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Patriot Award: Elle Lingle

Most Improved: Abby Witt

Best Offensive Player: Andie Flatgard

Best Defensive Player: Olivia Smith

MVP: Olivia Sasser

MAIS 5A Player of the Year: Andie Flatgard

All MAIS 5A Basketball Team : Olivia Sasser

3. LOOK ALIVE. Margie Frye (11) looks for a teammate to pass to. Frye encouraged her team throughout the whole season whether it was on the court or on the bench.

PHOTO BY Ryan Sherman

4. QUICK FEET. Olivia Smith (11) dribbles around her defender to make her way towards the goal. Smith played basketball in her soccer off season so she would stay active and moving.

PHOTO BY Lily Flowers



1. ON YOUR MARK. Kennedie Sanders (10) stops her Mississippi School of Deaf opponent from getting to the goal and scoring. Sanders was known for her focus and determination.

PHOTO BY Hubert Worley



2. CATCH UP. Abby Witt (12) receives a pass to break down the court. Hom eschooled until her senior year, Witt was a welcome addition to the team.

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It was the semifinals of the MAIS basketball tournament. Jackson Prep had a strong lead against MRA, but that did not discourage the student section of either team. The ball rolled out of bounds and was coming back in in Prep’s possession. Olivia Sasser (12) went to throw in the ball and was met by the boys of the student section of MRA. “I block out any distractions outside of the court. All I heard was loud racket because I was so zoned in on the game. Having a rowdy student section from your opponent is part of the game,” said Sasser. Blocking out the outside noise led to the team's success and advance to the finals where they unfortunately lost to JA.

PHOTO BY Robert Smith



Andie Flatgard (11)

MAKE IT HAPPEN

Defend until the end.

There is one minute left in overtime. Jackson Academy is leading 47-45 and has possession of the ball until a pass is deflected into junior point guard Andie Flatgard's hands. Flatgard busted down the court and made a layup that tied the score 47-47. With nine seconds left on the clock, head coach Michael McAnally called a timeout to set a play that would hopefully award the team with the winning shot. The play failed, but once again the ball was deflected to Flatgard who took it to the top of the key and shot a three pointer with two seconds left that made the score 50-47. The buzzer sounded to end the game and Flatgard's teammates stormed the court celebrating her points and their win. STORY BY Julia Sumrall PHOTO BY Hubert Worley

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