



**ANGELS BASKETBALL CLUB
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Angels Basketball Club Expands Reach

MASON, OH. – The Angels Basketball Club is pleased to announce our affiliation with the Girls Under Armour Association (UAA). The Girls UAA is dedicated to create an equal playing field for all women, providing greater opportunities to excel on and off the court. Through this significant opportunity for our club program, and with the combined efforts of our coaches and staff, we are eager to transform the scope of girls basketball. "We are honored to be selected by Under Armour to represent the State of Ohio in the Girls Under Armour Association", Club Founder, Chris Arington stated. "We believe the Under Armour Association supports the mission of the club and will continue to take the program, the teams and the players to the next level".

In lieu of this expansion and increased coverage, the Angels Basketball Club is excited to welcome two new staff members to the program. Ms. Lisa Hayden will be joining the club as the 15U Performance Coach and Ms. Ana Richter will join the team as the Marketing and Social Media Coordinator. Coach Hayden joins the Cincinnati Angels Basketball Club bringing 16 years of Division I collegiate coaching experience. She served as assistant coach, recruiting coordinator and associate head coach at her alma mater, Miami University, followed by a four-year stint at Illinois State University where she served in the same capacity. During her time at the collegiate level, Hayden appeared in four post-season tournaments, coached seven of Miami's top ten all-time leading scorers as well as numerous professional players. She is a member of Miami's 1000 point-club and a two-time member of Henderson County High School's (KY) Hall of Fame. Ms. Ana Richter joined the Angels in 2009 and completed five seasons with the club before graduating at Talawanda High School. "This incredible opportunity to travel and get scouted by college coaches propelled me into my basketball career at Miami University of Ohio." After two years, she ended up transferring to an NAIA school in Lakeland, Florida called Southeastern University. Ana graduated in 2018 with a Business Management degree and will be graduating in 2020 with an MBA in Executive Leadership. "I was blessed through my experience as an Angel and look forward to giving back to the program through my current position." These new staff additions will increase our capacity as we continue to elevate the club."

About Us

Established in 1998, the Angels Basketball Club is a nationally recognized elite basketball club that has been recognized as one of the top 36 programs in the country by the UAA. Our players compete at the highest level with aspirations to pursue careers at the college level. Our mission is to glorify God by providing an elite basketball experience while building Christ centered athletes.

About UAA

Girls UAA will provide elite girls travel teams with the same league-style circuit as the boys UAA teams. The teams will participate in 10 regular season games, five final games and three total league sessions. The UAA will also expand their leagues for high school and middle school athletes as well. Similar to the UA grassroots circuits, Girls UA Rise will provide the opportunity for 48 travel teams from all over the country at the 17U, 16U and 15U age groups. Girls UA Rise will also play under the same roof as the UAA during the NCAA certified live periods, creating a powerful recruiting atmosphere. Each team will play twelve games during the regular season. Middle school athletes will also be provided with the opportunity to compete at the next level with Under Armour's Girls UA Future league. Girls UA Future will offer a regional league format for teams in the 14U-10U age groups. It will also become the foundation of UAA's youth basketball as it seeks to advance the development of young players, teams and coaches to set the course of grassroots basketball. Under Armour will continue to unleash chaos on the court as the youth basketball space continues to grow, creating more opportunities for players of different playing levels, ages and genders.