



### HISTORY MADE

Led by Coach Jordan Griffin, Dutchtown's boys basketball team successfully capped off its 2019-'20 campaign, "March to Macon," by defeating the Panthers of Cedar Shoals High School 57-44 to win Georgia High School Association's (GHSAA) AAAAA state title. With the victory, the team made school history as the championship represents the first boys basketball title won since Dutchtown opened in 2004 and only the second time a boys basketball banner has been hoisted in Henry County.

Overcoming both challenges and close games along the way, the Bulldogs beat Ware County, Riverwood, Columbia and Kell before finally taking on Cedar Shoals in the championship. While the victory against Ware County was a relatively uneventful one, the remaining games proved to be a bit more electric.

Without the services of the team's second leading scorer, Cam Bryant, the undermanned Bulldogs traveled to Riverwood where they defeated the Raiders 59-55 behind a great team defensive effort and the 22 points of Kam Hobbs. Fast forward almost a week later when the Bulldogs hosted the Eagles of Columbia High. Led by Jamaïne Mann's 30 point showing and Bryant's buzzer beating heroics, Dutchtown pulled out a narrow 73-72 victory in OT. Next up was the Final Four held at Fort Valley State University. The Bulldogs once again showed what they were made of when the team's leading scorer Mann fouled out and was unable to play in the waning moments of the game. It was Hobbs's turn to put the game into OT and the team never looked back. Dutchtown won 62-56 in OT. Seven days later the Bulldogs headed to Macon to play for the championship. Monster games from both Bryant and Mann buoyed the team to the final victory of their 28-4 Cinderella season, earning Dutchtown its first boys' basketball title ever.

To cap off the season, Mann and Bryant were respectively named to the Atlanta Journal Constitution's (AJC) First and Second All State and All Metro Southside teams, while Mann was also honored as the All-Metro Southside Player of the Year. Hobbs was named an honorable mention on the All-Metro Southside team as well. In his first year as head coach, Coach Griffin was tapped as the AJC's AAAAA and Southside Coach of the Year.

For their efforts, we applaud and salute our entire Bulldog basketball team. Thanks for a thrilling, though sometimes heart stopping, season!