

GOODWILL EDUCATION INITIATIVES, INC.

RESOLUTION

INDIANAPOLIS METROPOLITAN
HIGH SCHOOL PUMAS

On Saturday, March 26, 2011, at Conseco Fieldhouse, the Indianapolis Metropolitan High School Pumas defeated Triton to win the IHSAA Class A Boy's Basketball State Championship.

Unranked and unheralded at the start of the season, the Pumas finished the year with a record of 22-6. Coach Nick Reich, Assistant Coach Richard Bishop, and the team of eight players accomplished all of this despite the school's having no gym. They practiced at Indy Parks facilities, where availability was often limited, and they played 26 of their 28 games as "away" games or at neutral sites.

More important than their winning record was the way the team played and how the players conducted themselves on the court. Even when behind by double digits in some tournament games, the team never lost its poise, never showed frustration, never gave up, and played hard for the entire game. Throughout the season, their good sportsmanship, determination, heart, and fight generated admiration and respect from rival fans, community members, IHSAA officials, and even referees. The school received numerous letters, email messages, and phone calls from individuals who commended the team on the way they played and on how they treated other people. After the IHSAA Regional games, which had been played at a neutral site in Martinsville, the character of the players generated a new fan base from that community that followed the team to the semi-state and state finals.

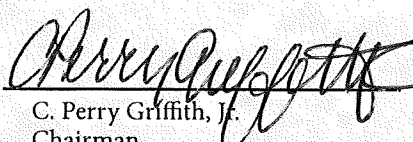
As the tournament progressed, the school received a great deal of exposure on TV, radio, and in other electronic and print media across the state. In countless interviews and stories, players and coaches represented themselves, the team, and the school extraordinarily well. The team's success has also resulted in much greater awareness of Indianapolis Metropolitan High School than was the case before. As one student stated in a TV interview, the team's success has put the school "on the map."

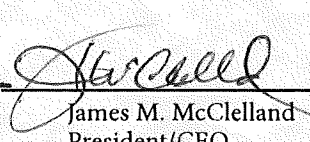
In recognition of their accomplishments and the exemplary way they have represented themselves, the team, and the school, the Board of Directors of Goodwill Education Initiatives, Inc. extends its congratulations, thanks, and best wishes for much future success to:


Head Coach Nick Reich
JerrBryon Graves - Senior
Anthony Jackson - Senior
William Kennedy - Senior
Jared Tapley - Senior

Assistant Coach Richard Bishop
Raymond Green - Senior
Jonathan Kelly - Senior
Reese Williams - Senior
Romeo Quartermann - Freshman

Adopted with deep appreciation by the Board of Directors this 11th day of April, 2011.


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