

# ON PURPOSE

## SUMMER 2025 NEWSLETTER

### STATE CHAMPIONS: Westside Boys Basketball Brings Home the Title



Your Westside Christian Eagles are the 2025 OSAA 3A State Champions!

Back in March, the boys basketball team traveled to Coos Bay to compete in the 3A Elite 8, aiming to finish what they started earlier this season. The tournament kicked off with an opening banquet and a 3-point contest featuring a top shooter from each team. Westside took home the 3-point title thanks to a clutch shot from Geddy Spencer.

#### Quarterfinals – Redemption and Resilience

Thursday's game against Banks was a rematch from December. In an overly physical and tense game, our boys showed remarkable composure. Despite the pressure, they stayed disciplined, trusted the referees to control the game, and pulled off a solid win.

#### Semifinals – The Comeback

On Friday, the Eagles faced off against a tough OES team in the semifinals. After trailing by 15 at halftime, the boys exploded in the third quarter with a 23–6 run and entered the fourth quarter up by 2. Fueled by grit and belief, they held off OES in the final stretch and earned their ticket to a third consecutive State Championship game.

#### Finals – One Team, One Goal

In the championship game, Westside faced No. 2 seed Pleasant Hill, coached by former Oregon Duck and NBA player Luke Jackson. From the opening tip, the Eagles made it clear they were ready. With four first-half threes from Kyler Crites, lockdown defense from Jack Leland, and dynamic playmaking from Cole Chiong, the Eagles dominated from start to finish.

This team played unselfishly, with relentless defense and a commitment to each other.

*One Team. One Heart. One Goal.*

All glory and praise to God for a season to remember.

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