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METRO CLASSIC HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SHOWCASE

Since 2013, the **Metro Classic Basketball Showcase** has brought together the highest profile national and regional High School basketball teams to compete and provide a framework to give back to our communities.

The **Metro Classic** is designed to utilize basketball as an agent for community involvement. We seek to foster values such as responsibility, respect, leadership, integrity, competition and service to others. Over the years the Metro Classic sponsors and teams have touched the lives of so many by donating funds and their time to outstanding community service organizations such as **Warfighter Sports, Interfaith Hospitality Network of Ocean County, Union County Interscholastic Athletic Conference Collegiate Scholarship Fund and the Neonatal Unit of the Children's Hospital of New Jersey, Newark Beth Israel Medical Center.**

The two-day event, televised on **MSG Varsity**, is held annually at **Kean University's** 2500-seat **Harwood Arena** in Union, NJ and has sold out since its inception. Participants have included National and Local powers **Montverde Academy, Roselle Catholic, St. Benedict's Prep, St. Joseph's Metuchen, Long Island Lutheran, Linden, The Patrick School, Newark Eastside, Our Savior New American, Pope John, Life Center, Gill St. Bernard's, Hudson Catholic, Hunterdon Central, Union Catholic, and Rumson Fairhaven**, among others.

Current NBA standouts **Ben Simmons (Montverde, Sixers); Karl Towns (St. Joe's Metuchen, Timberwolves); D'Angelo Russell (Montverde, Lakers; Deandre Bembey (Patrick School, Hawks); Dakari Johnson (Montverde, Thunder); Chieck Diallo (Our Savior, Pelicans); Wade Baldwin (St. Joes Metuchen, Grizzlies); and Malachi Richardson (Trenton Catholic, Kings)** have shown of their skills at the **Metro Classic**.

The **Metro Classic** has also been a must-see event for numerous collegiate coaches including **John Calipari, Kentucky; Mick Cronin, Cincinnati; Frank Martin, South Carolina; Bill Self, Kansas; and Jay Wright, Villanova.**

The **Metro Classic High School Basketball Showcase** organizers and sponsors are delighted to announce the first annual **Metro Holiday Classic**, scheduled for **December 22 and December 23 at Gill St. Bernard's School in Gladstone, NJ.** This year's

charitable beneficiary will be the **New Jersey Police Surgeons. New Jersey Police Surgeons (NJPS)** is a non-profit organization that exists to serve as a liaison between police departments and law enforcement personnel that are injured or may require medical attention during a crisis or emergency situation. NJPS works alongside first responders to provide basic medical assessment to the patient and offer tactical medical support to the police department in accordance with state and federal regulation. NJPS also supports the departments by providing health and wellness lectures, screenings, and preventative programs as requested. newjerseypolicesurgeons.org

The 2017 Metro Holiday Classic's includes 2 Nationally Ranked teams and 6 teams in the top 15 in NJ. **Tickets can be purchased at metroclassicbasketball.com beginning October 5, 2017.**

This year's elite match ups include:

12/22/17 (Gill St. Bernard's School in Gladstone, NJ)

St. Mary's Elizabeth vs. Newark Westside 4:30pm

Rutgers Prep Girls vs. Gill St. Bernard's Girls 6:00pm

Imhotep (Philadelphia) vs. Gill St. Bernard's 7:30pm

12/23/17 (Gill St. Bernard's School in Gladstone, NJ)

North Bergen vs. Newark Westside 12:30pm

Newark East Side vs. St. Peter's Prep 2:00pm

Roselle Catholic vs. Gill St. Bernard's 3:30pm

For sponsorship opportunities and group tickets of 10 or more please contact:

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