



Coach Monique S. Boykins

Monique S. Boykins, known to her players as “Coach Mo”, has been the Girls’ Varsity Head Basketball coach for the Penn Wood High School Lady Patriots in Lansdowne, Pa. since 2010. Prior to becoming the Head Coach she was the Assistant Coach from 2008 to 2010. Her unique coaching style has successfully rebuilt the Lady Patriots into a successful and competitive basketball program. It was under Monique’s leadership that the Lady Patriots made their first play-off appearance since 2001 against Neshaminy High School. 100% of her graduating seniors have received college assistance as a result of the skills and character development within Monique’s program. Coach Mo has led the Lady Pats to 3 Del-Val Titles and 1 PIAA State Appearance (2016).

Monique has also been the head coach for two AAU travel teams; Mid-Atlantic Heat 16u (2010-2011) and PA Running Rebels 15u (2012-13). While coaching these winning organizations against the nation’s best talent she strove to consistently bring out the best in her players while providing exposure to some of the best college programs in the United States.

Monique believes strongly in giving back to her community and in 2011, when she became aware that the local P.A.L. in Darby, PA had fallen apart, Monique created the “Jump-Start” basketball league at the Darby Recreation Center providing a fun and competitive basketball league for children and young adults. Under this umbrella Monique developed and ran the basketball league for men 8-25 years of age.

Monique began her basketball career at Penn Wood High School (1998-2002). During her high school career she had 986 points and currently holds the rebounding record of 1,064 rebounds. Monique made first-team All Del-Val two seasons in a row (2000-2002) and with the help of Dominique Lewis, one of the top players in the Tri-State area, in 2002 she led the Lady Patriots to the Del-Val Championship with a 56-54 win over Chester High School.

After graduating Penn Wood High School Monique continued her education and basketball career at Kutztown University of Pennsylvania. At Kutztown Monique played under Janet Malouf

(graduate of Rutgers University) and became known as a strong aggressive forward. During her college career Monique had 73 blocked shots and continues to hold one of the block shot titles. She was recognized for her hard work and leadership qualities in 2007 with the Coaches Award as well as receiving the All-Conference PSAC award. Monique graduated Kutztown University in 2007 earning a B.S. in Biology with a concentration in cell/micro/molecular.

In 2008 Monique toured with the Global Sports Academy playing Women's Basketball in Belgium, Holland and France. It was during this time that Coach Mo competed against Europe's top women's basketball players.

Currently Coach Mo is coaching at Lower Merion High School. Coach Mo started off season 2016-2017 at LM with a 13-9 season, and was ranked #4 in the central league.

Monique has developed "TeamS.U.C.C.E.S.S.Youth", an AAU organization focused on educating and empowering youth through athletics, fitness and social networking. Monique recognizes that in today's world our youth are maturing very fast and that by providing and sharing with young women the tools she learned during her diverse basketball career, enable our youth to build a positive character within a team atmosphere. It is her goal that every young woman within her programs mature into not only the best ballplayer but the very best person they were created to be. Monique's guiding principal is best described using her favorite quote "Let your passion be your vehicle to your success!"