

# *Eminence Independent Schools*

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I would like to recommend a Hall of Fame candidate from Eminence High School. Her name is Chrissy Roberts and Chrissy was as fine of an athlete as a person. She went on to star at both the University of Kentucky and Eastern Kentucky University. She is currently the head coach at ECU for Women's Basketball.

Some info on her is as follows:

A native of Eminence, Kentucky, Roberts won first team All State honors and was an All American selection at Eminence High School, and she was picked to play in the Kentucky-Indiana All-Star game. Chrissy shattered every Eminence record ever held and won the district for the first and only time in the school's history. She signed a full-scholarship from Eminence with the University of Kentucky.

After attending Kentucky for two years, she transferred to ECU. In her two seasons at Eastern, Roberts led the Lady Colonels to two OVC regular season titles, a conference tournament championship, and appearances in the NCAA and WNIT tournaments. During her junior season (1996-97), she head the nation in three pointshooting, winning both the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame's Edward S. Steitz Award and the AT&T Long Distance Award. Her shoes, jersey and practice gear were enshrined in the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts. She was named an OVC First Team All-Conference member in both seasons and, in the 1997-98 season, was named OVC Player of the Year and was an Honorable Mention selection on the Kodak All-American Team. She still holds the ECU records for most three point field goals in a season (85 in 1996-97) and highest career three point shooting percentage (47.6%). She was named a member of the ECU Athletics Hall of Fame in 2007. Roberts earned her bachelors degree in sports supervision in 1998 and her masters degree in sports administration in 1999, both from ECU.

Coaching career

After graduating from Eastern Kentucky, Roberts remained there as a graduate assistant coach while earning her masters degree. She then spent one year as an assistant coach at Tennessee Tech before returning to ECU for two more years as an assistant coach. In 2002, Roberts began a six year stint as an assistant for the East Carolina Pirates. On June 3, 2008, Roberts was named as the eighth coach in the history of Eastern Kentucky women's basketball program and returned to her alma mater.

As a fellow classmate of Chrissy's and a friend, there is no one that is any more deserving of this honor! If you have any questions or follow-up, please ask.

Buddy Berry  
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