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MEDIA ALERT

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INAUGURAL “CLASH OF THE CLASSES” TAKES PLACE SATURDAY OCTOBER 11th, 2008 AT LEWIS & CLARK COLLEGE

*Courtside Entertainment brings the best of Oregon and Washington together for the
Ultimate All-American Experience*

For years, the hotbeds for prep basketball existed in urban areas such as New York, Chicago, and Los Angeles. But as high school hoops has risen to mainstream consciousness, other parts of the country have emerged as must-visit areas for college coaches, recruiters, and hardcore fans, and the Pacific Northwest has unquestionably become one of the regions stacked with elite talent.

The first-ever “Clash of the Classes” – which takes place on Saturday, October 11, at Lewis & Clark College– will feature the best players from the high school and middle school ranks from Oregon and Washington in two action-packed all-star games pitting the two states against one another. The action heats up first with the Elite Youth “Clash of the Classes” game with the top rising seventh and eighth graders and the evening will conclude with the Elite High School “Clash of the Classes” contest with some of the nation’s elite prep ballers.

The talent that will be on hand will be fierce – especially on the high school level. On the Oregon All-American team, Arizona-bound Mike Moser from Portland’s Grant High School has established himself as one of the top players in the Class of 2009 nationally and Lake Oswego High School rising senior Max Jacobsen isn’t far behind. Terrence Jones of Portland’s Jefferson High School and Stephen Holt of Jesuit High School, both rank among the top prospects nationally in the Class of 2010. Others such as rising juniors Garrett Jackson (Westview) and Jordan Railley (Beaverton) and rising sophomore Kyle Wiltjer (Jesuit) already hold Division I scholarship offers as well. Add in Century sharpshooter Cameron McCaffery and wingmen Cody Hickey and freshman phenom Jordan Tebbutt and Team Oregon head coach Canaan Chatman will unquestionably be prepared for victory.

Team Oregon can’t look past the Washington All-American team however, as their roster is stacked to the hilt. In the backcourt alone, rising seniors Abdul Gaddy and Avery Bradley out of Tacoma both rank as the top guards at their position on the West Coast and nationally and fellow rising seniors Peyton Siva (Seattle Franklin) and Aaron Dotson (Seattle Rainier Beach) are right there as well. Class of 2010 stud Josh Smith (Kentwood) will man the post and will be surrounded by lanky forwards Cole Dickerson (Tacoma) and Washington State- bound Patrick Simon (Ephrata). Arguably the top player in the country in the Class of 2011, Tony Wroten, Jr. will also be in the gym as Team Washington head coach Jim Marsh will have incredible depth from top to bottom on his team.

The Elite Youth Clash of the Classes game will give a preview of what’s to come on the scene in future years as well. The nation’s top eighth grader, Nigel Williams-Goss of Happy Valley, leads the way for Oregon while others such as Frank Norman (Team Jones), Austin Dyer (Portland Hoop Kings), Khan Hosey (ICP Portland), Kameron Chatman (ICP Portland), and Kadeem Strickland (ICP Portland) will also strut their stuff. Washington will pose heady point men Arell Hennings (Seattle Rotary Style) and Will Dorsey Jr. (ICP Portland) along with #1 seventh grade shooting guard, Alonzo Trier (Seattle Rotary Style) to what should prove to be an extremely competitive contest between the two regional squads.

The schedule for the 2008 “**Clash of the Classes**” Ultimate All-American Experience is as follows:

Friday October 10th, 2008

4:00PM	Hotel Check-in/ Weekend Registration	Embassy Suites Downtown Portland
5:30PM	Coaches/ Players Welcome Meeting	Embassy Suites Downtown Portland
6:30PM	Depart for Team Practices	Lewis & Clark College
7:00PM	Team Practice/ Training	Lewis & Clark College
9:30PM	Coaches/ Players Dinner	Buffalo Wild Wings Downtown Portland
11:00PM	Curfew/ Lights Out	Embassy Suites Downtown Portland

Saturday October 11th, 2008

8:00AM	Wake Up/ Breakfast	Embassy Suites Downtown Portland
10:00AM	Workouts/ Skill Development	Lewis & Clark College
12:00PM	Media Session/ Pictures	Lewis & Clark College
1:00PM	Lunch/ Down Time	Embassy Suites Downtown Portland
3:30PM	Elite Youth Coaches Meeting	Embassy Suites Downtown Portland
4:00PM	Elite Youth Shuttle Departs	Embassy Suites Downtown Portland
5:00PM	Elite High School Coaches Meeting	Embassy Suites Downtown
		Portland
5:30PM	Elite Youth "Clash of the Classes" Game	Lewis & Clark College
6:00PM	Elite High School Shuttle Departs	Embassy Suites Downtown Portland
7:30PM	Elite HS "Clash of the Classes" Game	Lewis & Clark College
10:00PM	Post Game Dinner	Buffalo Wild Wings Downtown Portland

Sunday October 12th, 2008

7AM -11AM	Breakfast/ Checkout/ Return Home	Embassy Suites Downtown Portland
11:00AM	Optional Shopping for coaches/ players	Nike Outlet Store

Both games will be played at Lewis & Clark College located at 0615 SW Palatine Hill Road Portland, Oregon 97219. A portion of the proceeds for this year’s event will benefit Inner City Players Athletics.

Don't miss your chance to see some of the best basketball talent in the country right in “OUR OWN BACKYARD” on October 11th at the Clash of the Classes youth basketball experience.

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