

Jena Barnett's Number Retired

Jena Barnett's number 25 has been retired from the Varsity Girls' Basketball Team at Richard Winn. This is in recognition and honor of Jena's exceptional career at RWA. Jena has scored over 2500 points as a varsity team member and has been a team leader, inspiring the others with her competitive spirit.

Jena, whose varsity career began when she was an eighth grader, has received every award Richard Winn offers in girls' basketball. She has received "Most Valuable Player," Free Throw winner and runner-up, the "SAC" coach's award, and "Most Valuable Player." She has also gotten numerous conference awards. She has been named All-Conference three times and Conference MVP three times. She was named to the All-Midlands team by *The State* newspaper.

National recognition has also come to Jena. As a ninth grader, Jena was named to the AAU Junior Olympic team and played for the U.S. team in Boston. In addition, she was named All-American by *Street and Smith* magazine before her senior year.

During her last season at Richard Winn, Jena led her team to the top. She averaged 28 points a game and 12 rebounds. This is especially significant because of the many defenses used to shut her down.

As Jena closes her career at Richard Winn, she begins a new one at Clemson University. Eagle fans will follow her college basketball career with interest and pride. Hers will be a tough act to follow at RWA, and it is an honor to have had a player of her calibre. Number 25 has paid its dues and deserves to be retired.

