

MEDIA RELEASE



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Off the Sidelines, Into the Game!

Join us in Macon This Saturday (March 14th) for the 2026 AAASP/GHSA State Wheelchair Basketball Championship *West Georgia Wolverines vs. the Houston County Sharks for the Varsity Title at 3 PM!*

Atlanta, March 11, 2026. The final tip-off! The West Georgia Wolverines will take on the Houston County Sharks for the Varsity Wheelchair Basketball State Title this Saturday, March 14th at 3:00 pm at the Macon Centreplex. The American Association of AdaptED Sports Programs (AAASP) and the Georgia High School Association (GHSA) will host the **2026 AAASP/GHSA Dr. Ralph Swearngin State Wheelchair Basketball Championship Varsity Game** Saturday as part of the state championship slate that day. The Wheelchair Basketball Championship will feature the last two teams rolling – the **West Georgia Wolverines vs. the Houston County Sharks**– from across the state, as the American Association of AdaptED Sports Programs celebrates its 30th season of adaptED sports in Georgia. This year’s Championship and second place trophies will be presented by Dr. Tim Scott; and banners will be presented by AAASP Executive Director Dr. Jenny Millward.

AAASP teams from the following school districts, in a dual governing alliance with GHSA, participated in wheelchair basketball this year. In the varsity division, they were: the Clayton Eagles, the Gwinnett Heat, the Houston County Sharks, the Peach County Rolling Trojans, and the West Georgia Wolverines. [Click here](#) to view the AAASP #wheelchairbasketball schedule standings that led up to the finals.

The American Association of AdaptED Sports Programs named a 2025-2026 Varsity All-State Team. Congratulations to this year’s honorees:

Varsity AAASP Wheelchair Basketball All State Team:

Houston County Sharks:	Anthony Cuti
Houston County Sharks:	Laila Kindness
Clayton County Eagles:	Xavier Bulloch
West Ga Wolverines:	Emmitt Darden
Gwinnett Heat:	Daniel Apuango
Peach County Trojans:	Jace Harter

The American Association of AdaptED Sports Programs, Inc. (AAASP) is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, as a legacy of the 1996 Paralympic Games in Atlanta, bringing education-based adapted athletics to schools. GHSA formed the nation’s first dual governing alliance with AAASP in 2001 to pioneer these efforts for students with qualifying physical disabilities. Through this alliance, GHSA recognizes AAASP as the governing and sanctioning body for adapted sports programs within Georgia’s schools. For more information on Wheelchair Basketball, a copy of the rules, or how to start or find a team in your area, please log on to: <https://adaptedsports.org>. Schools or districts can learn more about becoming a member of AAASP by contacting us at info@adaptedsports.org or the Georgia High School Association.

The American Association of AdaptED Sports Programs (AAASP), headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia since 1996, has developed one of the nation’s most comprehensive education-based athletic programs for children with qualifying physical disabilities attending grades 1-12. Many prominent individuals and national organizations in the industry have recognized AAASP as the model for the nation. For more information about AAASP, please visit our website at <https://adaptedsports.org> or join our conversations on Facebook (American Association of AdaptED Sports Programs), Twitter or Instagram at: @AdaptEDSports.

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