

## **BIOGRAPHY**

## **Scott Allen**

Head Coach, Girls' Varsity Basketball Director, Girls' Basketball Program St. Paul VI Catholic High School, Chantilly, Virginia



Coach Scott Allen joined St. Paul VI (PVI) in 2002 and developed a national level girls' basketball program. The Lady Panthers compete in two athletic leagues: The Washington Catholic Athletic Conference (WCAC) and the Virginia Independent Schools Athletic Association (VISAA). The WCAC is considered the most competitive high school basketball conference in America and comprises of the top Catholic High Schools from Washington, D.C., Maryland and Virginia. The VISAA is the leading independent high school league in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The Lady Panthers have won 16 consecutive VISAA Division 1 State Championship titles and crowned state champions 23 times in the last 25 years. The Lady Panthers have also won three WCAC Championships, and four national-level tournaments. PVI finished runner up in the 2021 Geico National Championship Game, and ended the past 10 seasons nationally ranked.

Coach Allen's philosophy is a true champion excels in the classroom and on the basketball court. The program takes great pride in having accomplished student athletes. The team's cumulative grade point average is 3.1 on a 4.0 scale. More than 60 PVI players from Coach Allen teams have played basketball in college and all of his players have pursued academic studies at the collegiate level.

Coach Allen is passionate about developing student athletes and advancing the sport of basketball. He created the annual Art Turner Memorial (ATM) tipoff showcase. The showcase is a three-day event, which has evolved into the leading tipoff classic in the country. ATM attracts nationally ranked girls' basketball teams and college coaches from across the country. Coach Allen also created the D.C. Metro College Showcase. The Showcase is sanctioned by the NCAA and gives players an opportunity to demonstrate their basketball skills in front of college coaches and scouts. The annual event is one of the top college recruiting showcases on the east coast. During the summer months, Coach Allen organizes the St. Paul VI Girls' & Boys' Basketball Camps. The camps teach basketball fundamentals and advanced game skills to children of all playing levels. More than 5000 children have participated in the camps the last 21 years.

In February 2023, Coach Allen was inducted in the PVI Athletic Hall of Fame. He currently has 490 wins over his career and has been nationally recognized for his accomplishments. He was VISAA Virginia State Division I Girls' Basketball Coach of the Year an unprecedented ten times. The 2016-17 MaxPreps Virginia High School Coach of the Year, the USA Today 2015-16 ALL-USA Girls Basketball National Coach of the Year and awarded the 2014-15 Pat Summitt Trophy as the National Coach of the Year by the Women's Coaches Basketball Association. He was also named WCAC Coach of the Year twice and Washington Post girls' basketball coach of the year in 2014.

Born and raised in Vermont, Allen coached the boys' Vermont State Champion in 1997. After that, he was the men's assistant coach for two years at Francis Marion University, a NCAA Division II school and then spent two years as women's assistant coach at Coastal Carolina University in Conway, SC. He has a degree in Physical Education and teaches at St. Leo the Great Catholic School in Fairfax, Virginia. Laura Allen is his spouse and they reside in Centreville, Virginia.

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