



The Blazers Boys and Girls Club were division champions in the 1st and 2nd grade category.



The 3rd and 4th grade team from the Blazers Boys and Girls Club won their division against teams from four other local Boys and Girls Clubs at in the Basketball Leadership League tournament.



Players from grades 3-6 comprise the winning East All-Stars team, comprised of players from all of the Boys and Girls Clubs in the Portland area.



Coach Austen (left) and Coach Rashida (right) work with kids like Noah (center) to build character and sportsmanship.

Basketball Leadership League

Boys & Girls Clubs host tournament

Boys & Girls Clubs of Portland wrapped up its 8-week basketball Leadership League with an all-Club tournament on Nov. 19 at the Blazers Boys & Girls Club in northeast Portland.

The league, which focuses on building character and sportsmanship, is driven by volunteer coaches and community partnerships with organizations like Buffalo Wild

Wings, Rip City Academy, and Portland Parks and Recreation.

“Coaching with the Boys & Girls Club provided an amazing opportunity to work with kids with unlimited amounts of energy. There is no greater feeling than watching a player not only learn basic basketball concepts but to take away life lessons like team work, integrity, and compassion,” said Coach Rashida, who led the 1st and 2nd and 3rd and 4th grade teams out of the Wattles Boys and Girls Club in southeast Portland.



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