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# Waggener Hoops

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## Waggener Welcomes a New Principal

The 2016-17 school year marks a new beginning for Waggener High School. In early July, Dr. Sarah Hitchings was named Principal. Dr. Hitchings, who had previously worked at Waggener as an Assistant Principal since 2013, was in charge of our Freshman Academy. In the Freshman Academy, Dr. Hitchings did an excellent job helping students acclimate to the rigors of high school. Many of our players have developed great relationships with Dr. Hitchings during their freshman year at Waggener.

Dr. Hitchings is no stranger to

Jefferson County Public Schools, prior to coming to Waggener. Dr. Hitchings had been an English



Dr. Sarah Hitchings—Waggener High School

teacher and then an Assistant Principal at Valley High School.

The best part of Dr. Hitch-

ings stepping into her new role at Waggener is that she is already very familiar with our school. She understands our culture, our students, and our staff. She will only build on our prior momentum to help our school make even bigger gains.

Both our coaches and our players are extremely excited to have Dr. Hitchings as the new principal at Waggener High School.

## Basketball Court Update

After working through a lot of red tape, we are getting very close to starting work on our refinished basketball court in Arthur Drought Gymnasium. We worked with Martin Flooring to come up with a court design

that is truly unique to Waggener. Our goal was to base the court's design off of the newest trends that can be seen in college and professional basketball, while keeping Waggener's tradition and pride.

The refinishing process began on Thursday, August 11. The first step was to strip the court of the old finish. It was amazing to see how white the wood was once the paint was stripped off the court.



## Refinished Basketball Court

After stripping the court of all the paint they then began laying out the dimensions for the three point line, the half court line, the lane lines, and the out of bounce lines. Next they painted the lines and then laid down the outline for the lettering and the Wildcat in the middle of the court. The next step was to stain the Wildcat and the area inside of the three point line. After that, they painted the lettering on both baselines and painted the grey border. Then

they repainted the metal collar around the court. Finally, after touching up some of the areas that were needed, they buffed the court and covered it with polyurethane. We will be able to do all this work while school is in session because we will no longer be using the large gym for Physical Education classes. This will keep the newly refinished floor looking fantastic.

Our administration certainly

sees the value in keeping the floor looking immaculate, which both our coaches and our players greatly appreciate. Waggener's Basketball Court is now the most impressive court in Jefferson County. When people walk into Arthur Drought Gymnasium and see our floor, they will know we have something special going on with our basketball program.



# More Upgrades for Waggener

It is definitely an exciting time to be at Waggener! Not only are we having the gym refinished, but we have also begun developing an Alumni Space and will begin putting in a new rubber track in late fall or early spring.

The Alumni Space will be a dedicated space for Waggener Alum that will contain Waggener memorabilia and a conference table for meetings and other alumni events. Our goal with this space is to have alumni feel welcome back in the building.

Since Coach Dumstorf has become the Athletic Director at Waggener, he has

worked diligently to build our alumni database to improve communication with them; now with this alumni space allotted to them, we hope alumni will feel even more welcome at Waggener.

In addition to the Alumni Space, Waggener is upgrading its track. No longer will Waggener Track Athletes and community members using the track have to use the old asphalt track we have grown accustomed to using.

In late fall or early spring, Waggener will begin work on building a new track. This track will be eight lanes and will be made of rubber. This is significant because we will now be able to host certified Kentucky High School Athletic Association

events which will generate revenue for the Waggener Athletic Department.

The construction of the new track will not be an inexpensive project. To finance the project, Waggener relied on contributions from its relationship with the City of St. Matthews, donors, alumni, and Jefferson County Public Schools.

Our Athletic Director, Jamie Dumstorf, has done an excellent job working to secure funds for both of these projects which will make Waggener one of the elite public schools in the state of Kentucky.

# Waggener Golf Scramble - Thank You

We had a tremendous turnout for our 2016 Waggener Basketball Golf Scramble at Nevel Meade Golf Course on Friday, July 29. With 84 participants, this year's event was one of our most attended golf scrambles yet.

This year's scramble was very competitive. The winning team had to be determined by looking at the scorecard and seeing which team scored the best on the most difficult holes on the course. After looking at three different hole scores it was decided a team led by Trevor

Durham won the 6th Annual Waggener Basketball Golf Scramble. His team shot an incredible low score of 16-under. What made Trevor's team's win even more special was that this was their 6th time participating in our event. We would like to thank Trevor and his team for participating at our golf scramble and hope that they will participate again next year.

In addition to thanking Trevor and his team we would also like to thank our other participants and our sponsors. Without them our event

would not be nearly as special as it is. This year's sponsors included: All Trade, Betty and Urban Dineen, The Bingle Family, BSN Sports, Duplicator Printing, HT Hackney, JJ Promotions, The Kelsey Family, Matt McCall Realtor— KY Select Properties, The O'Neill Family, Republic Bank, Salsarita's, The Sheeley Family, Shively Sporting Goods, St. Matthews Youth League Basketball, Wild Eggs, Wild Rita's, and Woodford Reserve.



# Student Spotlight - Jacquess Hobbs



Senior Jacquess Hobbs is the feature student-athlete of the Waggener Basketball Program for this issue. Jacquess has been with our program for four years and is not only a coach favorite, but also a favorite student among the teachers at Waggener. Jacquess's great personality is

the reason we know Jacquess will be a success in life.

In the classroom, Jacquess boasts a 3.13 grade point average through his first three years at Waggener and has qualified academically for Division I and II basketball with the NCAA. Jacquess has been so successful and worked so hard in math that he was asked to be a peer tutor this year.

On the court, Jacquess has had to battle a

number of injuries through his first three years at Waggener, but we feel he has put the injury bug behind him and he is primed for an incredible senior year during the 2016-17 season.

We are excited to see what the future holds for Jacquess as he has received interest from a number of Division I and II basketball programs. But we know whatever he decides to do, he will be successful.

## Waggener Basketball

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# 2016-17 Waggener Boys Basketball Varsity Schedule

Nov. 15	6:00	vs. Shebly Co.	Jan. 20	7:30	vs. Ballard
Nov. 25	10:30am	at DeSales	Jan. 24	7:30	vs. CAL
Nov. 29	7:30	at Manual	Jan. 27	7:30	at Fern Creek
Dec. 2	6:00	vs. Shawnee	Jan. 28	TBA	Clem Haskins Classic - Taylor Co.
Dec. 6	7:30	vs. Valley	Jan. 31	7:30	vs. Trinity
Dec. 9	7:30	at Atherton	Feb. 3	7:30	vs. Seneca
Dec. 10	TBA	at Hopkinsville	Feb. 4	TBA	vs. Crispus Attucks (IN)
Dec. 13	7:30	at St. Xavier	Feb. 7	7:30	vs. Doss
Dec. 17	TBA	at Bullitt East	Feb. 10	7:30	at Central
Dec. 19-21	TBA	Best in Hoops - Oldham Co.	Feb. 14	7:30	vs. Male
Dec. 28-30	TBA	Suncoast Holiday Classic - Sarasota, FL	Feb. 17	7:30	at Eastern
Jan. 3	8:00	North Oldham	Feb. 20-24		District Tournament - Trinity
Jan. 6	7:30	Jeffersontown	Feb. 27-March 3		Regional Tournament - Valley
Jan. 7	TBA	Kentucky Indiana Challenge - New Castle, IN	March 15-19		State Tournament - Lexington, KY
Jan. 9-14	TBA	Louisville Invitational Tournament - Valley			