



# Ohio High School Basketball Coaches Association



March 2018 will mark the 71<sup>st</sup> year that the Ohio High School Basketball Coaches Association has been in existence.

The association was formed in March of 1947 with the intent of addressing problems the coaches and players were having with the tournament organization. Problems with seeding, expenses for competing teams, the method of selecting game officials and a general interest on the part of the coaches to return to the pre-war basis of having all 16 teams in each class go to Columbus to compete.

Through the years, the OHSBCA has addressed many issues that have confronted coaches and players in Ohio. It has served as the coaches' voice to the Ohio High School Athletic Association (Ohio's governing body) and the District Athletic Boards. During these times, the OHSBCA has made suggestions and proposals about how the games of basketball could be improved in Ohio. The OHSBCA also established an awards system that allows the association to feature and promote the great accomplishments that have been made in Ohio Basketball. With a huge membership, the OHSBCA have been able to make a strong statement about Ohio basketball and its proud tradition. The association is also planning for a bright future in the state of Ohio.

## Highlights from the Past Year

- In March, OHSBCA named 40 boys and 40 girls to their "Academic All-Ohio" teams.
- Awarded fifteen \$1000 scholarships to sons and daughters of OHSBCA members.
- Named 8 people (Ex.: sportswriters, officials, radio announcers, etc.) from around the state to the "Hall of Honor" for their contributions to high school basketball.
- In April, the OHSBCA hosted their annual All-State games. Boys at Otterbein University & Girls at Denison University.
- In April, the OHSBCA held their annual Underclassman Showcase for both boys and girls. Close to 200 student-athletes participated.
- Inducted 4 coaches and 1 contributor into the OHSBCA Hall of Fame.
- Recognized 4 boys basketball coaches and 4 girls basketball coaches as OHSBCA "Coaches-of-the-Year".
- Recognized 4 boys and 4 girls as OHSBCA "Players-of-the-Year".
- The OHSBCA hosted their annual Fall Coaches Clinic where they introduced new Ohio State University Head Coach, Chris Holtmann.