

MIDDLE ATLANTIC SPORTS NEWS/LLHoops.com PENNSYLVANIA BOYS BASKETBALL RATINGS

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January 10, 2005

1. Philadelphia St. John Neumann-St. Maria Goretti (12-0) (Philadelphia Catholic League)

Opened 2005 with 65-55 win over Philadelphia West Catholic. **Derrick Rivera** led with 22pts, **David Burton** had 16pts and **Antonio "Scoop" Jardine** scored 11pts. Then earned hard fought 66-58 win over Roman Catholic. **Derrick Rivera** led with 20pts **Earl Pettis** had 16pts and **Antonio Jardine** 15pts. Then defeated Monsignor Bonner 75-50. **Jardine** led with 21pts and **Pettis** added 11pts, 8 boards and 5 assists.

2. Episcopal Academy (12-1) (Philadelphia Inter-Academic League)

The Churchmen began the new year with a 69-32 rout of Germantown Friends. **Gerald Henderson** was the only double-figure scorer leading with 20pts. Came back and got 30pts from **Gerald Henderson** (20) and **Wayne Ellington** (10) in a 59-32 win over Friends Central. 6-7 jr center **Mike Yocum** scored 11pts in the win. Also crushed Haverford School 55-22 to open Inter-Ac League season. Led 49-8 after three quarters in this big win. **Ellington** led with 19pts, followed by **Henderson** with 15pts and **Yocum** with 10pts.

3. Philadelphia Germantown Academy (14-2) (Philadelphia Inter-Academic League)

Starts off the new year with a 73-60 win over Hun School, New Jersey. **Andrew Ott** led with 23pts, **Ryan Ayers** had 19pts, **Kyle Griffin** had 16pts and **Brian Grimes** added 15pts. Opened Inter-Ac League schedule with 53-39 victory over Chestnut Hill Academy. **Griffin** led with 15pts, **Grimes** had 13pts and **Ott** added 11pts.

4. Chester (7-5) (District 1 AAAA)

Opened new year, by pounding Del-Val League foe Chichester 90-61. **Darrin Govens** scored 20pts to lead the way. Clippers defeated Harriton 77-59 as **Noel Wilmore** scored 27pts, **Devon McClendon** 21pts and **Kenny Tribbett** 17pts. Finished three win week with easy 76-56 win over Philadelphia Strawberry Mansion. **Govens** led with 18pts, **McClendon** had 15pts, **Wilmore** 12pts and **Charles Swiggett** had 10 pts. **McClendon** scored his 1000th point in the game and became the 16th Clipper to join the 1000 point club.

5. Harrisburg (12-0) (District 3 AAAA)

In first game of new year, Cougars overcome a 28-23 halftime deficit with a 25-7 third quarter on the way to a 73-59 victory over Central Dauphin. **Jamal Jackson** led with 21pts, **William Royal** had 18pts and **Alfonso Dawson** had 12pts. Broke out on top early in big game with Steelton-Highspire and after Steelton had tied the game at 10 they went on a 23-2 tear to lead by 33-12 before the Rollers pulled to within 59-56 in fourth quarter. But the Cougars who used their height and depth advantage all night pulled away down the stretch for a big 76-63 victory. **Alphonso Dawson** had a monster game and led with 26pts and **Jamal Jackson** racked up 21 more.

6. Philadelphia St. Joseph's Prep (13-1) (Philadelphia Catholic League)

The Hawks used a 19-10 fourth quarter to defeat Roman Catholic 57-50 as **Reggie Redding** led with 20pts, **Corey O'Rourke** added 14pts and **Joe Fox** had 13pts. Then **Redding** led with 14pts, **Fox** scored 13pts and **O'Rourke** added 11pts in a big 67-36 win over Kennedy-Kenrick. On Sunday they defeated West Catholic 54-42. 6-1 jr **Dave Stefanski** led the Hawks with 12pts and **Redding**, **O'Rourke** (8rebs) and **Fox** all scored 11pts apiece.

7. Steelton-Highspire (13-1) (AAA)

Rollers blasted Cedar Cliff 79-44 in warm up for big game with Harrisburg. **Tristan Crawford** led with 21pts and **Tramayne Hawthorne** had 18pts. The Rollers fought back hard but just ran out of gas in the 76-63 loss to Harrisburg. **Tristan Crawford** had his usual big game, after a slow start, and ended with a game-high 27pts, but **Tramayne Hawthorne** was held to only 11pts. **Sean Alexander** had a good game and scored 15pts in the loss.

8. Philadelphia Roman Catholic (8-4) (Philadelphia Catholic League)

Cahillites rating doesn't change much after losses to Neumann-Goretti and St. Joe Prep. Roman gets their annual loss to Speed Morris and St. Joe Prep, losing 57-50. **Mike Ringgold**, led with 14pts and **Malik Perry** and **Bill Lally** both scored 10pts. Suffers 2nd consecutive Catholic South loss, this time to #1 Neumann-Goretti, 66-58. **Mike Ringgold** again led with 22pts, **Malik Perry** had 16pts and **Bradley Wanamaker** had 15pts.

9. Cheltenham (11-3) (District 1 AAAA)

The Panthers opened 2005 with a resounding 79-33 romp over Springfield Montco. **Patrick Fleury** led 10-players into the scoring column with 21pts **Patrick Mansell** had 16pts and **Chris Pender** scored 10pts. Then lost on the road to a very good Plymouth-Whitemarsh 65-59. **Pat Mansell** led with 23pts, **Harris Mansell** had 18pts and **Fleury** added 10pts. Bounced back from the loss with a 56-36 romp over Abington. **Fleury** led with 21pts. **Harris Mansell** had 17pts and **Pat Mansell** added 16pts.

10. Philadelphia Simon Gratz (10-5) (Philadelphia Public League-District 12 AAAA)

Bulldogs open up 2005 by slaughtering Pub foe Swenson 97-29. They outscored them 44-3 in the second half. **Malik Alvin** was high with 23pts, **Syheem Perkins** had 16pts, **Ameer Ali** had 12 pts and **Raheem Miller** scored 10pts. Then defeated a good Bok Tech team 74-56 as **Ali** scored 20pts, **Abdullah Moon** 12pts, **Alvin** and **Miller** had 11pts apiece.

11. Erie Cathedral Prep (11-2) (District 10 AAAA)

Played their first game in District 10's new Region 6 and walked away with a 60-50 victory over Erie Central at the Hammermill Center. Prep's **Nick Haller** led the Ramblers with 16pts and **Cory Knight** added 15pts. Then Prep led 25-12 after the first quarter and 42-16 at the half on the way to a resounding 84-44 victory over George Junior Republic. In no way does this GJR team resemble their teams of the past. **Mark Blazek** led with 12pts, **Nick Haller** had 11pts. **Matt Pluta** had 9pts and five other players scored 7-points.

12. McKeesport (13-1) (District 7 AAAA)

Robert Doily hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer as McKeesport escaped with a 42-41 win over Plum. Came back and blasted Woodland Hills 66-32 as **Asown Sayles** had 25pts and 11rebs. **Robert Doiley** added 10pts.

13. Whitehall (14-1) (District 11 AAAA)

The Zephyrs start the new year with a 39-29 win over Nazareth. **Matt Zwetolitz** scored 14pts in the road win. Came back and defeated Northampton 55-42 with **Matt Zwetolitz** scoring a game-high 18pts and **Jason Greene** hitting for 16pts. Got third win of week, by blasting a good Bethlehem Catholic team 61-31. **Greene** led with 23pts, 7 assists, 5 steals. The Zephs made 12-of-15 shots in the first half and led 32-15. **Kyle Conrad** added 11 pts.

14. Pittsburgh Schenley (11-3) (Pittsburgh City-District 8 AAAA)

Opened new year with 73-50 win over Pittsburgh Westinghouse and then defeated Pittsburgh Allerdice 47-37..

15. State College (10-1) (District 6 AAAA)

Moving up slowly but surely after some big wins. The Little Lions opened 2005 with a 53-38 win over Altoona. **Eric Meister** led with 20pts and **Keith Hardin** had 10pts. Then got revenge for two losses last year to defending AAAA state champion, Penn Hills, with a very impressive 70-48 victory. **Keith Hardin** had a big game with 19pts and 10rebs and **Eric Meister** had 16 of his 18pts in the second half and also grabbed 10rebs, after being on the bench entire second quarter in foul trouble. **Brady Hart** added 10 points to the cause,

16. Philadelphia Central (14-1) Philadelphia Public League-District 12 AAAA)

In the Lancers first game of the new year they defeated Overbrook 53-49 after leading 27-15 at the first quarter stop. **Scott Rodgers** scored 19pts and **Kenny St. George** 16pts to lead. Then they defeated West Philadelphia 73-58. High scoring **Scott Rodgers** had 38pts, **Kenny St. George** 12 and **Andre Woodlin** added 11pts. Also defeated Philadelphia Cardinal Dougherty 68-63.

17. Plymouth-Whitemarsh (11-2) (District 1 AAAA)

Opened the new year with a 67-43 victory over Methacton. **Thomas Young** led with 30pts, **Da'Rel Scott** had 14pts and **Lance Wilson** added 13. In the 65-59 win over Cheltenham, **Ronald Moore** led with 19pts, **Young** had 17pts, **Scott** 15pts and **Wilson** 12pts. Blasted North Penn 75-33 as **Moore** scored 17pts, **Young** 14pts and **Wilson** 12pts. We did not overlook the win over Cheltenham. But it was at home and the two were separated too far in first rating to make a big change for now. Cheltenham does have a win over Simon Gratz, a win in a scrimmage over Central who defeated P-W and a close loss on the road at Harrisburg. So for now they will parted further than we would like.

18. Beaver Falls (12-2) (District 7 AA)

Leading only 30-28 at the half, Beaver Falls exploded in the second half for an 84-48 win over Freedom. **Lance Jeter** with 21pts and **Jack Anderson** with 14pts led 13 Tigers into the scoring column. Raced to a 50-28 halftime lead and went on to crush Aliquippa 80-51 in big AA showdown. The Tigers completely dominated this game and cemented their hold as the #1 AA team in the state. **Lance Jeter** led with 21pts, **Jack Anderson** added 21pts to the win.

19. Ridley (11-3) (District 1 AAAA)

The Green Raiders opened the new year with their third consecutive loss to drop down in the ratings. They are still the **Central League** favorites and they bounced back with two big wins. After leading 27-21 at the half against Springfield Delco, Ridley still led 35-32 after the third quarter, but lost in overtime 54-52. **Dino Vasso** led Ridley with 14pts. **Kevin Egee** had 12pts and **Matt McDevitt** added 11pts. Next they took a 27-14 first quarter lead on the way to a 65-51 win over Strath Haven. **Kevin**

Egee led with 23pts, **McDevitt** had 15pts and **Kenny Elkind** added 12pts. Then crushed Upper Darby 65-33 after leading 41-10 at the half. **McDevitt** led with 23pts, **Elkind** had 15 and **Kevin Egee** 13pts.

20. Allentown Central Catholic (13-1) (District 11 AAA)

The Vikings hit 6-foul shots in the last 83 seconds and eked out a 42-39 win over Easton. **Andy Heimbach** scored 10pts to lead the Vikes. Defeated Nazareth 69-32 as **Ray Straccla** scored 14pts. **Andy Heimbach** added 11pts. Then took a 20-5 lead after one quarter and held off Northampton for a 59-49 victory. **Jeff Raimo** led CC with 17pts and **Heimbach** added 13pts to the cause.