographical regions East and West of Tyler, Texas. "This year's teams for both boys and girls will pit all region and all-state players on each team with all district players to round out the rosters," added Fuller.

Coaches for this year's Boys All-Star game are Wally Dawkins, head coach of the 4A Regional Semifinalist Whitehouse Wildcats and Jay Jameson, head coach for the Edgewood Bulldogs who finished their season as Regional Semifinalist in the 2A division this year.

The Girls game will be coached by Jeff Smith, head coach of TAPPS 5A Grace Cougars and Greg Gay, head coach of the Bullard Lady Panthers, the 3A Regional Quarterfinalist.

Doors open at 4:30 p.m., April 12, 2008. The Girls game is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. with the Boys game following at 7:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under the age of 10.

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Boys East Team

TJ Riley Chapel Hill
Pat Hall Nacogdoches
Miles Kemp T.K. Gorman
Dralen St. Paul Robert E. Lee
Tucker Glaske Grace Community
Stephen Tarpley Spring Hill
Kyle Ford Whitehouse
Cody Molloy Whitehouse
Trumaine Jones Arp
Cedric Johnson Arp

Boys West Team

Jay Jimenez Jacksonville
Albin Gashi Mabank
Orlando Hatton Frankston
Aric Stroop Van
Jordan Holly Cayuga
Darris Sirles John Tyler
Gralyn Crawford Palestine Westwood
Ike Onwuzurumba All Saints Episcopal
Spencer Denmon Brookhill
Chase Sage Edgewood

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Girls East Team

Kelsey Krupa Spring Hill
Holly Phelps Winona
Ashia Kelly Kilgore
Shatoria Mallett Longview
Shamiya Domino Longview
Bre Agnew Nacogdoches
Nicole Tucker Grace Community
Kayla Mason Whitehouse
Madison Killingsworth Lindale
Tabitha Dansby Henderson

Girls West Team

Kaci Strother Kaufman
Erika Warren John Tyler
Chelsea Chimney Brownsboro
Sierra Kirkpatrick Rains
Staci Hankins Athens
Elisa Lee Bullard
Heather Stallings Edgewood
Christy Pryor Cross Roads
Cambry Blakemore Rusk
Jasmine Reeves John Tyler

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Media Opportunity

Teams will practice at the UT Tyler Patriot Center on April 9th and 10th. The East Girls squad will practice from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and the East Boys squad will practice from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on April 9th. The West Girls squad will practice from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and the West Boys squad will practice from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on April 10th. The practice is open to the media.

All proceeds from the All-Star game are donated to the Bethesda Clinic, a non-profit organization that provides quality healthcare to the working uninsured in Smith County.

If you would like more information or would like to schedule a media interview call Leslie Fossey at (903) 595-1040 ext. 284.

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