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Special points of interest:

- Academy has boys & girls from 49 different high school programs
- Academy Springs dates will be out soon!!
- Camp Registration is open!!!

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BASKETBALL



REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!!!



Fox Valley Summer Camps 2020

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On behalf of our coaching staff, I want to welcome you to the 2020 edition of our Fox Valley summer basketball camps. We're excited to continue working with youth players and helping each to develop their games.

2020 Camps:

Youth Skills Camp- Covering all the essential areas and skills of the game.

Shooting Camp- This camp teaches the proper shooting technique.

Shooting Lab *- Different from our shooting camps, we'll video and analyze shooters technique. (**Max 64**)

Dynamic Scoring Camp- Emphasizing footwork, attacking defenders, finishing in traffic to help score against talent.

Post Camp- Teaching the essential skills needed to play the post position. Camp 1 & 2 are different. You do not need to attend both.

Ball Handling Camp- Covering skills a player will need to effectively handle the basketball.

Competition Camp- This camp is structured around numerous competitions that will improve overall skill and speed of play.

Perimeter Skills Camp- This is a new camp covering intermediate and advance skills of the guard and forward perimeter spots.

Competitive Shooting Camp- This camp focuses on competing while shooting. Every rep becomes game reps.

Shooting off Screens Camp- This camp teaches proper footwork coming off screens and technique to shooting on the move.

Position-less Camp- Learning how to play with the ball and without the ball at all 5 positions

Ball Screens- Learning how to handle the ball while using the ball screen to make plays and score out of it / find open teammates.

Offensive Skills- A new camp this year a 6-hour day which includes Skill development and 3x3 & 2x2 live competition

In all our camps, our goal is to match our skill and game-play instruction to every player's vision for self-improvement. We look forward to working with the youth players in the Fox Valley. As always, players will receive:

- Small group and individual instruction from experienced coaches and players.
- Strong focus on fundamental skill work and individual drills to help you improve.

All Fox Valley area camps will be hosted at: 5000 W. Champion Dr. Appleton, WI 54914

<input type="checkbox"/>	Youth Skills	June 15-16	9:00am - 11:00pm	K-4 th	\$45
<input type="checkbox"/>	Position-Less	June 15-16	12:00pm - 3:00pm	5 th -12 th	\$85
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ball Handling 1	June 22-23	9:00am - 11:30pm	3 rd -12 th	\$75
<input type="checkbox"/>	Shooting 1	June 22-23	12:30pm - 3:00pm	5 th -12 th	\$75
<input type="checkbox"/>	Post Camp	June 25	9:00am - 12:00pm	5 th -12 th	\$45
<input type="checkbox"/>	Perimeter Skills	June 25	1:00pm - 4:00pm	4 th -12 th	\$45
<input type="checkbox"/>	Offensive Skills	July 9	9am - 12pm & 1pm - 4pm	5 th -12 th	\$85
<input type="checkbox"/>	Post Camp 2	July 13-14	9:00am - 11:30am	5 th -12 th	\$75
<input type="checkbox"/>	Shooting 2	July 13-14	12:30pm - 3:00pm	5 th -12 th	\$75
<input type="checkbox"/>	Competition	July 16	9:00am - 12:00pm	3 rd - 8 th	\$45
<input type="checkbox"/>	Shooting Lab	July 16	1:00pm - 4:00pm	5 th -12 th	\$45
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ball Handling 2	July 20	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	3 rd -12 th	\$45
<input type="checkbox"/>	Competitive Shooting	July 20	1:00pm - 4:00pm	4 th -12 th	\$45
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ball Screens	July 23	9:00am - 12:00pm	5 th - 12 th	\$45
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dynamic Scoring	July 23	1:00pm - 4:00pm	5 th - 12 th	\$45

❖ **Post Camps**- Camps 1 & 2 are different, Shooting Camps 1,2, & 3 are all different

❖ **You do not need to attend camps 1 or 2 to attend 3**

*Family Discount \$5 per kid but must be mailed in.

*\$10 discount for each additional camp registration

Full Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade this fall: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Parent's Name(s): _____

City: _____

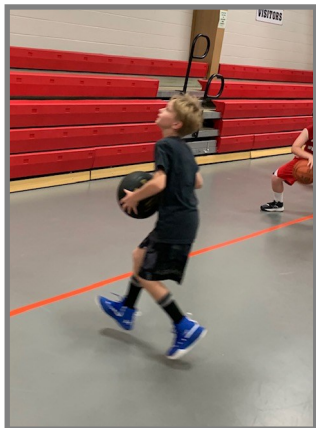
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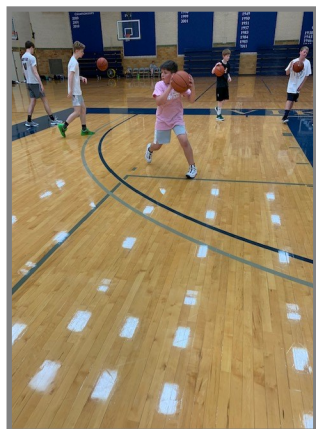
Circle (1) T-Shirt Size: **Youth:** M LG **Adult:** SM M LG XL XXL

Please make sure you sign and fill out the waiver/consent form on the back of this slip. Thank you!

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*If you give the future
all your attention,
the present will pass
you by*



“He was that good.”

This jersey came in recently to be put up in the WBCA Hall of Fame and Basketball Museum here at JAG. It belonged to Anthony Pieper of Wausaukee high. The article below was written by Dennis Semrau and is certainly worth a read. One of the best...

Records are made to be broken.

Then there is Anthony Pieper’s career scoring mark in Wisconsin of 3,391 points set during his four-year prep career from 1989-1993 at Wausaukee High School.

Pieper burst onto the scene as a freshman with 488 points and then scored 808 as a sophomore before topping the 1,000-point mark each of his last two years as the leading scorer in the Rangers’ high octane offense.

He owns the two highest scoring seasons in state history with 1,032 points in 1991-92 before topping his mark the next year with 1,063 points (39.4 points per game) in leading Wausaukee to the 1993 WIAA Division 4 state title over Cassville.

Pieper played in 103 of his team’s 108 games, averaging nearly 33 points per game. Wausaukee advanced to either the sectional finals or the state tournament each season, which also provided Pieper additional games to add to his totals.

So, good luck to anyone aspiring to break the record. To even think about it, you would have to average 848 points per year in your four-year high school career.

“Do you want the answer for public consumption or an honest answer,” Pieper chuckled when asked for his opinion.

“To be honest, you will have to do something special to knock that one off,” said Pieper, who went on to a successful collegiate career at Marquette University and was inducted into the Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in his first year of eligibility in 2013. “It’s going to be tough. You’ve got to get over 30 per game for four years.”

When Wausaukee defeated Suring 74-48 before a standing-room-only home crowd on Jan. 16, 1993, Pieper scored 33 points to surpass the previous mark of 2,724 set by Mickey Crowe of St. Nazianz JFK Prep in 1975.

As a senior, Pieper scored a career-high 59 points in the regional championship game and also averaged 6.9 assists, shot 52 percent from the field and 78.7 percent from the free throw line for the season.

A four-time all-Conference honoree and three-time conference Most Valuable Player, Pieper was named the state’s Mr. Basketball and USA Today’s Wisconsin Prep Player of the Year in 1993.

Pieper was a multi-sport athlete that graduated with four varsity letters each in football, basketball and baseball. However, it seemed from an early age that he would leave his mark on the hardwood.

“Both of my parents were coaches, which was an advantage. So was having access to the gym that was definitely a huge thing. I remember being serious about basketball in first and second grade,” he said.

“Once I started going to basketball camps, I was able to pick it up on my own and work on my game individually.”

Pieper said he spent many hours working on his individual skills when he wasn’t trying to hold his own with his older brother, Phil.

“My brother, Phil, was a big-time player at Wausaukee and went on to play Division III. He used to kick my (butt),” Pieper said. “I think I went eight years without scoring a bucket against him. We’d play one-on-one a lot. He taught me how to fight and to be aggressive and to learn how to compete.”

Pieper said playing basketball and being in the gym and working on your game are two different things

“You’re always going to need to play. That’s the only way that you’re going to be able to incorporate that stuff into it,” he said. “You still need to be in the gym working on your game, the lost art of two dribble pull up or getting it completely to the rack with your left hand, with your right hand, coming off screens, shooting off the dribble, all of those things we used to do.”

Hall of Fame coach Don Gosz, who coached Dominican to a state record 62-game winning streak, also doubts Pieper’s record will be broken any time soon.

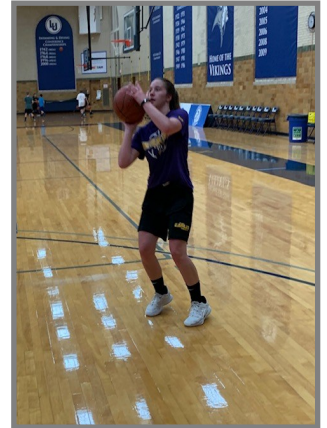
“Anthony Pieper came to my basketball camps years ago and I couldn’t believe how that kid could shoot. It was unbelievable from any place on the court,” Gosz said. “He had all the makings, you could see as a young kid, of being a (NCAA) Division I basketball player.

“If you say never, there is no other option. You never know. Some freshman kid might come through the ranks. It is going to be tough but it’s not impossible.”

Pieper said having his dad, Gene, as a high school coach was an asset, too.

“Your mind is not your friend. I hope you know that. You have to fight with your mind. Control it. Put it in its place. You have to control your emotions, and learn to impose your will on the reality you want to create.”

-Cus D'Amato (1908-1985)

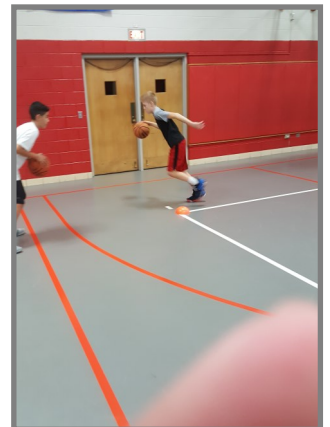


*Competitiveness will
always FIND a way
& Convenience will
always FIND an
EXCUSE!*



“The best players on the team believe in our culture and let us coach them.”

-Jay Wright





*“Invisible
threads are the
strongest ties.”*



**For every mile of
road... there are 2
miles of ditches.**

“He knew how to coach individual players as well as a team. He knew obviously we’d be a better team if I was on the court,” he said.

Pieper said that meant that he couldn’t afford to foul out of games, which had an impact on how much defense he was allowed to play.

“With the way I played, I was going to get two offensive fouls a game because I took it so hard to the bucket. Sometimes I didn’t care if there were people in the way. So I couldn’t get any fouls on defense,” he said.

“My dad knew that so he let me do a lot of freelancing, randomly run around and try to cause some havoc. It was fun but I definitely remember talking to Kevin O’Neill who was my coach my freshman year at Marquette. Basically right after that he said, ‘Now you’ve got this career done. Now we have to figure out how to mold you into a Division I player.’”

Pieper said his mom deserves credit for his development as a shooter, too.

“After she retired, she would come to the gym every day and rebound for me because that was her way of getting exercise,” Pieper said. “We used to chart every shot I took and from what distance, how many out of 25. We did 30,000 shots in one month. I think that was in between my sophomore and junior year of high school. That was a crazy month, a lot of shots.

“My dad started a 10,000 shot club for the team, too. You’d have to keep track of your shots and you’d have three months to do it. A lot of guys did it. But even 10,000, that takes a lot of dedication. You’ve got to get in the gym every day. It was just natural for me to go there. We’d just turn the music on and just shoot.”

Pieper made a lot of sacrifices during high school to make sure he got his skill development work done but said that is what it took for him to be successful.

“I wasn’t the typical kid, let’s put it that way. I was gifted with some athletic ability but not the greatest,” he said. “I knew I needed to work harder than most people just to do what I wanted to do. So I took it upon myself to just do it. In the long run, there’s no doubt I made the right decision.”

Although Pieper said he scored most of his points in transition, he certainly wasn’t shy when it came to taking the ball to the basket. He eventually also earned a reputation as a stellar 3-point shooter during his college career.

Pieper scored 42 points in back-to-back 1993 state tournament games – the 84 points in two games remains a state tournament record – but he lamented his performance in a 65-63 victory over Albany in the state semifinals.

“The first game was actually my worst of the season. I scored 42 but I took (36) shots,” he recalled. “The only thing I did good in that game was that it was a tie game with about a minute left and we held the ball for the entire minute and I made the last-second shot. I was awful. I couldn’t have been any worse that game.”

But Pieper sank four of his first five shots against Cassville and sophomore Sam Okey – who finished with 33 points -- in the title game.

“I remember thinking, ‘Finally, the lid is removed from the hoop.’ So I played much better,” he said, sinking 15 of 29 field goal attempts and 10 of 11 at the free-throw line.

The late Don Kerr, who was a long-time statistician for the WIAA TV broadcasts of the state tournament, was duly impressed.

“I really believe they could have taken four guys off the street and won a state championship,” Kerr said of Pieper. “He was that good.”