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Houston County Sharks Win Handball State Championship After Undefeated Season



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – The Houston County Sharks won the 2021 Varsity State Wheelchair Handball Championships. The American Association of Adapted Sports/Georgia High School Association handball championship tournament was held November 7.

After going undefeated in the regular season, the Sharks beat the Clayton County Eagles 5-1 in the semi-final game, and then went on to beat the DeKalb County Silver Streaks, 9-2 in the championship game.

Christy Jones, orthopedic impaired teacher and program area coordinator, commented, “Words cannot express how proud I am to be able to coach these athletes. This summer, they made a commitment to work hard and improve their skills, and that commitment paid off. It’s a great day to be a Shark!”

The Sharks varsity team consists of the following players:

- Adonis Brown, Houston County High
- Dalton Crosby, Huntington Middle
- Anthony Cuti, Mossy Creek Middle
- Ger’mir Gordon, Mossy Creek Middle
- Car’on Harris, Veterans High
- Elianna Stevens, Houston County High
- Dylan Thompson, Veterans High
- Langley Yoh, Houston County High

The coaches are:

- Christy Jones, head varsity coach
- Melissa Ring-Hartman, assistant varsity coach
- Wesley Walker, assistant varsity coach
- Rene Langlois, interpreter
- Jamie Schneller, interpreter

In 2008, the Houston County Board of Education approved adding this adapted sports program to offer students with physical disabilities the opportunity to play wheelchair basketball, football and handball. The sports are sanctioned by the Georgia High School Association.

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