Interview With A Coach



A short interview with Principal Lopez who coached the Churchill—Senior Boys Basketball to a Provincial Championship in 2013-14

PART 1 of 2

Were you a star Basketball player growing up?

Made all-star basketball, but also played lots of other sports. Played baseball (pitcher) at university, but had a car crash injury, & could not continue.

How did you learn to coach basketball?

After high school, coached Gr 10's at old school. Read books from top coaches, had great mentors, studied coaching at univ & attended tons of coaching clinics.

How many years did it take you to win?

Took 10 years to qualify, & 3 more years to win a Provincials.

What special training did you implement?

Rigorous training and practices: Early practices 7am-8:30, 2 hour academic study block after school, & a 2 hour evening practice,5 days a week.

Sports motto: Hard work, discipline and conditioning.

Life motto: Academics first, athletics second.

Part 2 - continued next week

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This Week's Featured Team Senior Boys Basketball 2

Players:

Jonathan Agbayani

Inder Bassi

Joseph Cassis
Ziyaad Hussain

Josh Janda

Abdur-Rahim Karim

Caullin Matalabos

Paras Sanan Alex Tan

Mahtab Virk

Coach:

Dylan Atkinson

Assistant Coach:

Bill Disbrow

Wrestling



ALL GRADES

Coaches: Mr Mar & Ms Robbie

<u>Practices:</u> Every Wed & Thurs, in auditorium, after school

Meets: Sun & Mon, Feb 16-17, Provincials, @Langley

Girls Basketball



BANTAM

Coaches: Martina, Khaye, & Esha

Sponsor: Mr Boyes

Mon & Thurs, 3:15-5, Small Gym **Practices:**

Tues, Feb 11, DT def Windermere, 32-8 Results:

Fri, Feb 14, DT at Tupper, 4:30pm, Games:

DT plays for City Championship

JUVENILE

Coach: Mr Gallant

Mon, 3:15-5, Girls Gym Practices:

Wed. 3:15-5, Small Gvm

Playoffs, Tues, Feb 11, DT lost to Gladstone, 55-12 Results:

Games: Season is over. DT finished in 4th place

JUNIOR

Coach: Mr Chu

Practices: Wed, 3:15-5, Boys and Girls Gyms

Playoffs, Tues Feb 11, DT def Lord Byng, 34-29 Results:

Thurs. Feb 13. DT vs Point Grev at Van Tech. Games:

5:30pm, DT plays for City Championship

SENIOR

Coach: Cindy Lam

Mon, 5:15-7, Boys and Girls Gyms Practices:

Tues, 7:15-9, Boys and Girls Gyms

Results: Tues. Feb 4. DT def Templeton, 74-66

Playoffs, Wed, Feb 12, DT vs (winner of Game 2) Games:

at Van Tech, 5:30pm

Boys Basketball

BANTAM

Coaches: Garrett Lee

Practices: Tues & Thurs, 5:15-7, Small Gym

Tues, Feb 11, DT lost to Gladstone, 52-47 Results: Tues, Feb 18, TBD at Lord Byng, 6:30pm Games:

DT is in 2nd place

JUVENILE

Coach: Mr Choi

Practices: Tues. 3:15-5. Bovs Gvm

Thurs, 3:15-5, Boys and Girls Gym

Fri, 3:15-5, Girls Gym

Results: Mon, Feb 10, DT def Windermere, 76-50

Wed. Feb 12. DT at Tupper, 4:00pm Games:

DT is in 1st place, Playoffs begin Feb 18

JUNIOR

Coach: Mr Choi

Practices: Mon & Wed, 7:15-9, Boys and Girls Gyms Tues & Thurs, 5:15-7, Boys and Girls Gyms

Fri, 3:15-5, Boys Gym

Results: No recent aames

Playoffs, Wed, Feb 12, DT vs King George at Games:

Gladstone, 3:30pm DT is in 2nd place

SENIOR

Dvlan Atkinson Coach: Assistant: Bill Disbrow

Practices: no practices scheduled

Results: Season is over

DT finished in 6th place Games: