

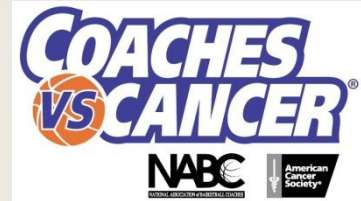


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Lamar State College Basketball Staff Supports NABC Coaches vs. Cancer Campaign

NJCAA College basketball coaches dress for battle against cancer

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Coaches from Lamar State College-Port Arthur and Blinn College joined together to help raise money for cancer research during the Coaches vs. Cancer "Suits and Sneakers" event Saturday, January 26, 2013. Pictured, from left, are, from Lamar State, Student Assistant John Hopkins, Assistant Coach Anthony Anderson Jr., Assistant Coach Chad Kish, and Head Coach Lance Madison; and, from Blinn College, Head Coach Scott Schumacher, Assistant Coach Brock Lemon, Assistant Coach Mack Cleveland, and, front-center, Coach Schumacher's son Ross.

PORT ARTHUR – Coaches for men's basketball teams in NJCAA Region XIV are pretty well-known for their dapper approach to dress come game time. This past Saturday, coaches from Lamar State College-Port Arthur and Blinn College were able to "sneak" in a tribute to the fight against cancer.

Coaches recognized the annual Coaches vs. Cancer Challenge "Suits and Sneakers" program by wearing sneakers during Saturday's game between the two teams. Before the game's tipoff, the coaches set aside rivalries and won-loss records to have a photo taken to commemorate the day.

"It seems that cancer touches us all at one point in our lives, whether it's with someone you know and love or whether you find yourself battling it yourself," Lamar State-PA Head Coach Lance Madison said. "This is our chance to pay tribute to those who have battled cancer and won, our chance to remember those who lost their battle, and it is an opportunity to contribute to finding a cure."

Participating in the event Saturday were Lamar State-Port Arthur Head Coach Lance Madison, Assistant Coaches Chad Kish and Anthony Anderson Jr., and Student Assistant John Hopkins, and from Blinn College, Head Coach Scott Schumacher and his son Ross, and Assistant Coaches Brock Lemon and Mack Cleveland.

Fans who attended the game donated several hundred dollars to the cause, which benefits the American Cancer Society and its mission of eradicating cancer in the world.

Historically, it has been NCAA teams that have primarily supported the Coaches vs. Cancer promotion. Saturday, Lamar State-Port Arthur and Blinn College joined the ranks of the NCAA effort when the opportunity presented itself.

Participating coaches across the United States have helped raise more than \$87 million to help the ACS save lives by helping people stay well and get well, by finding cures, and by fighting back against cancer.