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LIONS BASKETBALL TEAMS BOTH MOVE ON TO STATE
ALL SEVEN ATHLETIC PROGRAMS HAVE QUALIFIED FOR STATE
COMPETITION IN 2010-2011

The athletic programs at Lutheran High School Parker continue to make an impression at the state level. The Lions will be playing at CSU-Pueblo this weekend, as both the boys and girls basketball teams won their respective regional tournaments. Lutheran Parker is the only 2A school in Colorado to qualify both basketball teams to the Great Eight. Lutheran Parker is also the only school in Colorado to qualify all of their athletic programs to postseason play at the state level this year.

The boys team finished the regular season with a 16-3 record, including wins against state-tournament bound teams Denver Christian and Denver Lutheran. They were ranked in the top ten by various media outlets throughout the entire season. The Lions secured the third seed out of District 4 and competed in regional play at Otero Junior College last weekend. On Friday, March 4, the Lions outlasted Sargent High School by a final of 54-44. The Lions took on the undefeated Rye Thunderbolts on Saturday and claimed the Regional Championship with a 70-67 victory. The Lions are the fifth seed at the state tournament and will take on league rival Denver Christian on Thursday, March 10.

The Lady Lions finished the regular season with an outstanding 17-2 record. This included victories over 3A Kent Denver, 5A Legend, 4A Faith Lutheran (Nevada), league nemesis Front Range Christian, and two wins over rival Denver Lutheran. The Lady Lions secured the second seed from District 4, which sent them to Mesa State in Grand Junction for the regional round. On March 4 they matched up with Ignacio High School and won by a score of 43-27, advancing to the Regional Championship. The Lady Lions pulled out the victory on Saturday, defeating the Sargent Farmers 35-29. They have been given the sixth seed at the state tournament and will meet Rye in a first-round matchup on Thursday.

This follows up a fall season in which all five of Lutheran Parker's fall programs advanced to state playoff competition. The boys golf, boys soccer, volleyball, football, and cross country teams all qualified for state in their respective sports.

In addition to their excellence on the court, both teams were nominated for the CHSAA Academic All-State Team, as the girls had a team GPA of 3.844 and the boys with at 3.610. 23 junior and senior winter athletes achieved individual Academic All-State honors as well.

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