



# COACHES HANDBOOK

Service, Advocacy, Professional Development

**2013-2014**



# WELCOME TO BCANY

## Service, Advocacy, and Professional Development

BCANY prides itself on being the premier source of all three to coaches in the state of New York. This handbook provides some insight to the structures, activities, and functions of our organization. We are glad that you have made the choice to be a BCANY member.

As you will see from this document as well as our website, BCANY offers a wide variety of activities. We try to be as responsive as possible to your requests and questions, and value the time and commitment that every basketball coach makes every season.

### From Dave Pasiak, President:

Welcome to the Basketball Coaches Association of New York. All of our members statewide are very happy that you have joined for the 2013-2014 membership year. Membership in the BCANY is evidence of the passion that you have for coaching this great game, and of your commitment to bettering the game throughout New York.

Please take a few moments to familiarize or re-familiarize yourself with all that the BCANY has to offer its members. From recognition awards and programs for you and your players, to educational opportunities through our clinics, newsletters, and website, to our many service projects and activities, to providing a unified voice on the issues of the day, I am sure that you will find many things that can and will directly benefit you, your players, and your program. I also encourage you to become active in any of the BCANY initiatives that might be of particular significance to you. Finally, don't hesitate to reach out to any of our officers and board members with any questions, thoughts, or suggestions that you might have to help the organization or the game.

Thank you for becoming a BCANY member. Whether you coach in college, high school, junior high, or elementary school, and regardless of whether you are a veteran head coach or a first year assistant, you have a tremendous opportunity to have a positive impact on the lives of the young people that you work with. Best of luck for a successful and rewarding 2013-2014 season.

*"I welcome you as a member of BCANY. I think you have made a wise decision as your membership will help the players, the coaches and the game of basketball in our state."*

*—Dave Archer,  
Executive Director*



Coaches accept their awards at the 32nd Annual Fall Clinic.

## BCANY Benefits

- Coaches
- Players
- Basketball in New York State



Hudson Valley Girls huddle up at the Summer Hoops Fest 2013.

## Our Officers

**President:** Dave Pasiak,  
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**Vice President:** Chris Russo,  
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**Past President:** Stan Evans,  
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**Executive Director:** Dave Archer

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Ben Nelson, Section IV & Dave  
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## General Information

BCANY is a service, advocacy, and professional development organization comprised of basketball coaches of all scholastic and collegiate levels from throughout the entire state. Also included as associate members are students, officials, and fans. BCANY is the only organization that exists specifically for basketball coaches in New York State. BCANY takes a leadership role in providing professional development opportunities for coaches and in positively promoting our game. BCANY is an advocate and watch dog for our coaches, players, and game. We try to use our influence to positively improve basketball in our state.

### Vision Statement: Where we want to be

To be a leading state basketball coaches association, concerning membership numbers, activities and services provided

### Mission Statement: Why we exist

The Basketball Coaches Association of New York, Inc. exists to promote the sport of basketball statewide at all levels. Further, it seeks to improve the quality of coaching, foster friendship and statewide interaction among basketball coaches. BCANY is a champion for the coach, the players, the game, in New York State.

### Service Organization: We provide service

The Board of Directors affirms that by far the best reason for joining BCANY is to provide service to fellow coaches, players and the game of basketball in general.

### Structure: How we are organized

1. A Constitution, By-Laws and an operation plan are in place.
2. The BCANY Board of Directors consists of Boys & Girls high school coaches from each NYSPHSAA section, NYC Public, Private and Catholic schools. Also, Men's and Women's coaches at the Division 1, 2 and 3, as well as Junior College levels.
3. BCANY is designated as a 501c.3 organization by the IRS



Dave Pasiak gives out the awards at the Slam Dunk Contest this Summer.



## BCANY Activities

**Annual Fall/Spring Clinics:** These clinics are a great opportunity to network, learn about the game you coach, and have fun. The annual clinics host chalk talk sessions, round-table discussions, and on-court sessions. Coaches have the opportunity to learn from the best and infuse new drills, plays, and techniques into your program, as well as gather information on fund-raising activities, service games/organizations, and current topics such as playing time, dealing with parents, practice planning and more.

**Summer Hoops Festival:** Originally created to take the place of the Empire Games, BCANY created the Summer Hoops Festival to provide an extra opportunity for players and coaches to participate in a state-wide tournament. Teams from 9 areas around the state – comprised of the best players from each section – compete in a weekend tournament in Johnson City. Dozens of college coaches are on hand to watch the action and begin the recruiting process. There is a slam-dunk contest, 3-pt contest, and seminars for parents and players.

**BCANY Website:** BCANY has its own website – [www.bcany.org](http://www.bcany.org) – that has general information about our organization, contact information, downloadable forms, a play of the day, and content for members only.

**Coaching & Player Awards:** BCANY awards several coaches and players each year. There are milestone, dedication, coach of the year, and service awards for coaches. We name the Best of BCANY, Top 50, Mr. and Miss Basketball, and scholar athlete awards for players. Head coaches must be members of BCANY to make themselves and/or their players eligible.

**Showcase Events:** Several local BCANY Chapters host showcase events. These events are designed to showcase the top players in the area and college coaches are invited to attend.

**Hall of Fame and Virtual Hall of Fame:** The BCANY Hall of Fame Committee uses an objective point system to evaluate nominees for the Hall of Fame. The system is based on 5 categories – years as head coach, won-loss percentage, championships won, service/contribution, and honors/awards. Nominees must be or have been a member of BCANY. BCANY also maintains the virtual Hall of Fame, [www.nybasketballhall offame.com](http://www.nybasketballhall offame.com), which includes team histories, great players and teams.

**Service:** BCANY prides itself on being a service organization. We are here for coaches of all levels throughout NY State. Partnerships with the Coaches vs. Cancer program and Samaritan's Feet allow coaches to use the game of basketball to help others. Our Executive Director, President, and Board Members speak as a unified voice to promote and protect our game, coaches, and players.

**Representation:** BCANY represents and protects the interests of our coaches and players at all levels. BCANY provides a unified voice to section administration, NYSPHSAA, and represents NY basketball on the national level.

**Other Activities:** Other BCANY activities include recognition for officials, hospitality at the State Tournament, Buzzer-Beater and e-mail blasts, Facebook page, Coaches Assist Fund, pre-season polls, and the Frees and Threes competition.



# What does BCANY do for me?

## Information and Support for Coaches

Through our various activities, actions, website, and clinic, BCANY continues to support our members and protect our game. Information about BCANY events around the state, rule changes, professional development, and player/coach recognition can be found on our website, buzzer beater e-mails, and the NY Hoop Report.

## Recognition for Coaches - Awards Include:

- Service and Dedication Awards:** The Coaching Dedication Award is to honor coaches in New York State who have coached for a number of years. Different sized plaques for 15 years, 20 years, 25 years and continuing in 5 year increments are presented. Coaching Dedication Awards will be presented at the annual BCANY Clinic and Conference. Please send an email or letter to Dave Archer, Executive Director, with the name of the coach, number of years as a head coach, and the names of the school(s) at which he/she coached no later than **August 1st** each year.
- Victory/Milestone Awards:** BCANY continues to honor coaches that have reached milestone number of victories at the varsity level in New York State. Over 1,000 coaches have been honored to date. Coaches receive a certificate for achieving 100 and 200 wins. Plaques are awarded for 300+ victories. The plaques are symbolic in nature to recognize achievements in the basketball coaching profession and will be presented at the annual BCANY Clinic and Conference. If you have passed a milestone, please send your name, the name of your school and the number of wins achieved to the Executive Director no later than **August 1st** each year. Names received after August 1st will automatically be saved for the next year. The categories are: 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600 plus wins.
- Coach of the Year:** BCANY recognizes a Coach of the Year in each Section (Class or Big/Small Schools), a state-wide Coach of the Year, and Division I, College and Junior College Level. Section/Area representatives handle the section nomination and a certificate is given to each winner. State Coach of the Year winner is selected by committee.



- Assistant Coach Awards:** The Assistant Coach Award is to honor any long time assistant coach (junior varsity, freshman, junior high, etc.) who has shown dedication to basketball, their school and community, and the students they educated. Please send an email or letter to Dave Archer, executive Director, with the name of the Assistant Coach, school(s) at which they coached no later than **August 1st** each year.

- Hall of Fame:** The BCANY Hall of Fame Committee uses an objective point system to evaluate nominees for the Hall of Fame. The system is based on 5 categories: years as head coach, won-loss

percentage, championships won, service/contribution, and honors/awards. Nominees must be or have been a member of BCANY. The induction ceremony is held each year at the NYSPHSAA Basketball Championship.

- NYS Basketball Virtual Hall of Fame ([nybasketballhalloffame.com](http://nybasketballhalloffame.com)):** This unique website was created to celebrate all aspects of the New York State basketball world. The site is devoted to celebrating New York State basketball's rich history. In addition to a virtual representation of all Hall of Fame members, the site also recognizes Outstanding Media, Outstanding Referees, Outstanding Moments, Outstanding Players and Outstanding Teams. The site encourages interaction from site visitors by offering an easy, digital way for fans to nominate future Hall of Fame inductees. The state-of-the-art website will be updated frequently by BCANY staff with news updates, countdowns to future inductions, and photo galleries of events which will make each viewing of the website new and exciting.

**Nomination forms for all of our awards can be found at [BCANY.org](http://BCANY.org). Be sure to nominate the coaches that have had the biggest impact in your life, and get them the recognition they have earned!**

# What does BCANY do for me? Continued...

## Professional Development

- **Annual Clinics:** BCANY organizes and hosts 2 clinics each year. One in the fall and one in the spring. These clinics include lectures and on-court demonstrations from high school and college coaches of all levels. The fall clinic is usually end of September/early October and the spring clinic is usually in May.
- **Buzzer Beater E-Mails:** These e-mails provide valuable information about upcoming events and new items posted on the website.
- **NY Hoop Report:** Published on our website for members only, The NY Hoop Report is the official newsletter for BCANY. The newsletter contains information on BCANY activities and events, partnerships, news updates, changes to our game, and a special "News From Around the State" section in which members of the Board of Directors provide information on their Section/Area.
- **BCANY Drill Book:** Members can review and print copies of the drill book with their access to the website. The book is filled with the best plays, practice drills, and information from coaches in our association.
- **BCANY.org:** The website contains a tremendous amount of information for coaches. It includes news and updates on BCANY events, links for the Hall of Fame, forms/information on all BCANY awards, BCANY Service Program, records and more. There is a member's only area in which our members have exclusive access to the NY Hoop Report, chalk talk, news from each section, a discussion board, and the BCANY Drill Book.



## Partnerships and Public Relations

BCANY is developing appropriate business relationships to support the growth of the association and members. One of our most important jobs is to promote the activities of the association and its members throughout New York State. Through the use of the website, Facebook page and Twitter, BCANY is dedicated to promoting the activities of member coaches and the association.

## More Perks!

- **Liability Insurance:** BCANY can provide liability insurance for BCANY approved events such as a Showcase event, multi-scrimmage, or service games/tournaments
- **Coaches Assist Fund:** BCANY established a Coaches Assist Fund to eventually be able to help member coaches and/or their families that are experiencing extremely difficult times. The goal is to grow the fund before using very much of it. In the short term small amounts of the fund can be used to send flowers or other small acts of kindness.



# What does BCANY do for my players?

## Exposure

BCANY sponsors several events locally and statewide to promote our players. These activities include:



- **Showcase Events:** Many of our local chapters organize and run player showcases. These showcases are designed to attract collegiate coaches by providing them the opportunity to see the best players in each area. Player contact and statistical information are frequently give to college coaches in attendance.
- **Hoops Festival:** The Summer Hoops Festival began in 2011 to replace the opportunity lost by the cancellation of the Empire Games. The Hoops Festival is a weekend of great basketball as teams from around the state compete in a round-robin and championship tournament. This past Summer over 30 college recruiters were present from across the region.

## Recognition

Players of members are eligible for a number of awards including:

- **Best of BCANY:** This list recognizes the Top 50 Players in New York State
- **All-Section Teams:** Each local chapter produces and All-Section Team to recognize the best players in each section. All-star teams, nomination, and selection are organized by each section's BCANY representative.
- **Mr. and Miss Basketball:** Awarded to the best male and female player in New York State
- **Player of the Year:** Awarded to the best male and female players at the Junior College and College division
- **BCANY All-New York State:** Awarded to the top Junior College and Division III College players
- **Scholar Athlete Awards:** We have the following awards to recognize the top student-athletes in New York:
  - ⇒ *Academic-All State Team:* The nominee must be a sophomore, junior or senior on the varsity team, with a minimum scholastic average of 90, (or 3.5 on a 4.0 scale), and must be names as a 1st or 2nd Team All-Star by the league, Section, or local media
  - ⇒ *Team Academic All State:* The varsity team must have a minimum scholastic average of 90 or better (or 3.5 on a 4.0 scale). A coach would ascertain the academic average for his team by using the academic average of all players on his/her team.
  - ⇒ *Scholar Athlete Awards:* Over 1,300 Scholar Athlete certificates have been awarded to qualifying seniors. High school players must be a senior and ranked in the top 10% of their class at the end of the first semester. College players must be a senior with a 2.3 GPA up to and including their 1st semester of their senior year.
- **BCANY Scholarships:** This award is to honor a high school senior who has participated in the high school program in some way. Consideration is given to character, need, and academic record. The high school coach nominating an individual for a BCANY Scholarship must submit a clearly printed or typed letter of recommendation and any supporting documentation by **February 1st**.
- **Frees and Threes Competition:** This is a state-wide statistical Free Throw and 3 Point Shooting competition for individuals and teams. The contest is based on the total number made and shooting percentage; winners receive certificates.



# GET INVOLVED!

- **Become a BCANY Board Member:** The BCANY Board of Directors consists of Boys & Girls high school coaches from each NYSPHSAA section, NYC Public, Private and Catholic schools. Also, Men's and Women's coaches at the Division I, II-III and Junior College Levels. We also have a Boys and Girls Coach Representative from every scholastic league in the state.
- **BCANY Local Chapters:** Each section has a Member of the Board of Directors and an Assistant Director. You can contact either of them to offer help, get involved, or organize/host a BCANY event. Some activities that happen on the local level include:
  - Balloting and selecting BCANY All-Section/Area Teams
  - BCANY Social Events
  - Showcase Events
  - Service Events
  - Tournaments/Multi-Scrimmages



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## Stay in Touch with BCANY

Want the most up to date information about what's happening in New York scholastic basketball? Be sure to like our page on Facebook, follow us on Twitter, and read the e-mails we send out!

We truly believe that BCANY can act as the voice of coaches to advocate for the best possible future of scholastic basketball. We want to hear what's on your mind, what changes you think need to be made, and how BCANY can help you achieve the best possible coaching career!



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