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AIMS High School Honors Boys & Girls Basketball Teams in School's First Ever Virtual Sports Awards Ceremony

Players were honored in categories for MVP, for maintaining above a 3.5 GPA, and Celebrated the Boys Basketball Team's Consecutive BACSAC Division B Champs Title.

OAKLAND, CA – May 19, 2020. Ongoing school closures due to Covid-19 also extended into the sports season for student athletes. While the Spring season had to be cancelled altogether, AIMS High School still wanted to recognize their Winter sports athletes for all the hard work they put in throughout the last season. AIMS leadership found an innovative way to honor their athletes through a high quality virtual awards ceremony that was live streamed on Facebook and Youtube.

The ceremony opened with words of encouragement from Superintendent Maya Woods-Cadiz, who reminded the community that quarantine does not have to mean social isolation and that participants were still coming together in the spirit of an AIMS family. The ceremony included live interviews with awards winners and their coaches. Participants had their celebratory comments featured on screen in addition to the presentation of video footage from the latest Basketball season.

Both the Boys & Girls teams were presented with awards in a variety of award categories. The full list of award categories included players with an above 3.5 GPA, Most Valuable player, Most Improved, Defensive player of the year, Offensive player of the year, Rising Stars, Most Inspirational, and the presentation of Varsity Letters.

In only the second year of AIMS Basketball Boys team history, they brought home a second consecutive BACSAC Division B Champion title. For as long as AIMS has had a Boys

basketball team, they have won every year. A huge feat considering the start of the season began with a losing record. The boys team spoke about the importance of forming a brotherhood and putting in the hard work to achieve the ultimate victory. The girls basketball team also celebrated their season's accomplishments and made it known that their goal for next year is to bring a championship home as well.

In addition to their record of proven academic excellence, AIMS is quickly rising to become a serious competitor in the sports arena. AIMS K-12 College Prep is a national award-winning charter district. Having won two back to back awards in just the last month, including the Hart Vision Award for School of the Year in Northern California and a Quality A-G School Award, AIMS K-12 is dedicated to providing an academically rigorous and well-rounded experience to help set their students up to achieve above and beyond.

"The Sports banquet was the highlight of my week. I was delighted to see that students from our elementary, middle school, and high school were logged on and commenting. Our athletics and communications departments did an excellent job of representing our first tenet of family." - **Superintendent Maya Woods-Cadiz**

"As sports seasons shuttered, we did not want our students to go unrecognized for their historic accomplishments. A lot of time, effort, and energy went into this production and our AIMS community was thrilled with our results." - **Maurice Williams, AIMS College Prep High School Head of School**

"It was great to see all of my boys again. It's always tough not being around family for awhile. The awards was great and I enjoyed it!" - **Jermaine Worley, AIMS HS Golden Eagles Basketball Coach**

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