

NORTH TARTAN

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North Tartan alumni #NTFam Arike Ogunbowale is the talk of the nation! As her epic three year career at Notre Dame continues, you would imagine a student-athlete might be content as the Irish's second all-time leading scorer to make her college career complete. However, that is not her. The entire nation watched Arike hit a long jumper to upset undefeated UConn with a second left. But she was not done! So how do you top a last second buzzer beater? The only way is.....you hit an even longer one from a similar spot at the buzzer to win the national championship of the best Women's Final Four ever! *Big Time players make plays at Big Time moments!*

Hopefully you were able to watch
[@TheEllenShow](#) Friday!

CHOPPY START

With a later MSHSL Girls State Championship, an early Easter, and a spring break coveted by essentially every school district in MN, the beginning of the 2018 season has been sporadic and “choppy”. It has been an unusual start which means the next few practices will be vital to prepare for early season competition. All coaches are aware of the calendar so expect an extra emphasis on details over the next few weeks. One word of advice.... train = run = get in shape! Do not allow yourself to get taken out of a game because you are out of shape! Imagine, being scouted by a college coach and you play sluggish and exhausted? The perception is not a positive one! Run a few miles a day on your own!

NEWS: USA and Paige

USA Basketball finalized its women’s team for the Summer Youth Olympic Games after the 3x3 National Championship was held March 24-25 at the Olympic Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Aliyah Boston, Sam Brunelle, Hailey VanLith, and #NTFam Paige Bueckers will be representing the United States October 6-18, 2018 in Bruno's Aires, Argentina. The basketball competition will be played under FIBA 3x3 rules. The 2018 Games will include 20 women’s teams. Congrats PAIGE!

Information and Tid-Bits!

Please, pay close attention to emails. Once you see an opportunity to book a room, please do so. Hotels are not giving us a lot

of time to hold on to room blocks. Email your coaches if you have any questions.

Director Bill Larson’s schedule

April 6th - Attend Nike EYBL practice
7pm-9pm

April 7th - Attend North Tartan practices
Maple Grove

April 7th - Mid-Afternoon St. Cloud Comets
Tournament

April 8th - 9th - AAU Executive Meeting in
Nashville, TN

April 14th - Practice Maple Grove / Metro
Stars Tournament

April 15th - Practice Maple Grove / Metro
Stars Tournament

April 19th - 22nd - NIKE Boo Williams
Hampton, VA

(19th Arrive ORF 3:00pm - 22nd Depart ORF
6:36pm)

April 25th - AAU seeding meeting St. Louis
Park

Apparel: More apparel will be available on April 7th at Maple Grove Community Gyms. Definitely not as elaborate as the first weekend since Paul Lindsey is out of town. If there are items you are particularly looking for feel free to email. Thank you for representing North Tartan!

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With a Bounce!

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