

Girls Go to State

After a very successful season, Coach Deborah Russell's varsity girls' basketball team lost in the first round of the State playoffs to Laurence Manning. Our team had finished the season tied with Calhoun, but a loss in the finals of the conference tournament put us on the road to start the playoffs. LMA proved too much for our young team which graduates only one player, guard Retta Melton.

Despite this loss, the girls had every reason to be proud. Several of them gained individual honors at the close of the season. The team's leading scorer, Elizabeth Elledge was named All-Conference and All-Tournament. She was chosen to play in the State All-Star post season game. Senior Retta Melton was named All-Conference for her consistent play all season. Sophomore center Angel Kingsmore was also chosen All-Tournament. Joining Elizabeth Elledge

to represent Richard Winn on the State All-Star team was Junior guard Gina Robinson.

Other players who saw plenty of action this year were Sophomore Rebekah Douglas, Freshman Ann Marie Burley, and Freshman Millie Mincey. Junior Janet Spencer and Sophomore Beth Douglass received valuable experience which will pay off in the future. Coach Russell was proud of the team's accomplishments this year and believes they will again be a contender next year.

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The Varsity Girls Basketball Team: (bottom row) Beth Douglass, Gina Robinson, Millie Mincey; (top row) Elizabeth Elledge, Retta Melton, Ann Marie Burley, Angel Kingsmore, Rebekah Douglas, Janet Spencer, and Coach Deborah Russell.

Elizabeth Elledge shoots over the aggressive defense of Marlboro Academy. She received All-Conference, All-Tournament, and State All-Star honors at the end of the season.

