



## YES! Newsletter Spring Season 04/01/18

### Coaches Corner:


#### Coach Seneca



With the season well underway, Coach Seneca is pleased with how his Open High School team has been playing. He has several veterans on his team with three new players that joined him this year. Despite having several new players, Coach Seneca is pleased with how well the players are working together as a team.

His team played at the Zero Gravity Northern New England tournament March 24th/25th. He felt that Mandy stood out overall with solid defensive play. She saw the floor well and made key assists. She made key defensive plays in the lane and disrupted many drives to the basket.

The team is starting to gel together as a cohesive unit. Coach expects as the season goes on the players will get stronger and continue to grow as a team.



***“The key is not the ‘will to win’... everybody has that. It is the will to prepare to win that is important”***

**– Bob Knight**

**March 24th-25th, 2018: Northern New England Championships**

**Zero Gravity** held its Northern New England Championship games in the Portland area on March 24th - 25th. A number of YES! Teams participated in this event. Teams participating included:

Coach Walter Phillips’ 5th, 9th and 10th Grade Boys

Coach Steve Carey’s 6th and 8th Grade Boys

Coach Mohamed Abdi’s 7th Grade Boys

Coach Ed Silva’s 8th Grade Boys

Coach Curtis Coachman’s 9th Grade Boys

Coach Davis 7th and 8th Grade Girls

Coach Seneca’s Open High School

**Coach Phillips’ 5th Grade Boys:**



**Coach Seneca's Open High School**



**Coach Davis' 7th Grade Elite Girls**



**Coach Davis' 8th Grade Elite Girls**



**9th Grade Division I Championship Champions:  
Coach Phillips' 9th Grade Boys!!!**



## Mass Huskies Spring Kickoff Tournament April 7th and 8th

**YES!** attended the Mass Huskies event which hosted over 200 teams from across the Northeast. Games were extremely competitive and hard fought. Several of the **YES!** girls teams attended the event with many of the teams a few points shy of making the championship game. The **YES!** 6th Grade Girls team started off winning their first game by only three points and winning their second game by one point. They ultimately won the Championship by 20 points! ***Congratulations!***

### Coach Jeff Doring's 6th Grade Girls



Congratulations to the Coach Carey and his 8th Grade Boys for winning the Division II maine Hoops Club State Championship this past weekend.



**GAMES:** Remember that game schedules will be updated on TEAMSnap typically on Wednesdays or early Thursdays for the upcoming weekend schedule. There are often last minute changes beyond our control. It is important to check your TEAMSnap prior to each game to ensure the time/location of the game has not changed.



Remember to provide **YES!** with photos for us to consider on our sites and/or newsletter via your TeamSnap account. Just log in to your account and click on the media tab.

**Fun Fact:** It wasn't until 1948-49 when two leagues called the National Basketball League (NBL) and the Basketball Association of America (BAA) merged to become what we now know as the National Basketball Association (NBA)

**YES!** recognizes the level of passion and commitment each player must make to become a great basketball player. Players who truly want to excel have passion every time they step into the gym, the willingness to learn and the mentality that they can do better. **YES!** will be Spotighting various players throughout the 2018 Spring season who show commitment, passion and dedication.

**YES! Basketball Spotlight Player:**

Chase W.



Chase plays on Coach DeWolfe's Eighth Grade Boys team. He has been playing basketball for the past four years. He is a guard on the team averaging approximately eight points per game.

In addition to shooting, Chase has strong defensive skills. He takes pride in stopping the component from scoring. He recognizes the need to continue to improve and has set a personal goal to improve his ball handling skills this year.

His primary goal for this is to be the best team player.

Keep up the good work Chase! **YES!**

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