**MAY 2022** 

# **Tribe Hoops**

Greetings Fullerton High School basketball families, alumni, and community. Welcome back to another issue of the Fullerton basketball newsletter. Another season has come and gone in the long history of Fullerton High School basketball and this season was one that will be noted in the history books. After an average start to the 2021-22 basketball season the tribe started to hit their stride entering league play. Every game in the league tends to be a grind and this year was just that. The varsity finished third in the freeway league but had one win each against 1st place Sonora and 2nd place Sunny Hills. Our finish in the league granted us the first auto-qualifying CIF playoff berth at Fullerton since 2008. That is when things really got fun.

We entered 4AA CIF play as the #19 seed and probably thought of by most as a long shot to win a CIF title. Our players and coaching staff didn't see our situation as such. We knew there was a tough road ahead of us, but because our players were battle tested in freeway league play, we had a shot. To get to the 4AA CIF final we beat Santiago HS (GG), Rio Mesa HS, San Dimas HS, and Artesia HS. Of those 4 teams, 3 of them were league champs and ranked in the top 5 in CIF SS 4AA. The odds were again stacked against us once again in the championship game as we had to go on the road (due to CIF covid rules) in a very tough and packed environment at Garden Grove HS. Our players gave us a chance to win late, but fell short losing by 4 points. It is very impressive that our team fought against all odds to give themselves a chance to win that last game. This was the first time since 1959 that Fullerton basketball has been in a CIF final. Four days after playing in the CIF final we had to travel all the way to Chatsworth high school for our division 4 state playoff game. A very difficult task to take on after losing an emotional CIF final game. This is where the road would end for our team this season.

We have had our time to enjoy, celebrate, and reflect on our journey this past season. Our players, coaches, and families had a great time celebrating and acknowledging everyone's efforts at our end of the season banquet this past month. It was a well deserved celebration. I would like to extend my most sincere thank you to everyone who supported and joined us on this exciting journey.

As we start to head into our summer program, our players and coaches are already back at it as there is no rest for the weary. The most difficult part of success is can you continue to have it. Our program is continuing to grow and strengthen as the bar is rising higher and higher each year.

I hope everyone has a productive and restful summer.

Yours in Tribe Hoops,

Erik Kamrath

## Newsletter Highlights

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### **Season Recaps**

VARSITY: The Tribe Varsity hoops put together a historic season. The Tribe took off during league play and started playing some of their best basketball at the right the time. They finished in 3rd place in a tough Freeway League and earned an automatic qualifying CIF birth, the first since 2008. The CIF run the Tribe put together was a historic one. As a number 19 seed, the Tribe found themselves one win away from a CIF title in division 4AA. The Tribe came up just short against Garden Grove High School. This was the first time FUHS hoops had made a CIF final since 1959, and they weren't done yet. They traveled to Chatsworth High School for the first round of state playoffs. Despite losing in the first round of state, this Tribe hoops' team cemented their names in FUHS athletics history.

**JV:** The Tribe JV team finished the season with an 8-12 overall record and 4-6 in league play. After a rough start, the guys pulled things together winning 3 of their last 4 games, including a big comeback win @ La Habra, an impressive 20 point win @ Buena Park, and a wire to wire dominate win at home against Troy. We look forward to seeing how much these players continue to develop and get better next season.

**Frosh/Soph:** Our season summarized was that of hardship and adversity. Through the loses and difficult practices the young men on our team not only developed basketball skills but life skills that will last them a life time. I have been extremely lucky to coach this group of respectful young men and I'm excited for their future endeavors.

**Freshmen:** The freshman team had an up and down preseason. Through the good and the bad they continued to learn and grow together. Obstacles arose, naturally, but they preserved and fought their way to a 7-3 league record earning second place overall. Notably outperforming the perpetual favorite Sonora twice. Ultimately finishing with a 13-11 record, they are small glimpse of the future success of Fullerton Basketball!





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#### **Program Awards**







Mr. Defense - James Bailey



Tribe On the Rise Jad Mustafa



IFL - Ezekiel Yousling

#### **CIF and Freeway League Awards**

- 4AA All-CIF Southern Section Team: Christian Hubbard
  - 3rd Team All-County: Christian Hubbard
    - 2nd Team SCIBCA 4AA: Josiah Reed
  - First Team All-Freeway League: Christian Hubbard
    - First Team All-Freeway League: Zane Mustafa
    - Second Team All-Freeway League: Josiah Reed
- Freeway League Honorable Mention: Ezekiel Yousling









## A Message from the Program

Our mission in the Fullerton Boys Basketball Program is to create an environment that will allow our student athletes to grow as a team, as players, and most importantly as people. Success on and off the floor is a result of establishing a mentality that we can achieve more together if we use our individual talents to help one another.

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## **Rotary Top 100 & Scholar Athletes**





**Varsity** 



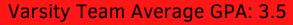


JV/Frosh+Soph/Freshmen





### **Team GPA Averages:**



JV Team Average GPA: 3.23

F/S Team Average GPA: 3.72

Freshmen Team Average GPA: 3.2





## **FULLERTON UNION HIGH SCHOOL**

Summer 2022 High School Boys
Basketball Camp- Donation of \$200
May 19th - August 10th
Freshmen start June 6th

- Forms of Payment -Check: Fullerton Basketball Fastbreak Club Venmo: @FullertonFastBreak

# May 24th- Summer Parent Meeting @ 6 PM in Staff Cafe

Athletes must be cleared before they can participate, no exceptions!







## **FULLERTON UNION HIGH SCHOOL**

Summer 2022 Boys Youth Basketball Camp (Boys entering Grades 2nd-8th)

June 13th - June 16th June 20th - June 23rd

2nd-4th Grade: 9:30-11am

5th-8th Grade: 11:30am-1pm

- Cost -\$75 First Week- add a Second Week for \$50-2 Week Total = \$125





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