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Program Update

SPECIAL CONTEST!!!



WIN A FREE SPOT!!

With summer approaching rapidly, we are excited to announce a contest we are running through our Facebook page! Families can win the opportunity to enroll in our 2017 summer or fall program 100% free! Please click [here](#) for details.

The Spring Program is winding down with playoffs coming up in the next week. We have a great group of players and it has been a pleasure to watch them improve their fundamentals and habits!

These players have learned a great fundamental base to build upon, and as they continue through the program they will be introduced to more and more advanced skills!

Registration for our summer program is now available. Please click [here](#) to register on our website. Our spring program was full and summer registration has been very popular, sign up now! We will be focusing more on team defense and team offense, while the spring focus was more on individual skill development.

Players of the Month



5th Prime Blue after winning the Oakland Soldier's Spring Hoops Festival.

ASA and Prime's success has always been about the hard work of our players and their improvement over the years in our program. Nobody works harder in practices and workouts than our players, but it's the motivation to take the skills and drills we teach home and master them that makes some of our players stand out over the years!

We would like to recognize the following players for standing out in April with their work ethic and performance on the court:

ASA SPRING PROGRAM:

- **Carver Dixon:** Carver is a standout in both practices and game with his relentless effort and physical play. As a 2nd grader, Carver is one of our youngest players ever and he has a VERY bright future as he is learning fundamentals and more importantly improving his ability to play hard all of the time!
- **Luke Galer:** Luke is a player who has the potential to be as good as he wants to be. He has been a force in games and his skill level has improved immensely this spring. We are excited to have Luke and believe he will be one of the best we've had someday!

PRIME:

- **Amall Wahidi:** Amall is on our 4th Green team which has become one of the most improved teams in our program. Amall's leadership and great effort is a big part of it, he brings his best effort every day and is improving constantly. We are excited to see him continue to grow in the next four years of Prime!
- **Josh Ochoa:** Josh really stands out with his effort in practice and his communication, skills we value here at ASA. With this being his first year in the program, we are excited to see him improve rapidly as the fundamentals become habits. We feel very fortunate to be able to work with Josh!

Alumni Success On the Court

With the completion of another season of high school basketball, it has been refreshing to see our players shine at the next levels. Over 100 former ASA players competed on Varsity teams throughout the area, with 19 earning All-League honors. We had 22 players competing at the college level this season, a number that looks to grow significantly with our first group of Prime players graduating this summer and moving on to the next level. We are so proud of these players and all of the ASA/Prime family!



Patrick Marr - Junior at
Cal State East Bay

[Click here to see a list of our alumni currently playing Varsity, collegiately, and professionally](#)

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT:

PATRICK MARR - JUNIOR - CAL STATE EAST BAY

Patrick started ASA as a 5th grader as a player fairly new to the game, and quickly blossomed in the ASA program. He always stood out with his work ethic, leading some of the best ASA teams we've ever had. Although Patrick was always a great defender and rebounder, his improvement in shooting and finishing around the basket with either hand is legendary. As with many of our players, Patrick thrived at the high school level as a leader on several state playoff contending teams at De La Salle High School.

Patrick has enjoyed success playing at the college level. As a Freshman, Patrick came in very prepared and started 17 games, playing in all 28. As a Sophomore he played in 25 games and shot 74% from the free throw line and 36% from beyond the three. At 6'7 and 230 pounds, Patrick has a unique ability to stretch the defense with his outside shot! After redshirting this past season, we look forward to a great Junior and Senior year for Patrick!

Words from Patrick Marr: *"ASA is where true basketball started for me. They taught me everything that I use today in basketball and real life. They taught me a work ethic that does not allow me to give up and that I can do anything if I put in the work! Coach Frankie is also a huge part of my success because he believed in me when others did not. I cannot thank all the coaches from ASA enough because they gave everything they had to me to help me accomplish my dream of becoming a college basketball player!"*

Congratulations to ASA coach Troy Faulk



Troy Faulk, ASA coach for the past 3 years, stepped down at College Park to spend time with his young family at College Park

We wanted to Congratulate Troy Faulk, former head coach at College Park High School, who recently decided to step away from the high school level to spend time with his family. In three years at College Park, Troy had the Falcons on a roll winning 2 DVAL championships and helping fundraise and improve the athletic facilities for the student athletes at College Park. We are blessed to have Troy as a part of the ASA family and hope to see him on the court on a regular basis working with ASA players.

Great job Troy, we are VERY proud of you!

Click [here](#) to read an article about Troy written by the Athletic Director

Spotlight Drill Series of the Month

This month we spotlight the jab series, something every great scorer at the highest level has mastered. Unfortunately in the youth scene these type of moves are referred to as "fundamental" in almost a negative way, but we know that the majority of elite players in AAU basketball can't execute these type of moves. Once you dribble you've eliminated over half your moves, and great players can score with the dribble but also can be efficient and score in zero or 1 dribble when necessary. Please see the short video below to learn more about the "Jab Series":



Jab Series

Social Media Update

We deliver a lot of great content on our Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram pages. We plan on providing training videos, motivational materials, and even live streams of our practices and workouts! Our plan is to continue to try to educate parents and players on what to work on at home, and even perhaps watch a practice and learn from our coaches from home! Please connect with us:



Thank you for reading about some exciting news and developments within our ASA family! Players, keep working on your game on a daily basis, all you need is a ball, a basket, and a passion to be the best you can be! We hope to see you on the court in 2017!

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