

# 2010 STOP-DWI Holiday Classic

Day Two – December 29, 2010

Broome County Veterans Memorial Arena



Game Seven

## Regional Division I – Third Place Game

Binghamton High School ( <i>Binghamton, NY</i> ).....	63
Johnson City High School ( <i>Johnson City, NY</i> ).....	41

Binghamton High School (3-3) put three players in double figures and rode some red-hot shooting, including a 7-of-11 mark from three-point range, on its way to a 53-41 victory over Johnson City (4-3) in the third-place game of the Division I Regional at the 19<sup>th</sup> annual STOP-DWI Holiday Classic on Wednesday morning.

The 9:30 am tip-off was just the wake-up call the host Patriots would need as they rebounded from Tuesday's setback against Seton Catholic to record an impressive 22-point victory.

Junior Walter Sampson finished with a game-high 17 points on 6-of-11 shooting (4-of-4 from long range). He led all players with eight rebounds and eight assists. Junior Eric Edwards added 14 points, seven rebounds and seven blocks in a dominant effort. Junior Kevin Rowe added 10 points, all in the third quarter, as the Patriots outscored the Wildcats 35-16 over the final two quarters.

Johnson City only trailed by three (28-25) at the break, but the wheels would come off in the second half as the Wildcats shot just 5-of-26 (19.2%) from the field. For the game, Johnson City made 17 turnovers which led to 25 Binghamton points in what proved to be a decisive factor in the contest.

The Wildcats were led by senior Ian Pettiford and Troy Robinson, who scored 13 and 12 points apiece. Pettiford, however, would commit seven turnovers, while Robinson, a crafty guard, was held off the scoresheet for the entire second half. It wound up being a disappointing two days for Johnson City, who squandered multiple chances to ice the game at the foul line in Tuesday's overtime loss to Union Endicott.

Sampson and Edwards scored 11 and 10 points, respectively, to pace the host Patriots in the opening half. Sampson was 4-of-6 from the field, including a perfect 3-of-3 mark from downtown, while the 6-foot-5 Edwards added seven rebounds (five off the offensive glass) and three blocks.

Binghamton finished the contest shooting 44 percent (25-57), won the rebounding battle with a 40-31 advantage, had 12 steals to the Wildcats' six and benefitted from 16 points off the bench, led by Rowe's solid all-around effort.

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Game Eight

## Regional Division II

Maine Endwell High School ( <i>Endwell, NY</i> ).....	66
Oxford Academy ( <i>Oxford, NY</i> ).....	41

Maine Endwell (4-2) shot an outstanding 63 percent from the field as part of a dominant effort in comfortably dispatching Oxford, 66-41, in the opening game of Regional Division II play at the STOP-DWI Holiday Classic on Wednesday morning.

The Spartans will now advance to the Regional Division II title game, where they will be vying for their third-straight and fourth overall Holiday Classic crown.

Senior Nate Burgo led the way for Maine Endwell with 20 points on 9-of-11 shooting. He was joined in double figures by senior Kyle Sheppard, who finished with 13 points, including a 3-of-5 mark from three-point range. The Spartans forced 27 turnovers, had 18 steals and produced assists on 21 of their 29 field goals in a game they led right from the onset.

Oxford, making its third Holiday Classic appearance and second in four years, was led by senior Booker Davis' 16 points.

The mismatch was immediately evident as Maine Endwell scored the contest's first 13 points and never looked back. The Spartans held a 21-10 advantage after the first quarter and extended that lead to 35-22 at the break on the strength of 57.1 percent shooting and assists on 11 of their 15 field goals.

The third quarter saw Maine Endwell hold Oxford to just one field goal, as the Spartans opened up a commanding 49-24 lead. It was more of the same over the final eight minutes as the overmatched Blackhawks could do little to slow down the sharp shooting and more athletic Spartans squad. Maine Endwell connected on 14 of their 20 shot attempts over the final two quarters in an impressive display.

Maine Endwell faces Vestal in Thursday's Regional Division II Championship at 5:45 pm. Oxford, meanwhile, moves into the third-place game and will face Sidney earlier in the afternoon at 2:45 pm.

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Game Nine

## National Division – Consolation Bracket

Holy Cross High School ( <i>Flushing, NY</i> ).....	50
New Rochelle High School ( <i>New Rochelle, NY</i> ).....	45

Senior Evan Conti produced a double-double with 13 points and 16 rebounds, while juniors Marquise Moore and Anthony Libroia contributed 14 and 13 points, respectively, to lead Holy Cross (7-3) to a 50-45 victory over New Rochelle (3-2) as National Division play picked up with a consolation bracket matchup between a pair of New York City schools.

Conti was one of the Knights' top performers for the second day in a row, scoring 11 second-half points and putting together a dominant effort on the boards. Senior P.J. Torres, meanwhile, paced the Huguenots with 19 points and eight rebounds in a losing effort. It was his second-straight day of scoring in double-figures.

In a contest that featured 10 lead changes, it was a Libroia three-pointer from the left corner that put Holy Cross ahead for good at 46-45 with 1:08 to play in regulation. The ensuing trip down saw 6-foot-9 senior Marcus Hopper record his fourth block of the day and regain possession for the Knights.

Coming out of a timeout, a home-run toss found Moore for an uncontested lay-up to make it a three-point game. Conti would then ice it with a pair of late free throws to create the final margin.

The Huguenots used some impressive inside play early and led by as many as nine in the opening half, thanks to nine first-quarter points from Torres. Moore and Libroia would score 10 first-half points apiece, bringing the Knights back to within two at 26-24 headed into halftime.

The third quarter saw five lead changes, with the two teams remaining within three points of each other for its duration, and Holy Cross holding a narrow 39-38 advantage headed into the fourth. New Rochelle opened the final period with a 6-0 run to forge ahead, 44-39, but Holy Cross fought back, closing out the game with an 11-1 spurt to secure the win.

Holy Cross bounced back after dropping a 53-44 decision to Philadelphia's Imhotep Charter on Tuesday's opening day of competition. The Knights move into the fifth-place game and will face Mesa (Ariz.) on Thursday at 11:15 am.

New Rochelle, meanwhile, finished on the wrong end of another hard-fought contest, after dropping a 54-51 game against an unbeaten John Carroll (Md.) squad in its opener. The Huguenots fall to the seventh-place game and will play Davidson Day School (NC) in Thursday's first game, scheduled for a 9:30 am tip.

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Game Ten

## National Division – Consolation Bracket

Mesa High School ( <i>Mesa, Ariz.</i> ).....	66
Davidson Day School ( <i>Davidson, NC</i> ).....	46

Senior Jahii Carson produced the fifth-highest single-game point total in tournament history with a game-high 38 points to lift Mesa to an impressive 66-46 victory over Davidson Day School in a National Division consolation bracket matchup at the 19<sup>th</sup> annual STOP-DWI Holiday Classic.

For the second-straight day, Carson showed why he is one of the nation's most heralded point guards, putting forth an impressive offensive display which saw him score 17-straight points for Mesa to open the second half and 19 in the third quarter alone.

He produced 23 second-half points in total and finished 12-of-17 from the field and 11-of-15 from the charity stripe. Junior Desmond Medder also finished in double figures for the second-straight day with 11 points and a team-high nine rebounds for the Jackrabbits.

Davidson Day senior Bernard Sullivan, the ninth-ranked power forward nationally according to Rivals.com, paced the Patriots with 16 points on 7-of-11 shooting and a game-high 10 rebounds.

A day after going for 35 in a 68-61 setback against Brooklyn's Thomas Jefferson on Tuesday (equaling the eighth-highest point total in Classic history), Carson kept up his torrid play, netting 15 points in the opening half to stake Mesa to a 31-20 advantage.

Davidson Day connected on 6-of-7 first quarter field goal attempts and shot at a 47.4 percent clip in the half, but committed 10 turnovers in the face of the Jackrabbits' defensive pressure.

The third quarter belonged to Mesa and its Arizona State-bound floor general, who put the Jackrabbits in front big, with their lead reaching as many as 21 points (52-31) in the period before settling on a 53-37 count headed to the fourth.

Davidson Day would trim the deficit to 13 early in the final period, but would draw no closer en route to its second defeat in as many days.

With the win, Mesa (7-2) moves into the fifth-place game where they will face Holy Cross on Thursday at 11:15 am. Davidson Day (9-4), who lost 58-51 to Campbell High School (Ga.) on Tuesday, falls to the seventh-place game to play New Rochelle Thursday at 9:30 am.

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Game Eleven

## Regional Division II

Vestal High School ( <i>Vestal, NY</i> ).....	58
Sidney High School ( <i>Sidney, NY</i> ).....	47

Senior Dan Kerns scored a game-high 23 points on 9-of-16 shooting to lead Vestal (5-2) to a 58-47 victory over Sidney High School in the second game of Regional Division II play at the STOP-DWI Holiday Classic.

The Golden Bears received a 10-point, 10-rebound performance from senior forward Chris Bowe, as well as seven points apiece from both senior Brandon Bailey and sophomore Nick Mushalla. Vestal finished the game shooting 48.7 percent and with a 30-21 advantage on the glass.

Sidney had three players reach double figures, led by seniors Andy Kozak and Dylan Umbra's 16 points apiece. Senior Alex Heil added 11 points and eight rebounds for the Warriors in a losing effort.

Vestal shot 52.4 percent (11-of-21) in the first half and held Sidney to just 5-of-20 from the field to claim a 28-13 halftime advantage.

The Golden Bears closed out the half on a 10-0 run, spearheaded by Kerns, who contributed eight points during the late spurt and finished with a team-high 10 over the first two quarters of play. Heil also contributed 10 first-half points for the Warriors.

Sidney charged back in the third, opening the quarter with a 19-7 run to draw within three points at 37-34. The Warriors drilled four three pointers in the period and outscored the Golden Bears by a 24-14 margin to head into the fourth facing just a five-point deficit.

That would be as close as they would get, however, as some timely buckets allowed Vestal to maintain its lead and advance into Thursday's Regional Division II Championship, where it will face Maine Endwell at 5:45 pm.

Sidney, meanwhile, moves into the third-place game and will meet Oxford on Thursday at 2:45 pm.

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Game Twelve

## National Division – Winners Bracket

Imhotep Charter School ( <i>Philadelphia, PA</i> ).....	55
The John Carroll School ( <i>Bel Air, MD</i> ).....	51

Seniors Ameen Tanksley and David Appolon scored 16 and 15 points, respectively, as Imhotep Charter (6-1) dealt John Carroll (15-1) its first loss of the season with a 55-51 victory to advance to the National Division finals of the 19<sup>th</sup> annual STOP-DWI Holiday Classic.

Tanksley finished in double figures for the second time in as many days, while Appolon added four steals, including one at a critical juncture in the contest's final minute to help secure the win for the Panthers. Senior Erik Copes added six points, including the go-ahead bucket with 46 seconds to play, and eight rebounds in a solid effort.

Seniors Ronald Scott and Malcom McMillan were the top performers for a John Carroll, which came into the contest riding a 15-game winning streak. Scott had 17 points to go with nine rebounds, while McMillan had 14 points and six rebounds.

Imhotep got off to a strong start, forging ahead early and carrying a seven-point, 19-12 advantage into the second quarter. A spell of poor shooting (9-of-27 in the half) would catch up to the Panthers, however, and John Carroll battled back, closing the half on an 11-1 run for a 27-23 lead at the break.

The third quarter saw Imhotep make another run, scoring 10 unanswered out of the break and using a 13-2 surge to pull ahead 36-29. The Panthers would maintain a 43-37 lead headed into the fourth quarter.

That would hold until John Carroll put together a 13-4 run to go back on top at 50-49 with under two minutes to play. Trailing 51-50, it was Copes' rebound and score that put the Panthers ahead for good. The ensuing trip down the floor, Appolon grabbed an errant John Carroll pass to regain possession. He proceeded to ice the game at the line, hitting 3-of-4 attempts in the game's waning moments to secure the four-point win.

Imhotep, who knocked off Holy Cross, 53-44 in its opener on Tuesday will now face Campbell (Smyrna, Ga.) in Thursday's title game, slated for a 9:15 pm tip-off.

John Carroll, meanwhile, falls to the third-place game and will face Thomas Jefferson Campus (Brooklyn, N.Y.) on Thursday afternoon at 1:00 pm.

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Game Thirteen

## National Division – Winners Bracket

Campbell High School ( <i>Smyrna, Ga.</i> ).....	72
Thomas Jefferson Campus ( <i>Brooklyn, NY</i> ).....	68

Junior Matt Cotton scored a game-high 23 points, senior Roderick Perkins added 19 of his own and Campbell staved off a furious fourth quarter rally from Thomas Jefferson on its way to a 72-68 victory in the second National Division semifinal at the 19<sup>th</sup> annual STOP-DWI Holiday Classic on Wednesday evening.

The Spartans, who knocked off Davidson Day School (NC), 58-51, in their Classic debut on Tuesday, remain unbeaten on the season with an 11-0 record.

Cotton and Perkins were joined in double figures by junior Justin Seymour, who scored xx points on the evening. All three Spartans finished as double-digit scorers for the second game in as many nights.

For Thomas Jefferson, the senior trio of Shamel Williams (20), Eric Turpin (16) and Edson Avila (10), as well as sophomore Jaquan Lynch (10) each finished in double figures. Williams also grabbed a game-high 14 rebounds in a losing effort.

Campbell raced out to a 17-10 first quarter lead and extended that margin to 11 points by the break with a 36-25 advantage. The Spartans recorded assists on 12-of-15 first-half field goals and were paced by Cotton's 12 points and Perkins' 10 in the opening half.

The Spartans extended their lead to as many as 18 points in the third, fending off each run from the Orange Wave to maintain a 58-42 advantage headed into the fourth.

Thomas Jefferson's length and athleticism became a factor in the final period as the Orange Wave amped up the defensive pressure and cut the deficit to 65-58 with just under two minutes to play.

Thomas Jefferson would pull to within four, but Campbell would maintain its composure and do just enough to hold off the surging Orange Wave.

With the victory, Campbell advances to Thursday's National Division title game where it will face Imhotep Charter (Pa.) at 9:15 pm.

Thomas Jefferson (7-4) enters the third-place game and will face The John Carroll School (Md.) on Thursday afternoon at 1:00 pm.