



**Prestonwood
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**ESPN ANNOUNCES NATIONAL BROADCAST OF
PRESTONWOOD CHRISTIAN ACADEMY'S VARSITY BOYS' BASKETBALL MATCH UP
WITH GRACE PREPARATORY ACADEMY**

Lions Look Forward to "2011-12 GEICO ESPNHS Basketball Showcase"

Plano, TX, December 2, 2011 - Prestonwood Christian Academy's Varsity boys' basketball team will take on Arlington's Grace Preparatory Academy on Thursday, December 15, in the "2011-12 GEICO ESPNHS Basketball Showcase". This game will be televised live on ESPNU and will tip off at 6:00 pm (CST) at Lewisville High School.

The Lions plan to make a strong showing with returning leaders senior Zach Peters, who recently signed his Letter of Intent to play basketball for The University of Kansas, and junior Julius Randle, currently ranked by ESPN as one of the top three players in the Class of 2013. MaxPreps recently said that the combination of Peters and Randle will give the Lions "the best post tandem in the country."

Senior Austin Rettig, who looks to have a breakout season at the small forward position, and junior Marquan Botley, arguably one of the fastest point guards in the country, will also be strong contenders in the game. Freshman Mickey Mitchell, known as one of the top players in the Class of 2015, made his Prestonwood Varsity debut this season and will be a strong contributor, as well.

Prestonwood Christian's Head Coach Chris Mayberry says that the Lions are ready to play. "We have a strong team and are very deep on the bench," he said. "Our guys work very well together and have a great time. Our returning leadership has set the mark high for our season. Not only are they great ball players, but they are great young men off the court, as well. I'm definitely looking forward to what's ahead."

Grace Prep is ranked by ESPN as the #16 team in the nation. They are home to senior Isaiah Austin, currently ranked by ESPN as one of the top three players in the Class of 2012. Austin recently signed his Letter of Intent to play basketball for Baylor University. Grace Prep is also home to sophomore Emmanuel Mudiay, currently ranked by ESPN as one of the top two shooting guards in the Class of 2014.

"Grace Prep is one of the most talented teams in the country," commented Chris Mayberry. "They are excellent shooters, strong on defense, and quick off the boards. We've seen them play in the Elite 14 tournament and the Thanksgiving Hoopfest this year, so we are pumped about meeting them face-to-face. It's going to be a great game."

WHO: Prestonwood Christian Academy vs. Grace Preparatory Academy, followed by Montrose Christian (Maryland) vs. Marcus Flower Mound

WHAT: ESPNU Televised "2011-12 GEICO ESPNHS Basketball Showcase"

WHEN: Thursday, December 15, 2011 – Tip off at 6:00 pm

WHERE: Lewisville High School, 1098 W. Main Street, Lewisville, Texas

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The mission of Prestonwood Christian Academy is to assist Christian parents by helping equip students to embrace biblical truth, strive for academic excellence, and model Christ-like leadership to influence their homes, churches, and communities for Christ. With more than 1,400 students in Pre-Kindergarten through grade 12, PCA is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Prestonwood Christian Academy is a ministry of Prestonwood Baptist Church, located at 6801 W. Park Blvd. in Plano, Texas.