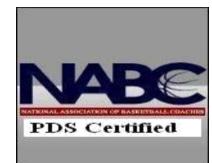




HIGHER LEVEL BASKETBALL



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HLB SENIOR STAFF BIOS

Rob Raque

President/Lead Instructor

President and Lead Instructor for Louisville-based Higher Level Basketball. Having founded HLB in Fall 2003, Coach Raque is now in his 44th year of coaching, including six at the college level. Career highlights include:

2003-Present President and Lead Instructor for Higher Level Basketball
2000 – 2001 Coordinator of Athletics & Recreation; Men's Club Basketball Coach - Jefferson Community College.
1999 - 2000 Men's Assistant Coach, University of Southern Indiana, Evansville, for Head Coach Bruce Pearl (previous HC Auburn, Tennessee), where he helped USI to # 1 national ranking in NCAA Division II.
1994 - 1998 Assistant to Bob Valvano at Bellarmine University, Louisville - key player in turning program around – helped lead Knights into top-10 in Great Lakes Region & Top 25 Dunkel power rating.

Has worked with such players as Matt Gladieux (Bellarmine, Coastal Carolina & the CBA), Barry Bowman (former Sunbelt Conference freshman of year @ SW La, England Pro league all star), Cameron Mills (Kentucky), LaRon Moore (NKU All American), Chris Dowe (Bellarmine All-American and 13 year Pro overseas), plus over a dozen other who have gone on to play professionally or overseas.

Holds a B.B.A. in Business Management and an M.S. in Sport Management. Raque has been PDS (Professional Development Series) certified member of the NABC (National Association of Basketball Coaches) and was presented with an NABC Merit Award for coaching service in 2010.

Drew Melton

Senior Instructor; Team Coach; Player Development Coordinator

Drew is entering his 10th year with HLB. He is our most senior instructor and helps coordinate player development. He has coached at **every** level of the teams program (3rd through 11th grade) and has helped countless players move on to play high school from middle school and college from high school.

He is also a Trinity high Head Freshman and varsity assistant coach. He previously spent 6 years as the 6th grade boys coach at Nativity Academy where he currently serves as the AD and teaches.

He also worked on the scout team for the University of Louisville's women's basketball team for 4 years. Prior to that he was a 4 year varsity player at Frederick Fraize High School

Dale Easley

Team Coach

Coach Easley returns to HLB after a few years hiatus from coaching. Dale joined HLB in Winter of 2008-09 as the Head Coach of the Boy's 12U/6th grade team and coached at every level of the program over the next 12 years. He also rose from Associate Instructor to our most Senior Instructor and helped train many of HLB's previous coaches and instructors.

2009 – 2019

Sr. Associate Instructor – specializing in transferring Instruction skill work into game performance. Specialist in making players more mentally tough in competition.
Head Coach, Boy's 17U Travel/Exposure AAU team; Head coach boy's 16u where he once had 19 straight players go on to play in college
Boys Middle school team program coordinator. Also coached boys 6th, 7th teams.
Camp/Clinic Director for both KY & FL clinics

2008 – 2009

Head Coach, Boy's 12U/6th Grade
Assistant Coach, Boy's 17U
Summer Head Coach, Boy's 15U
Associate Instructor

As a player

Played 4 years at Jeffersontown High School, including serving as a valuable cog on the Charger's State Championship team in 2006.
Played college basketball at Benedict College, NCAA Division II

Greg Brockman**11th Grade Team Coach**

Greg enters his 11th year with HLB in spring 2026 and his 15th over all in AAU. He is completing his 2nd full rotation in taking a team of players from grade 7 through 11. Greg has had a dozen former players go on to play college, including a previous 6th region POY.

He played 4 years at Waggener HS, then has coached at **every** level of play from Middle school, when he started his coaching career at Westport Middle, through high school, including assisting at Portland Christian.

Alex Dunn**Senior Instructor; 6th Grade Team Head Coach**

Alex is entering his 5th year with HLB. He is a Senior instructor, working with all grades but specializing in grade and middle school player development. He has also been an assistant and head coach in our team program – at all grades from 4th through 11th. Alex works with multiple coaches in our teams program.

Prior to HLB, he was part of the Scout team for UofL Men's and Women's Basketball programs from 2016 – 2019. He played at Tates Creek HS in Lexington as part of 10+ years as a player in competitive basketball