



Central Holmes Hoops Action



Photos submitted



#10 Lawrence Wiley, #14 Jace Dean (a Junior) defending Oak Hill Academy player (in white), and #12 Brad Robinson.



Elijah Harrell (white jersey on left) defending Dylan Dendy from Manchester Academy (yellow jersey), and #10, Lawrence Wiley.



Junior, Landry Garner, #21

Trojans basketball season in review

Looking back at the Trojans and Lady Trojan seasons

Staff Report

The Central Holmes Trojans and Lady Trojans seasons came to an end in the AAA State Tournament. The Lady Trojans finished the season 25-8.

The Lady Trojans will return three starters from this past season's team, but will sorely miss their two seniors, Morgan Bigbee and Christyn Allen.

The 2019-2020 Lady Trojan season was a bit of a roller coaster ride this season from the 2-5 start, then going on a 23-1 run, and finished with a pair of losses. Central Holmes again moved up from AA to AAA this season. As a result of redistricting, Central Holmes often faced schools nearly twice their size; however, they were able to dominate for long stretches of the season including dominating their district tournament and storming into the AAA North State Championship Game before falling to the eventual state champs, North Delta

Academy in that championship game, and last year's AAA runner-up, AAA Champion Columbia Academy in the quarterfinals of the state tournament.

The Lady Trojans bring back a deep and talented team next season who should be among the favorites to win the state in class AAA. They will be led by returning starters Breann Bell, Cameron Martin and McKaylee Polk who were the three leading scorers on the team. Also, valuable bench players this season in Hayley Haffey, Lindsey Turner, Landry Gardner, Aubrey Carr, Taylor Spell and MacKenzie Ward as well as a large rising freshman class that will be counted on to fill roles left by the graduating seniors.

Final Record, 25-8; District Tournament: Winona 47-25 (W), Carroll 51-32 (W); North State Tournament: Marshall 73-38 (W), Winona 49-28 (W) and North Delta 83-50

(L); and AAA State Tournament Quarterfinals: Columbia 44-32 (L).

The Trojans boys finished the season with a better than .500 record on the year in what was a rebuilding year as the boys graduated four starters and lost the other to injury from last year's team.

In addition, the Trojans moved up a full classification (AA to AAA) and faced a much tougher schedule. However, the Trojans improved greatly during the year and will bring back four starters off this season's team.

The Trojans will graduate three seniors in Elijah Steen, Cade McBride and Bradley Robinson who all started at different times during the year and contributed to the vast improvement shown this season.

The Trojans bring back Lawrence Wiley, CJ Head, Jace Dean, Noah Steen, Ellis Harris and Jalen Webster as well as a large, talented freshman class.