

Carroll Dragons Basketball

2007-2008 Men's Basketball Newsletter

5AAAAA

Go DRAGONS!!!

Southlake, Texas

www.carrollbasketball.com

Welcome to DRAGON BASKETBALL

Dear Dragon Basketball Parents, Fans, and Students,

We are very busy with Tournament Basketball Season. All of our Dragon teams have already brought home Tournament Trophies. Our staff is very excited about what these guys have already accomplished and look forward to Holiday Tournaments and District Play. Here is a look at recent success of our Dragons:

- Varsity- 3rd Place Finish at Granbury Tournament.
- JV- Champions Keller JV Tournament.
- 9A- Champions Keller 9A Tournament, 3rd Place Keller Central Tournament.
- 9B- Consolation Champions Keller Central 9B Tournament.
- Soph- Continue to build on great 2-0 start this week with games Thursday/Saturday

The official Dragons Basketball website is at www.carrollbasketball.com. You can read post game coverage and see what the local papers say about the Dragons: **Dallas Morning News:** <http://www.hsgametime.com/dfw/school.html?schoolId=294&propertyId=1> **Star Telegram:** <http://dfwvarsity.star-telegram.com/>

Sincerely,

Coach Jon Youngblood

Coach Jon Cravens

Coach Chris Anderson

Coach James Stueart

Coach Aaron Lineweaver



District 5AAAAA Starts Dec. 18 vs. Central

District 5AAAAA play begins on Tuesday Dec. 18 vs. Keller Central at Home. JV, 9A, and 9B will play at Carroll High and Varsity will play at Carroll Senior. On Friday Dec. 21 our teams will travel to Colleyville

Heritage High School. Everyone will be off from Dec. 22 until Dec. 27. ENJOY!

Please spread the Word! We need to pack the Gym.

Richland
Colleyville Heritage
Keller Central
Carroll
TABC 5AAAAA Pre-Season Picks

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Special points of interest:

- Dec. 10 @ LD Bell 9A, JV, Varsity
- Soph @ Marcus Dec. 13
- Home Dec. 15 vs. Coppell 9AB, JV, Var
- Soph @ Central Dec. 16 vs. Joshua
- District Opener Dec. 18 vs. Central
- Please join the Carroll Athletic Booster Club
www.carrolldragons.org/

Dragons Start Fast.

WOW! Hard to believe we are a week away from the start of District Play. I have been very please with they way we have started the season! Dragon Tradition is alive and well. Our Varsity Team started out of the gates fast (3-0) and had a few bumps in the road, but played really well earning a 3rd Place Trophy in Granbury. Along the way Coach Cravens and I gave bowling lessons and really had fun in Granbury!

The JV Dragons are still rolling. Currently 8-0 under Coach Anderson, after winning the Championship in Keller this weekend.

Dare Greatly

*It is not the critic who counts, nor the man who points out how the strong man tumbled, or where the doer of deeds could have done better, the credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly, who errs and comes up short again and again, who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions and spends himself in a worthy cause, who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst if he fails at least fails while *daring greatly*, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat.*

-- Teddy Roosevelt

CURRENT RECORDS

Coach Cravens and the Soph team are also undefeated and have two big games this week.

Our 9th Grade teams have already played in two Tournaments and both have brought home Trophies. The 9A team won the Championship at Keller and 3rd Place at Central. The 9B team won the Consolation Championship at Central.

If you have not seen these sub-varsity teams play. They are GOOD!

Varsity: 6-5 (3rd Place at Granbury)

JV: 8-0 (Keller Champions)

Soph: 2-0

9A: 10-1 (Keller Champions, Central 3rd Place)

9B: 6-3 (Central Consolation Champions)

Meet Assistant Coach Jon Cravens

Jon Cravens

Varsity Assistant/Soph. Coach

Teaches: Health/PE at HS

Hobbies: Golf, Fishing, playing with kids

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Coach Jon Cravens is entering his 10th year of Coaching Basketball.

Coach Cravens previously coached a Newman Smith HS in Carrollton for eight years. At Smith he served a Var-

sity Basketball assistant to Coach Youngblood for six years. He also coached Basketball two seasons in California. A graduate of Long Beach State University. He is married to his High School sweetheart Julie. They have two beautiful children, Sydney and Trey.

“What a great place to work, the kids are great”

Cravens Family

Jon, Julie, Sydney 6, Trey 4

Meet Assistant Coach Chris Anderson

Chris Anderson

Varsity Assistant/ JV Coach

Teaches: Math at HS

Hobbies: Golf, Cheering for the Aggies!

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Coach Anderson is a Proud former Dragon! He was the starting PG on three very successful Carroll Basketball teams. He graduated from Texas A&M with a degree in Finance. Then decided his true love was Coaching/Teaching.

Coach Anderson is entering his 3rd year in Carroll ISD.



Holiday Basketball Tournaments

Varsity

Our Dragons are heading back to the 50th Annual Whataburger Classic held Dec. 27-29. The Whataburger Tournament has long been know as the Premier Holiday Tournament in North Texas. You can get a copy of the brackets, directions, brief history of the Tournament, and info:

<http://www.whataburger-bbt.org/>

We are playing in the White Division and play @ 11:30 am Dec. 27 at Haltom HS vs. Everman HS



Junior Varsity

Will be participating in the North Crowley JV Tournament Dec. 27-29. You can get Brackets on our Website! We play Central @ 12:30 on Dec. 27th.

Freshmen

Will be participating in the Colleyville Heritage 9th Tournament Dec. 27-29. Our 9A Team plays @ 3:30 vs. Lake Highlands. Our 9B Team play @ 3:30 vs. Lake Highlands. Please check brackets on website!

Food For Thought

THE BUILDER

I SAW A GROUP OF MEN IN MY HOMETOWN.
I SAW A GROUP OF MEN TEARING A BUILDING DOWN.
WITH A HEAVE AND A HO AND A MIGHTY YELL,
THEY SWUNG A BEAM AND THE STAIRWAY FELL.
AND I SAID TO THE FOREMAN, "ARE THESE MEN SKILLED,
THE TYPE YOU'D HIRE IF YOU WANTED TO BUILD?"
AND HE LAUGHED AND SAID, "WHY NO INDEED."
HE SAID, "COMMON LABOR'S ALL I NEED.
FOR I CAN TEAR DOWN IN A DAY OR TWO
WHAT IT TOOK A BUILDER TEN YEARS TO DO."
AND I THOUGHT TO MYSELF AS I WALKED AWAY,
"WHICH OF THESE ROLES AM I GOING TO PLAY?
AM I THE TYPE THAT CONSTANTLY TEARS DOWN
AS I MAKE MY WAY, FOOLISHLY, AROUND?
OR AM I THE TYPE THAT'S TRYING TO BUILD WITH CARE,
IN HOPES THAT MY TEAM WILL BE GLAD I'M THERE?"

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