



ELITE SPORTS EVENTS TIP OFF CLASSIC
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Elite Sports Events put on another phenomenal tournament last weekend in Trumbull as some of the best teams and programs in Connecticut competed for the title of Champion in the Junior Tip Off classic.

In the High School Division, the most dominant team of the Weekend was CT Elite-Powell as they won both their pool matches with blowouts. In one game they started out with a 23-0 run and in their second game they led at half 39-18! In the next day's championship game, CT Premier did not show up and that gave CT Elite Powell the championship by forfeit! The Elite team was led by Bryan LaChance with an average of 21 points and 7 rebounds, Conner Raines with 19 points and 9 boards and Joey Cantey with explosive plays at the point guard position, leading his team emotionally and contributing 17 points and 8 assists in the two wins.

In the 15U/14U Division, two hard playing teams took the court as CT Premier-Carothers battled against CT Elite-Richardson. CT Premier dominated play with easy blowout wins leading up to the championship game. CT Elite-Richardson had two tough losses in pool play but that didn't matter as they caught fire at the right time and carried that momentum into the playoffs. In the Championship game they continued their torrid run as they took advantage of some very hot shooting and an aggressive defense to breeze to a 64-33 victory to claim the championship. Elite had very balanced scoring with 5 players in double digits led by Francis Barton and Oral Wynter with 11 each. CT Premier was led by Murphy with 9 and Weisnewski with 7 in defeat.

In the 13U Division, two teams absolutely dominated and they were both from the same program as CT Elite-Perrier and CT Elite-Taylor both went undefeated in pool play. Seeing as how both teams were from the same program, Elite Taylor deferred and allowed the worthy CT Premier-Rogers to take their place in the championship game for a championship battle between 2 opposing programs. In the end, CT Elite was simply too tough as their extended defense and half court traps dominated the game against a very tenacious and well Coached CT Premier-Rogers team, 63-41! Elite was led by CJ Capoloa and Brett Hutchinson with 15 points apiece and Colby Steinfeld chipped in 10 points for the victors.

In the 12U Division CT Elite-Taylor took on CT Elite-Babikian! Both teams had tough semi finals games but proved to be worthy of the challenge as each won very hard fought games. Seeing as how both teams practice together and know each other well as teammates, they decided to share the championship trophy and call it a night! Some of the standout players were Conner Delawder and Isaac Berkowitz who both averaged double/doubles throughout the tournament. Nate Schaer and Wesley Keenan led the action for Babikian as both teams played exceptionally well.

In the 11U/10U division CT Premier-Ellis took on CT Premier-Daniels in the championship game as both teams from the same program earned their way to the title game! This was a very exciting game as these youngsters put on an amazing display of effort and energy! Ellis' team proved to be too much in the end as they dominated the glass and played great team defense on their way to a 48-29 championship win! Charlie Honig and Gavin Rothenburg led team Ellis with 12 and 11 points respectively for the victors! Ethan and Jake led team Daniels with 7 and 6 points in defeat!