

2017 “Points of Pride”- Oregon Basketball Coaches Association (OBCA)

1. The **OBCA** is in the second year of existence. We have an executive board, regional representatives, and coordinators, all which are in place making significant strides in representing Oregon High School Basketball Coaches. We continue to work closely with the Oregon Athletic Coaches Association to unite and promote Oregon high school basketball coaches.
2. The ***Nike/Oregon Athletic Coaches Association Basketball Coaches Clinic*** conducted the 10th annual coach’s clinic at Liberty High School with 350 coaches attending. The first clinic, in 2008, had 80 coaches attending. We have had speakers from all over the country present along with breakout sessions featuring successful high school coaches from Oregon. Some of our speakers have been Mark Few, Ernie Kent, Dana Altman, Wayne Tinkle, Scott Rueck, Seth Greenberg, and many others.
3. The ***22nd Annual Les Schwab Invitational*** will take place at Liberty High School December 27-30 featuring Crespi High School, Oak Hill Academy, and Mater Dei High School along with 13 of the best Oregon high school teams. The ***LSI Invitational*** is one of the top high school tournaments in the country, and we are proud of how well our local teams have competed against some of the best nationally ranked teams.
4. The **OBCA** is proud of the ***University of Oregon*** men’s basketball team for reaching the **Final Four** in 2017 along with the Oregon State University women’s basketball team making it to the Sweet 16 and finishing their season with a record of 31-5. Both Coach Altman from University of Oregon and Coach Rueck from Oregon State University have spoken at our coach’s clinic and have been very supportive of the OBCA.
5. The **OBCA** is proud to know it has had a significant influence on some positive changes in Oregon high school basketball. This season a pilot program is in place to allow more contact for high school coaches, including basketball, to work with larger numbers of athletes in the off-season. In addition, an effort is under way to evaluate the need and desire for a shot-clock and take the necessary steps to represent the position of the high school basketball coaches.