



Metro Basketball Association

*Remarcus L. West 2016 MBA/B.O.S.S.
Best of South Sports*

About us: The MBA/B.O.S.S. is a non-profit established to use sports to promote social change.

Our Story: My name is William "Coach" Pearson and my wife is Ja'net Pearson.

I worked as Athletic Director at Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship for 18 years where I started the Turnaround Basketball League that hosted over 120 youth basketball teams ranging in age from 5 to 14 years old. I am currently the Athletic Director with Bridge Builders, a ministry devoted to ending poverty in Dallas. We're using athletics to create relationships, infuse hope and build character in young people.

In July of 2015, in response to what we were witnessing in the city of Baltimore, my wife and I felt that we needed to do something to remind people that we have more in common than not. Our desire was just to bring people together. My wife and I along with a few others put together funding, got the Chiefs and hosted a four week varsity basketball league. That's how our first MBA / B.O.S.S. event was born. We hosted 36 high school varsity basketball teams from all over the Metroplex. We were able to get the Police Chiefs or Officers from the cities of the schools that were participating to act as "honorary" head coaches. The event was a success with the Police Chiefs, players and coaches.

That was 2015, little did we know that in 2016 we would have our own moment of truth right here in Dallas. The deaths of five police officers in downtown Dallas during what had been a peaceful protest shook us to our core. Our reality is that it happened here. But our resolve to bring people together has not wavered. We decided to form a non-profit and ask others that feel the way we do to come along side of us to promote unity. We will use sports as the vehicle to bring hope and healing.

DFW is our community. Join us as we work together to protect the legacy of DFW as a place where people work together. We honor, respect, compassion, citizenship and community mean something. We are all "our brother's keeper". Our hope is that the MBA/B.O.S.S. continues to provide a platform for community. In the face of adversity our response is to speak out and stand tall for truth. We want to make this year's event even bigger, bring more people together!!!!

The Plan:

- *Host 36 of the best Varsity teams from DFW to play in the four night 2016 MBA/B.O.S.S.*
- *Invite communities from all over DFW to "hangout" with local civic and community leaders, military servicemen and police and fire departments during fall varsity basketball games.*
- ***Honorary Coaches 9/13 – Returning Police Chiefs and Police Officers from DFW***
- ***Honorary Coaches 9/20 – Working on Fire Chiefs and Firemen from DFW***
- ***Honorary Coaches 9/27 – Working on Local Civic & Community Leaders from DFW***
- ***Honorary Coaches 10/4 – Confirmed Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, National Guard***

What We Need:

- *Individuals or corporations to donate funding or resources for the 2016 event.*
- *The event cost of \$12,000.00 includes (refs, gym rental, security, player t-shirts, marketing)*
- *Volunteers – score-keepers, greeters, Honorary Coaches, gym monitors and photographers.*

To donate funding or resources please contact Coach William Pearson – coach.pearson.78@gmail.com

To see news coverage of last year's event go to leaguelineup.com/mymba



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Duties of “Honorary Coaches” are as follows:

- Act as an “ambassador” for their particular area of service
- Stand on the sideline as the “Acting Head Coach” for their teams game
- Encourage the players and fans & make sure everyone has a good time
- Shake hands and take as many pictures and selfies as possible
- You will be given the start time of your game (game times 6:15, 7:15, 8:15)
Please show up early to meet with your players and fans
- Knowledge of the game is not a requirement, the players will handle that part☺

The “Honorary Coaches” will interact with players, fans, families and friends to promote good will, build relationships and promote unity for the community.

The following Varsity High School Basketball Teams will be participating from 9/13 - 10/4

DUNCANVILLE	CEDAR HILL	DALLAS LINCOLN	DALLAS MADISON
MANSFIELD LAKE RIDGE	LANCASTER	SAM HOUSTON	TRIPLE A ACADEMY
DALLAS PINKSTON	COPPELL	DALLAS KIMBALL	IRVING
WILMER HUTCHINS	DALLAS CARTER	ARLINGTON SEGUIN	EVERMAN
NORTH MESQUITE	FAITH FAMILY	GRAND PRAIRIE	CROWLEY
JESUIT	IRVING MacARTHUR	DESOTO	SOUTH GARLAND
WAXAHACHIE	TRINITY CHRISTIAN	NORTH CROWLEY	TERRELL
DALLAS S.O.C.	MANSFIELD	MIDLOTHIAN	FW SOUTH HILLS
FORT WORTH O.D. WYATT	DALLAS HILLCREST	FORT WORTH DUNBAR	MESQUITE POTEET

*Games are on Tuesdays 9/13-10/4 at Duncanville Fieldhouse at 1700 Main St., corner of Hwy 67 & Main.
For more info and game times go to leaguelineup.com/mymba*

Thank you so much for your time and attention. We look forward to serving the community with you!

*Sincerely yours, Coach Pearson
WILLIAM PEARSON, Executive Director – MBA/B.O.S.S.*

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