



History of
HEATH HIGH SCHOOL
PIRATES/LADY PIRATES
Basketball *1920 - 2013*

by John Thomas (Tommy) Bobo

Brief History of Heath High School

Heath High School began as a thought in 1909 when state law mandated each Kentucky county have a public secondary school. Two Heath residents - A.P. Hill and Henry Harting - lobbied for the school to be located at Heath. The two men rode a mule drawn-buggy over rough roads to obtain neighbors donations and signatures for the petition. The two men raised \$2,000.00 and each donated \$100.00 and three acres of land for the construction of Heath's first school building.

Initially (1910) the school was named McCracken County High School. It was renamed Heath High School when other secondary schools were built in Reidland (1915) and Lone Oak (1916).

The foundation was completed in 1909, and the next year, a week after the beginning of the term, during which Heath high school students attended classes in a residence, the two-story block building was opened. J.S. Ragsdale, former principal of the Western Kentucky College in Lone Oak, became the first McCracken County High School principal.

The original two-story block building served students until the year 1935 when it was replaced by a beautiful red-brick structure. This new brick school served the students until it was replaced with a new more modern school in the fall of 1992. Students continued their education in this facility until the graduating class of 2013 closed the final chapter in the life of Heath High School.

The three county High Schools (Heath, Reidland, and Lone Oak) consolidated and started classes in the new McCracken County High School in the fall of 2013.

It is with great pride of being a former Heath High School student and having worn the black and gold colors as a Heath Pirate basketball player that has inspired me to put this history of Heath High School basketball together. I give thanks to the many caring teachers and school staff that helped give me and thousands of other students over the years the foundation to build our lives on.

John Thomas (Tommy) Bobo
Heath High School Class of 1967

HEATH HIGH SCHOOL

PIRATES/LADY PIRATES BASKETBALL TEAMS

1920 – 2013

2013 LAST VOYAGE – FINAL SAILING FOR THE HEATH PIRATES/LADY PIRATES

(Boys) Coach Burlin Brower, Assistant coaches Dustin Roberts, Seth Hart (Won 18 – Lost 9), Principal Jon Reid Jason Armstrong (scored last basket at HHS gym), Luke Jordan, Bryce Rodgers, Caleb Stonecipher, Nathan Telfair, Landon Rice, Evan Perkins, Chase McAtee, Riley Kimball, LaDarrius Jackson, Brennan Day, Keegan Breeze, Billy Wadley

(Girls) Coach Tammy Chapman, Assistant coach Robert Polivick (Won 12 – Lost 14)
Maddye Rice, Lexie Baer, Adrianna Hollowell, Shelby Turner, Kaylyn Telfair, Shalunda Martin, Gemma Knight, Brittney Kinsey, Kyla Kidd, Autumn Gorham, Makenzie Glisson, Chelsie Brown
Maddye Rice “All Purchase”

2012

Boys Class A Regional Champion Class A State Tournament Semi-Finals

(Boys) Coach Burlin Brower, Assistant coaches Kris Garrett, Dustin Roberts (Won 18 – Lost 11), Principal Jon Reid Drew Wrinkle, Jacob McManon, Bryce Rogers, Jacob Jett, Jason Armstrong, Nathan Telfair, Landon Rice, Javen Bell, Caleb Stonecipher, David Castleman, Chase Bradley, Hayden Pace, Luke Jordan, Ever Perkins
Jacob Jett named “All Purchase”
Jacob Jett and Drew Wrinkle named to “Class A All Tournament Team”

(Girls) Coach Tammy Chapman, Assistant coach Robert Polivick (Won 10 – Lost 20)
Autumn Gorham, McKenzie O’Donley, Adrianna Hollowell, Brittany Kinsey, Danielle Chapman, Kaylyn Telfair, Haley Wathen, Shania Etherton, Kayla Slage, Kyla Kidd, McKenzie Glisson, Allison Garrett, Karley O’Donley, Maddye Rice, Shelby Turner, Lauren White, Shalunda Martin

2011

Boys Class A Regional Champion Class A State Tournament

(Boys) Coach Burlin Brower, Assistant coaches Kris Garrett, Dustin Roberts (Won 20 – Lost 11), Principal Jon Reid Javen Bell, Damien Bolen, Luke Jordan, Chase Bradley, David Castleman, Drew Robinson, Hayden Pace, Drew Wrinkle, Landon Rice, Kurck Riley, Evan Perkins, Bryce Rogers, David Wallace, Jacob Jett
Jacob Jett and Drew Robinson named “All Purchase”

(Girls) Coach Tammy Chapman, Assistant Robert Polivick (Won 12 – Lost 16)
Lauren Baer named “All Purchase”
Elizabeth McSparin, Kylie Jackson, Lauren Baer, Shelby Turner, Makenzie Glisson, Lexie Baer, Maddye Rice, Allison Garrett, Maci Fletcher, Brittney Kinsey, Danielle Chapman, Mackenzie O’Donley, Adrianna Hollowell, Kaylyn Telfair, Karley O’Donley

2010

Burlin Brower named “First Region Coach of the Year”

Coach Jimmy Long inducted into the Kentucky Association of Basketball Coaches (KABC)

(Boys) Coach Burlin Brower, Assistant coaches Kris Garrett, Dustin Roberts (Won 19 – Lost 12), Principal Brian Schooley, Drew Wrinkle, Kurck Riley, Jacob Jett, Drew Robinson, David Wallace, Condillard Howard, TJ Wadley, Trey Tharp, Chase Bradley, Brock Jordan, Damien Bolen, Luke Jordan, Ethan Karnes

(Girls) Coach Tammy Chapman, Assistant Robert Polivick (Won 16 – Lost 15)

Karley O’Donley, Lauren Baer, Elizabeth McSparin, Danielle Chapman, Lauren Paxton, Katie Armstrong, Taryn Simons, Shawna Via, Miriah Cissell, Maci Fletcher, Jordyn Phillips, Allison Garrett

2009

(Boys) Coach Burlin Brower, Assistant coaches Kris Garrett, Dustin Roberts (Won 11 – Lost 15), Principal Russ Tilford, Eric Straub named “All Purchase”

Brock Jordan, Damien Bolen, Casey Breeze, Corey Drake, Eric Straub, Drew Robinson, Jordan Dukek, Nathan Burrows, Zack Schall, Tra Tharp, Condillard Howard, Jacob Jett, David Wallace, Javen Bell, Chase Bradley, Drew Wrinkle

(Girls) Coach Tammy Chapman, Assistant coaches Robert Polivick, Kevin Abanatha (Won 12 – Lost 11)

Maci Fletcher, Elizabeth McSparin, Jordyn Phillips, Lauren Baer, Karley O’Donley, Katie Armstrong, Miriah Cissell, Shawna Via, Taryn Simons, Lauren Paxton, Breanna Clayton, Danielle Chapman, Allison Garrett, Jamie Pritchett

2008

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long – 19th and final season, Assistant coaches Burlin Brower, Kris Garrett (Won 14 – Lost 13), Principal Russ Tilford

Blake Walton, Tra Tharp, Jordan Gough, Eric Straub, Casey Breese, John Evanko, Nathan Burrow, Brock Jordan, Matt Poat, Tyler Simons, Jordan Dukek, Condillard Howard, Zach Schall

Eric Straub named “All Purchase”

(Girls) Coach Mary Lee Hendricks – 11th and final season, Assistant coaches Stephanie McElya, Dustin Roberts (Won 7 – Lost 21)

Jordyn Phillips, Megan Cockrel, Chelsy Chambers, Paige Cochran, Lauren Paxton, Lauren Baer, Elizabeth McSparin, Taryn Simons, Emily Kodman, Jamie Pritchett, Katie Armstrong

2007

(Boys) Class A Regional Champions

Andrew Baer and Max McConnell named “All Purchase”

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant coaches Burlin Brower, Kris Garrett (Won 21 – Lost 10), Principal Russ Tilford, John Evanko, Eric Straub, Casey Breese, Nathan Burrow, Blake Walton, Matt Poat, Andrew Baer, Zach Schall, Seth Hart, Max McConnell, Tyler Simons, Jon Shidal, Jordan Gough

(Girls) Coach Mary Lee Hendricks, Assistant coaches Stephanie Wood, Dustin Roberts (Won 11 – Lost 16)

McKensie Austin, Lauren Paxton, Katie Armstrong, Kelsey Holland, Tish Tate, Chelsy Chambers, Paige Cochran, Taylor Wrinkle, Katelyn Rice, Megan Bunte, Emily Kodman, Jamie Pritchett, Daria Kingsley, Jenny Bittner

2006

Jimmy Long named “First Region Coach of the Year”

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant coaches Burlin Brower, Kris Garrett (Won 23 – Lost 5), Principal Russ Tilford Neal Millay, Alex Kursave, Matt Poat, Virgil Burton, Aaron Klope, Austin Kennady, Jordan Gough, John Evanko, Blake Walton, Andrew Baer, Jon Shidal, Tyler Simons, Seth Hart, Max McConnell, Justin Jett, Clint Tilford, Jayce Long
Jayce Long named “All Purchase”

(Girls) Coach Mary Lee Hendricks, Assistant coaches Stephanie Woods, Dustin Roberts (Won 7 – Lost 16)
Chelsy Chambers, Darla Kingsley, Brittany Skinner, Lauren Neal, Morgan Stone, Paige Cochran, Megan Bunte, Tish Tate, Kelsey Burchett, Jamie Pritchett, Emily Kodman, Katie Graves

2005

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant coaches Burlin Brower, Kris Garrett (Won 15 – Lost 13), Principal Russ Tilford Brad Lewis, Brandon Austin, Virgil Burton, Aaron Klope, Andrew Baer, Harry Jackson, Jon Shidal, Justin Jett, Seth Hart, Max McConnell, Tiron Peoples, Clint Tilford, Jayce Long
Boys Class A Regional Champions
Jayce Long named “All Purchase”

(Girls) Coach Mary Lee Hendricks, Assistant coaches Tim Rudolph, Dustin Roberts (Won 9 – Lost 12)
Daria Kingsley, Katie Graves, Laura Bass, Erin Vied, Lauren Neal, Elizabeth Graves, Ashley Simmons, Jessica Castleman, Hannah Klope, Emelia McConnell, Kayla Vance, Brittney Skinner

2004

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant coaches Burlin Brower, Kris Garrett (Won 16 – Lost 14), Principal Barbara McGinty Virgil Burton, Aaron Klope, Derrick Elrod, Rick Cochran, Brandon Brayboy, Brad Lewis, Cory Bobo, Jayce Long, Chad Hampton, Brandon Austin, Clint Tilford, Justin Jett, Adam Dukek, Adam Klope, TiRon Peoples, Logan Ormes
Brandon Brayboy named “All Purchase”

(Girls) Coach Mary Lee Hendricks, Assistant coaches Tim Rudolph, Dustin Roberts (Won 12 – Lost 16)
Katie Graves, Daria Kingsley, Ashley Simmons, Samantha Bottoms, Erin Vied, Lauren Neal, Elizabeth Graves, Brittney Steffen, Jessica Castleman, Emelia McConnell, Kayla Vance, Brittney Skinner, Laura Bass
Kayla Vance named “All Purchase”

2003

BOYS DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

Jimmy Long named “First Region Coach of the Year”

Charlie Throgmorton named “All Purchase”

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant coaches Burlin Brower, Kris Garrett (Won 24 – Lost 4), Principal Barbara McGinty Justin Holmes, Rick Cochran, Brandon Austin, Lance Wrinkle, Brandon Bennett, Eric Eidson, Jayce Long, Charlie Throgmorton, Brandon Brayboy, Steven Skinner, Clayton Jeter, Cody Morehead, Jesse O’Donley, Adam Klope, Adam Dukek

(Girls) Coach Mary Lee Hendricks (Won 11 – Lost 14)

Ashley Simmons, Taylor Perry, Laura Bass, Kayla Vance, Erin Vied, Samantha Bottoms, Jessica Castleman, Rebekah Schaberg, Sarah Lovett, Emilia McConnell, Allison Fletcher, Jennifer McSparin, Jacqueline Fayne
Jennifer McSparin and Kayla Vance named “All Purchase”

2002

Jimmy Long named “First Region Coach of the Year”

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant coaches Burlin Brower, Kris Garrett (Won 16 – Lost 11), Principal Barbara McGinty Lance Wrinkle, Brandon Bennett, Charlie Throgmorton, Cory Turner, Eric Eidson, Austin Davis, Steven Skinner, Chris Droge, Cody Morehead, Jesse O’Donley, Dustin Crane, Michael Ledgerwood

(Girls) Coach Mary Lee Hendricks, Assistant coaches Ben Crenshaw, Robert Dew (Won 18 – Lost 6)

Jessica Castleman, Ellen Bradley, Jennifer McElya, Lauri Throgmorton, Clarissa Walden, Kayla Vance, Samantha Bottoms, Allison Fletcher, Sarah Lovett, Becky Schaberg, Tiffany Adams, Jennifer McSparin

Jennifer McElya and Jennifer McSparin named “All Purchase”

2001

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant coaches Burlin Brower, Kris Garrett (Won 11 – Lost 16), Principal Barbara McGinty Eric Eidson, Sanjay Patel, Matt Weaver, Austin Davis, Nathaniel Hantle, Charlie Throgmorton, Steven Skinner, Lance Wrinkle, Dustin Crane, Dwayne Stone, Jesse O’Donley, Steven Irvan, Chris Droge, Brandon Bennett, Chris Brawner, Cory Turner

(Girls) Coach Mary Lee Hendricks, Assistant coaches Tommy Fletcher, John Sims (Won 19 – Lost 10)

Lindsay England, Katie Sullivan, Lauri Throgmorton, Clarissa Walden, Brooke Watson, Kayla Vance, Jessica Jones, Allison Fletcher, Sarah Lovette, Becky Schaberg, Jennifer McElya, Jennifer McSparin, Tiffany Adams, Jennifer Dickey
Girls Class A Regional Champions, Class A State Tournament

Jennifer McElya named “All Purchase”

2000 Rule Change: Three-person Officiating Team

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant coaches Burlin Brower (Won 13 – Lost 16), Principal Bill Bond Daniel Anderson, Ben Story, Cory Turner, Matt Weaver, Austin Davis, Nathaniel Hantle, Shane Youngblood, Sanjay Patel, Corey Green, Jonathan Lusk, Dwayne Stone, Steve Irvan, Dustin Crane, Urias Mends-Cole, Chris Brawner

(Girls) Coach Mary Lee Hendricks (Won 12 – Lost 12)

Brooke Watson, Heather Jones, Ashley Bellamy, Katie Sullivan, Becky Steger, Lindsay England, Jennifer Dickie, Jennifer McElya, Angel Bachuss, Jessica Jones, Tiffany Adams, Becky Schaberg, Jennifer McSparin

1999

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant Burlin Brower (Won 2 – Lost 20), Principal Bill Bond Chris Brawner, Ben Story, Josh Paschall, Daniel Quarles, Matt Weaver, Cory Turner, Nathaniel Hantle, Mitchell Davis, Sanjay Patel, Urias Mends-Cole, Steven Irvan, Dwayne Stone, Corey Green, Jeff Brooks

(Girls) Coach Mary Lee Hendricks, Assistants Tommy Fletcher, John Sims (Won 10 – Lost 13)

Lindsay England, Ashlee Bellamy, Kristin Young, Gabrielle Pacshall, Katie Sullivan, Brooke Watson, Angel Bachuss, Melissa McElya, Jessica Jones, Heather Jones

1998

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant Burlin Brower (Won 6 – Lost 17), Principal Bill Bond Daniel Anderson, Jason Brock, Urias Mends-Cole, Warren Harris, Daniel Quarles, Sanjay Patel, Ben Story, Matt Weaver, Jonathan Lusk, Shane Youngblood, Joe Bradley, Rob Allen, Kevin Abanatha, Kevin Bellamy, Corey Green, Brian Taylor Kevin Bellamy named “All Purchase”

(Girls) Coach Mary Lee Hughes, Assistants Shane McManus, Leslie Wright (Won 8 – Lost 14) Katie Sullivan, Gabrielle Paschall, Heather Jones, Kristin Young, Ashley Bellamy, April Wright, Angie McCoy, Angel Bachuss, Shelly Schaberg, Misty Mends-Cole, Melissa McElya, Jessica Jones, Catherine Seaton

1997

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistants David Roof, Matthew Blackwell (Won 5 – Lost 20), Principal Bill Bond Bradley, Hesley, Austin, Abanatha, Whisman, Allen, Bellamy, Emerson, Taylor, Coleman, Harris, Mansfield, Thomas

(Girls) Coach Sherri Davis (Won 6 – Lost 18) Jones, Seaton, McCoy, Bellamy, Mends-Cole, Schaberg, Throgmorton, Paschall, McElya, Barnes, Young, Jones, Orazine, Wright, White
Jenny Throgmorton named “All Purchase”

1996

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long (Won 9 – Lost 18), Principal Bill Bond Kyle Wellington, Derek Warford, Jeremy Morrison, Josh Massey, Brent Charles, Kevin Schaberg, Tony Austin, Preston Hesley, Daunte Coleman, Warren Harris, Kevin Bellamy, Brandon Finke

(Girls) Coach Sherri Davis (Won 4 – Lost 17) Britana White, Jenny Throgmorton, Bethany Lape, Erin Brown, Misty Mends-Cole, Shelley Schaberg, Kala Talley, Melissa Otey, Cathi Blalock
Jenny Throgmorton named “All Purchase”

1995

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant Freddie Bobo (Won 7 – Lost 17), Principal Bill Bond Kyle Wellington, Derek Warford, Eric Crane, Kevin Schaberg, Nick Marana, Jeff O’Donley, Josh Massey, Preston Hesley, Buddy Mullen, Daunte Coleman, Brandon Cartner

(Girls) Coach Sherri Davis (Won 8 – Lost 9) Heather Brunn, Mandi Branham, Carolyn Phillips, Shelley Schaberg, Stephanie McElya, Terri Hobbs, Melissa Otey, Kala Talley, Jenny Throgmorton, Kara Fox, Johnna Massey, Shayla Jones, Cathi Blalock

1994

Boys Class A Regional Champions

Class A State Tournament Semi-Finals

Damien Klausmeier named “All Purchase”, named to “Class A State All-Tournament Team”

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant Freddie Bobo (Won 19 – Lost 13), Principal Bill Bond

Brandon Cartner, Ryan Duren, Buddy Mullen, Damian Klausmeier, Kevin Schaberg, Nick Marana, Michael Guthrie, Jeff O’Donley, Micah Blackwell, Burton Gregory, Andy Varble, Eric Crane, Kyle Wellington

(Girls) Coach Sheri Davis (Won 8 – Lost 14)

Mandi Branham, Heather Brunn, Sandra Summers, Dee Wooley, Carolyn Phillips, Alison Johnson, Erin Brown, Kara Fox, Johnna Massey, Stephanie McElya, Kala Talley, Jenny Throgmorton, Cathi Blalock, Melissa Otey, Terri Hobbs

1993

SECOND DISTRICT BOYS CHAMPION

Matt Harrison and Cory Tilford named “All Purchase”

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant Freddie Bobo (Won 28 – Lost 4), Principal Bill Bond

Damian Klausmeier, Jeremy Phillips, Jeff O’Donley, Michael Guthrie, Nick Marana, Matt Harrison, Cory Tilford, Micah Blackwell, Burton Gregory, Buddy Mullen, Andy Varble, Shaun Duncan, Kent Beyer, Ryan Duren

(Girls) Coach Sheri Davis (Won 9 – Lost 7)

Johnna Massey, Kara Fox, Kajeana Tilford, Mary Warford, Carla Flowers, Kim Blaine, Sandra Summers, Stephanie McElya, Carolyn Phillips, Leigh Anne Bobo, Alison Johnson, Mandi Branham, Heather Brunn

1992

SECOND DISTRICT BOYS CHAMPION

Chris Noles named “All Purchase”

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant Freddie Bobo (Won 22 – Lost 8), Principal Bill Bond

Higdon, Micah Blackwell, Damien Klausmeier, Kent Beyer, Jeremy Phillips, Matt Kaletch, Cory Tilford, Michael Guthrie, Matt Harrison, Chris Noles, Michael Bobo, Jeff Seaton, Nathan Harris, Matthew Blackwell, Shaun Duncan, Ryan Duren

(Girls) Coach Greg Webb (Won 15 – Lost 6)

Sandra Summers, Beth Sanderson, Deanne Wooley, Courtney Crippen, Leigh Bobo, Carla Flowers, Mary Warford, Joey Alexander, Mindy Oliver, Kim Blaine, Kajeana Tilford

1991 (New Rules) 2 foul shots after 10th foul in half, 3 foul shots on being fouled beyond 3 point line

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long (Won 20 – Lost 9), Principal Tom Lane

Brandon Allen, Matthew Blackwell, Trevor Jackson, Shaun Duncan, Michael McGregor, Jeremy Phillips, Jeff Seaton, Cory Tilford, Terrance Jackson, Matt Harrison, Michael Bobo, Chris Noles, Kent Beyer

(Girls) Coach Greg Webb (Won 9 – Lost 16)

Stephanie Hutchins, Carla Flowers, Deanne Wooley, Jennifer Chapman, Beth Sanderson, Candace Johnson, Allie Hobbs, Leigh Anne Bobo, Courtney Crippen, Joey Alexander, Tracy Turner, Mindy Oliver, Christie Fondaw, Mary Warford, Sandra Summers, Kim Blaine, Kajeana Tilford

1990

(Boys) Coach Jimmy Long, Assistant Freddie Bobo (Won 10 – Lost 16), Principal Tom Lane
Andy Harris, Kent Beyer, Mathew Blackwell, Ryan Massey, Brian Barger, Jeff Seaton, Michael Bobo, Bryce Fellows, Ron Townsley, Matt Harrison, Terrance Jackson, Chris Noles, Kevin Massey, Trevor Jackson

(Girls) Coach Greg Webb (Won 10 – Lost 8)

Michele Throgmorton, Susan Futrell, Jodi Griffes, Christie Fondaw, Kim Blaine, Carla Flowers, Kajeana Tilford, Anne Miller Allie Hobbs, Candace Johnson, Joey Alexander, Beth Sanders, Tracy Turner, Mindy Oliver

1989

(Boys) Coach Bill Bond, Assistants Jimmy Long, Freddie Bobo (Won 6 – Lost 18), Principal Tom Lane
Ryan Massey, John Phillips, Brent Jordan, Brent Sanderson, Trevor Jackson, Brian Barger, Chris Noles, Tim Tharp, Jackie Busby, Dave Wallace, Scott Kepner

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles – 13th and final season, Assistant Payne (Won 7 – Lost 12)

Elizabeth Molott, Allie Hobbs, Christie Fondaw, Tracy Turner, Candace Johnson, Beth Sanderson, Joey Alexander, Tricia Thomas, Jamie Hawkins, Tanette Wingo, Beth Beyer, Wendy Colvin, Michele Throgmorton, Jodi Griffes

1988 Three point shot introduced this season

(Boys) Coach Bill Bond , Assistant Jimmy Long (Won 10 – Lost 16), Principal Tom Lane

Russ Tilford, Brent Sanderson, Ryan Massey, Shawn Rice, Jamie Jones, Tim Tharp, Brian Barger, Duane Weathers, John Phillips, Brent Nelson, Scott Harrison, Daron Crabtree, Scott Kepner, Shane Shelby, Bryce Fellows, Jackie Busby, Brent Jordan

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (Won 13 – Lost 8)

Missy Bearden, Allison Bennett, Wendy Colvin, Michele Throgmorton, Tannette Wingo, Allison Gray, Susan Futrell, Beth Beyer, Jackie Estes, Veronica Futrell
Sandi Griffes named “All Purchase”

1987

(Boys) Coach Charlie Hopkins, Assistant Bill Bond (Won 7 – Lost 18), Principal Tom Lane

Shane Shelby, Jimmy Hobby, Van Vannerson, Daron Crabtree, Kevin Lanier, Shannon Benton, Jamie Jones, Brent Jordan, David Wallace, John Phillips, Shawn Rice

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (Won 16 – Lost 7)

Tannette Wingo, Susan Futrell, Deidra Glisson, Veronica Futrell, Jodi Griffes, Wendy Colvin, Allison Bennett, Jackie Estes, Allison Gray, Missy Bearden, Kristi Ball, Traci McKinney, Sandi Griffes
Sandi Griffes named “All Purchase”

1986

(Boys) Coach Charlie Hopkins (Won 7 – Lost 17), Principal Tom Lane

Shane Shelby, Jimmy Hobby, Shannon Benton, Van Vannerson, Scott Harrison, Davey Carroll, Lewis Dodd, Jim Boyd, Daron Crabtree, Shane Rice

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (Won 11 – Lost 10)

Cari Davenport, Allison Gray, Kristi Ball, Teresa Dowell, Deidra Glisson, Beth Bishop, Allison Bennett, Sandi Griffes, Julie Burnett, Traci McKinney, Missy Moss, Jackie Estes, Veronica Futrell

1985

(Boys) Coach Charlie Hopkins, Assistant Tom Largent (Won 4 – Lost 13), Principal Don Werner
Shannon Benton, Scott Harrison, Mark Shelby, Jason Gibson, Chris Jordan, Chad Schultz, Shane Shelby, Jimmy Hobby,
Daron Crabtree, Lewis Dodds, Jamie Cossler, Jim Boyd, Van Vannerson, Davey Carroll, Shane Rice

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (Won 8 – Lost 10)

Deidra Glisson, Beth Bishop, Kristy Ball, Teresa Dowell, Allison Gray, Sandi Griffes, Cari Davenport, Missy Moss,
Tammy Wray, Lisa Blue, Dindy Wilkinson, Traci McKinney, Donna Campbell, Dawn Evans

1984

(Boys) Coach Charlie Hopkins (Won 3 – Lost 20), Principal Don Werner

Jeff Foster, Matt Reams, Russ Dowdy, Michael Chumbler, Shane Rice, Jimmy Hobby, Henry Johnson, Chris Stafford,
Bryan Haywood, Jamie Cossler, Scott Schultz, Jim Boyd, Troy McCann, Davey Carroll, Tim Shook

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (Won 5 – Lost 13)

Dawn Evans, Cari Davenport, Sandi Griffes, Teresa Dowell, Deidra Glisson, Tammy Wray, Traci McKinney, Cindy
Wilkerson, Lisa Blue, Missy Moss, Donna Campbell, Mindy Carroll

1983

(Boys) Coach Steve Bowers, Assistant Gary McGregor (Won 3 – Lost 20), Principal Don Werner

Mike Colson, Marty Lanier, Larry Powell, Jeff Foster, Jerry Hamilton, Michael Chumbler, Tim Shook, Larry Irish, Brad
Berry, Scott Shultz, Jamie Cossler, Carl Baker, Andy Crabtree, Bryan Haywood, Matt Reams

(Girls) Coaches Rodney Bushong, Vernon Edwards (Won 7 – Lost 17)

Andrea Rucker, Betsy Hatler, Dawn Evans, Donna Campbell, Loretta Futrell, Mindy Carroll, Angie Dixon, Cindy
Wilkinson, Lisa Blue, Kim Kinsey, Tammy Ryan, Mary Ann Riley, Lisa Ellegood, Angie Tilford

1982

(Boys) Coach Steve Bowers, Assistant Gary McGregor (Won 2 – Lost 20), Principal Don Werner

Mike Colson, Andy Crabtree, Sammy Criswell, Jeff Fike, Jerry Hamilton, Marty Lanier, Larry Powell, Billy Rogers, Steve
Skinner

(Girls) Coaches Rodney Bushong and Vernon Edwards (Won 4 – Lost 18)

Deidra Bishop, Lisa Borden, Angie Dixon, Lisa Ellegood, Sherri Harris, Betsy Hatler, Mary Ann Riley, Tammy Ryan,
Angie Tilford, Cheryl Ray, Lisa Blue, Dawn Evans, Myrtlyn Johnson

1981

Alternating Possession Arrow (introduced at the college level) replacing the jump ball.

(Boys) Coach John Waggoner, Assistant Gary McGregor (Won 10 – Lost 11), Principal Don Werner

Mike Colson, Dan Johnson, Marty Lanier, Talmadge Surratt, Mike Lakin, Chris Shelley, Jay Simons, Sammy Criswell, Jeff
Fike, Tony Fletcher, Billy Rogers, Steve Skinner, Dwane Wright

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (Won 20 – Lost 4)

Jerri Cobb, Sharon Ellegood, Carrie Gibson, Vicki Ivitts, Nina Walton, Deidra Bishop, Lisa Borden, Lisa Ellegood, Sherri
Harris, Betsy Hatler, Mary Ann Riley, Cheryl Ray

Nina Walton named “All Purchase”

1980

(Boys) Coach John Waggoner (Won 16 – Lost 9), Principal Don Werner
Ronald Christian, Hal Skinner, Greg Wright, Chris Colson, Chris Slone, Mike Lakin, Chris Shelley, Lance Tyler, Jay Simons, Eric Tilley, Billy Rogers, Dwayne Wright, Steve Skinner
Hal Skinner named “All Purchase”

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (Won 27 – Lost 2)

Second District Girls Champion

First Region Girls Champion

State Tournament

First Region Girls Coach of the Year – Bobby Noles

Heath’s Nina Walton & Carrie Gibson named to “All Purchase” team

Varsity Team: Sherri Harris, Mary Ann Riley, Lisa Borden, Mary Gail Wallace, Jonda Stevens, Sharon Ellegood, Nina Walton, Carrie Gibson, Becky Radford, Vickie Ivitts, Amy Warford, Jerrie Cobb, Betsy Hatler, Lisa Ellegood

1979

(Boys) Coach John Waggoner, Assistants Steve Dreher, Gary McGregor (Won 9 – Lost 13), Principal Tommy Stephenson
Freddie Bobo, Freddie Morris, Dennis Dickey, Steve Lakin, Ronald Christian, Shawn Earle, Hal Skinner, Greg Bell, Chris Shelley, Mike Lakin, Dwayne Wright, Tony Fletcher, Steve Skinner, Billy Rogers

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (Won 21 – Lost 4)

Kathi Spresser, Jonda Stevens, Mary Gail Wallace, Amy Warford, Carrie Gibson, Nina Walton, Sharon Ellegood, Becky Radford, Jerri Cobb, Vicki Ivitts, Cathy Kelley, Lisa Borden

Kathy Spressor named “All Purchase”

1978

(Boys) Coach John Waggoner (Won 11 – Lost 10), Principal Tommy Stephenson

Bob Wrinkle, Jimmy Lewis, Kevin Klope, Donnie Ellis, Freddie Morris, Shawn Earle, Steve Lakin, Ron Christian, Dennis Dickey, Freddie Bobo, Greg Wright, Hal Skinner, Roger Vaughn

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (Won 11 – Lost 7) Amy Warford, Sheila Hamilton, Carrie Gibson, Patty McKinney, Sharon Ellegood, Cathy Kelly, Karen Cissell, Mary Gail Wallace, Rhonda Hamilton, Nina Walton, Debbie Mitchell, Jonda Stevens, Kathi Spresser

Rhonda Hamilton named “All Purchase”

1977

(Boys) Coach John Waggoner (Won 7 – Lost 15), Principal Tommy Stephenson

Pat Thomasson, Bob Wrinkle, Jack Baker, Ricky Feezor, Danny Grief, Billy Liner, Jimmy Nirmaier, Kenny Owsley, Greg Smith, Donnie Ellis, Bob Jones, Kevin Klope, Jimmy Lewis, Randy Pearson

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (Won 15 – Lost 6)

Becky Radford, Jana Brooks, Jonda Stevens, Mary Gail Wallace, Denise Feezor, Melissa Alexander, Debbie Mitchell, Patty McKinney, Janie Morehead, Kathy Spresser, Karen Cissell, Rhonda Hamilton, Amy Warford

Rhonda Hamilton named “All Purchase”

1976 Dunk shot allowed once again in college

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright – 12th and final season (Won 7 – Lost 15), Principal Joe Estes
Terry Fletcher, Stan Harris, Greg Jett, Noel Weig, Mickey Davis, Rickey Feezor, Kevin Klope, Jimmy Lewis, Bob Wrinkle,
Ardell Nance, Daryl Tilford, Gregg Travis, Danny Grief, Jimmy Nirmaier, Kenny Owsley

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (Won 9 – Lost 8)

Kim Cruse, Diane Rushing, Melissa Alexander, Malissia Allen, Denise Feezor, Joann Griffin, Karen Cissell, Rhonda
Hamilton, Jen Smith, Vickie Stubblefield, Janie Morehead, Penny Wells, Jonda Stevens, Amy Warford

1975

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright (Won 13 – Lost 12), Principal Joe Estes

Daryl Tilford, Gregg Travis, Noel Weig, Darrell Elrod, Donnie Morehead, Steve Wright, Terry Fletcher, Tommy Fletcher,
Stan Harris, Gregg Jett, Ardell Nance, Bryan Quinnelly

(Girls) Coach Bobby Noles (1st Heath Girls Team since 1931) (Won 2 – Lost 12)

Karen Cissell, Joann Griffin, Pam Wallace, Teresa Flowers, Denise Feezor, Paula Hall, Rhonda Hamilton, Melissa
Alexander, Laura Walker, Diane Rushing, Malissia Allen, Vicki Stubblefield, Melody Wyatt, Darlynn Yancey, Jen Smith

1974

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright (Won 4 – Lost 21), Principal Joe Estes

Carl Watson, Champ Webb, Darryl Elrod, Gregg Jett, Steve Frazier, Cleatus Hargrove, Mike Hines, Terry Klope, Donnie
Morehead, Steve Wright, Ardell Nance, Daryl Tilford, Greg Travis

1973

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright, Assistants Robert Vannerson, Bobby Noles (Won 5 – Lost 21), Principal Joe Estes

Daryl Bowen, Wayne Tisdal, Lynn Mansfield, Roger Bradford, Champ Webb, Steve Frazier, Ronnie Scott, Cleatus
Hargrove, Mike Hines, Steve Wright, Darryl Elrod, Terry Klope, Ardell Nance

1972 Freshmen allowed to play major college basketball

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright, Assistant Robert Vannerson (Won 17 – Lost 9), Principal Joe Estes

Daryl Simmons, Champ Webb, Wayne Tisdal, Andy Wallace, Doug Vance, Larry O'Donley, Mike Lee, David Alexander,
Daryl Bowen, Ricky O'Donley, Lynn Mansfield, Randy Wright
David Alexander named "All Purchase"

1971

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright (Won 16 – Lost 11), Principal Larry Powell

Ricky O'Donley, Wayne Tisdal, Jerry Throgmorton, Wayne Peeler, David Alexander, Mike Lee, Daryl Simmons, Ronnie
Jett, Andy Wallace, Larry O'Donley, Bobbie Cornelison, Daryl Bowen

1970

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright (Won 13 – Lost 12), Principal Larry Powell

Keith Tilford, Gary Elrod, Bobby Compton, Jerry Throgmorton, Daryl Simmons, James Morris, Steve Birdsong, David
Alexander, Mike Lee, Larry Peal, James Peeler, Brent Gregston, Mark Turner

1969

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright, Assistant Bobby Noles (Won 14 – Lost 11), Principal Larry Powell
Brent Gregston, Don Cooper, David Hovekamp, Mike Flood, Gary Bobo, Ronnie Jett, Mark Turner, Gary Elrod, Jerry Throgmorton, Bobby Compton, Larry Peal, David Alexander
David Hovekamp named “All Purchase”

1968 Dunk shot outlawed in college basketball

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright, Assistant Bobby Noles (Won 17 – Lost 13), Principal Larry Powell
Don Cooper, Brent Gregston, Don Warford, Mark Turner, David Harris, David Hovekamp, David Bradford, Kyle Duren,
Mike Flood, Keith Tilford, Gary Bobo

1967

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright, Assistant Bobby Noles (Won 23 – Lost 8), Principal Larry Powell
Gary Simmons, Keith Gregston, Mike Flood, Don Cooper, David Hovekamp, Don Warford, Gene Holland, David Harris,
Tommy Bobo, David Bradford, Larry Throgmorton, Wayne Wray
Larry Throgmorton named “All Purchase”

1966

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright, Assistant Larry Harper (Won 18 – Lost 13), Principal Don Stephenson
Mike Radcliffe, Ed Moss, Tommy Bobo, Don Warford, David Bradford, Gene Holland, David Harris, Joe Carroll, Willie
Blackwell, Keith Gregston, David Kelly, Wayne Wray, Larry Throgmorton

1965

(Boys) Coach Frank Wright (1st year), Assistant Larry Harper (Won 23 – Lost 6), Principal Don Stephenson
Eddie Kaletch, Robert Hargrove, Jimmy Long, Eddie Harris, Gary Jackson, Willie Blackwell, Tommy Story, Dennis
McCracken, Joe Carroll, Mike Radcliffe, David Kelly, Larry Reeves
Jimmy Long and Robert Hargrove named “All Purchase”

1964 Players required to raise their arm when called for a foul

(Boys) Coach Larry Powell, Assistant Larry Harper (Won 14 – Lost 9), Principal Don Stephenson
Don Crews, Dick Thompson, Jimmy Long, Eddie Harris, Gary Jackson, Eddie Kaletch, Willie Blackwell, Billy Lynn,
David Kelly

1963

(Boys) Coach Larry Powell, Assistant Larry Harper (Won 16 – Lost 6), Principal Don Stephenson
Tullus Chambers, Wally Morehead, Don Phillips, Don Crews, David Holland, Billy Lynn, Robert Vannerson, Larry
Davis, Eddie Kaletch, Reuben Tilford, Jimmy Long, Gary Jackson

1962

(Boys) Coach Bill Carter’s 10th and last year, Assistant Larry Powell (Won 21 – Lost 6), Principal Don Stephenson
Kenneth Page, James Milner, Dale Warford, David Holland, Don Crews, Wally Morehead, Robert Vannerson, Bill Harris,
Joe Pugh, Wayne Rice, Reuben Tilford

1961

(Boys) Coach Bill Carter, Assistant Larry Powell (Won 14 – Lost 18), Principal Al Roberts
Kenneth Page, David Holland, James Milner, Gene Wray, Larry Davis, Dale Warford, Tullus Chambers, Donald Horner,
Robert Vannerson, Julian Harris, Reuben Tilford
Gene Wray named “All Purchase”

1960

(Boys) Coach Bill Carter, Assistant Larry Powell (Won 13 – Lost 14), Principal Al Roberts
Gene Wray, David King, Dale Warford, Phillip Cain, Charles Crass, Joe Pugh, David Holland, Donald Horner, Larry
Davis, Robert Vannerson, Rueben Tilford, David Pugh

1959

(Boys) Coach Bill Carter, Larry Powell was the 1st paid assistant coach at Heath High School. He was paid a stipend of
\$125.00 to coach 7,8,9,10 grades and do the scouting. (Won 5 – Lost 23), Principal Al Roberts
Charles Crass, David King, George Duren, Gene Wray, Dale Warford, Terry Hutcherson, Phillip Cain, Frank Ingram,
Gary Fletcher, David Wallace, Ottie Harris

1958 Bonus free throw introduced after teams 7th foul in a half

(Boys) Coach Bill Carter (Won 18 – Lost 10), Principal Al Roberts
David Wallace, Kenneth Simmons, George Duren, Charles Crass, Duke Vannerson, Larry Dowdy, Kenneth Jett, Louis
Beyer, Kenneth Scott, Gary Fletcher, David King, Terry Hutcherson

1957

Free Throw Lane widened from 6 ft. to 12 ft.

(Boys) Coach Bill Carter (Won 11 – Lost 15), Principal Al Roberts
Gary Fletcher, Kenneth Scott, Arvel Thomasson, Kenneth Simmons, Louis Beyer, Larry Dowdy, Kenneth Jett, Del
Benton, Duke Vannerson, Gary Boldry, Tommy Walden, Charles Hopper

1956

Season record of 30 wins and 1 loss

Second District Champion

Only undefeated regular season team in State of Kentucky for 1956

Lost to Benton in Regional Tournament by 1 point

Martin Holland scored 1,020 points his senior year for an average of 32.9 points per game

Martin Holland scored 2214 points in 3 years (All Time Leading Scorer for Heath High School Pirates)

Martin Holland scored 59 points in a game his sophomore year (All Time High Points Score for a Game)

Martin Holland named “All Purchase First Team”

Jackie Peyton named “All Purchase Second Team”

Bill Carter named “All Purchase Coach of the Year”

(Boys) Coach Bill Carter (Won 30 – Lost 1), Principal Al Roberts

R.O. Edwards, Bill Gordon, Jackie Peyton, Gary Baldry, Martin Holland, Ed Trowbridge, Kenneth Jett, Eddie Williams,
Hoppy Birdsong, Del Benton, Orvel Thomasson, Bill Jordan, Bob Carroll, Tommy Walden

1955

(Boys) Coach Bill Carter (Won 13 – Lost 15), Principal Al Roberts

Dedication of “New Gym” 1st Season

Hoppy Birdsong, Eddie Williams, Dale Brelsford, Jackie Peyton, Gary Baldry, Martin Holland, William Humphrey (scored first basket in new gym), J.T. Carneal, Ralph Pugh, Billy Jordan

Martin Holland named “All Purchase”

1954

(Boys) Coach Bill Carter (Won 19 – Lost 10), Principal Al Roberts

Phillip Jett, Scottie Harris, Martin Holland, Billy Jordan, Bill Jackson, Charlie Nipp, Mahlon Sparks, Dale Brelsford, Larry Duncan, Jackie Peyton

1953

(Boys) Coach Bill Carter (Won 18 – Lost 10), Principal Al Roberts

Bennett Atkinson, Phillip Jett, Bob Flowers, Gordon Meeks, Scotty Harris, Bill Jackson, Larry Powell, Bob Ligon, Eddie Jordan, Bill Frazier

1952

(Boys) Coach Todd Yates (Won 8 – Lost 12), Principal Carmon Graham

Bob Flowers, Bob Crotzer, Gordon Meeks, Scottie Harris, Bill Frazier, Edward Jordan, Bennett Atkinson, Bob Ligon, Larry Powell, Leamon Futrell, Phillip Jett

1951

(Boys) Coach Todd Yates (Won 17 – Lost 9), Principal Carmon Graham

Bobby Weaver, Joe Blewett, Wayne Wallace, Jack Vance, Glen Fletcher, Louis Hite, Horace Garland, Kenneth Myatt, Bobby Crotzer, Marvin McReynolds, Donald Jett, Bill Beasley, Larry Powell

Lewis Hite named “All Purchase”

1950

(Boys) Coach Z.C. “Junior” Herrold (Won 12 – Lost 7), Principal Carmon Graham

Jack Vance, Donald Jett, Thomas Montgomery, Marvin McReynolds, Stum Chambers, Louis Hite, Glen Fletcher, Wayne Wallace, Joe Blewett, Jesse Edwards, Henry Spears, Bobby Weaver, Bobby Crotzer, Billy Beasley, Horace Garland

1949: Coaches finally allowed to talk to players during a timeout

(Boys) Coach Willard Bagwell (Won 7 – Lost 22), Principal Willard Bagwell

Eddy Grandon, Louis Hite, Stum Chambers, Jack Vance, Kenneth Gibson, Vernis Page, Thomas Montgomery, Waldon O’Daniel, Thomas Anderson, Henry Spears, Kenneth Myatt, Bobby Patterson

1948

(Boys) Coach Willard Bagwell (Won 22 – Lost 10), Principal Willard Bagwell

Bobby Conner, Louis Myers, Jimmy Phillips, Bill Carter, Waldon O’Daniel, Billy Blewett, Kenneth Gibson, Eddie Grandon, Teddy Myers, Louis Hite, Charles Fletcher, Stum Chambers

Billy Blewett and Bill Carter named “All Purchase”

1947: 1st year for both the District Champion and Runner-up going to the Regional Tournament

(Boys) Coach Willard “Mutt” Carroll (Won 11 – Lost 16), Willard Bagwell
Wade Tilford, Billy Blewett, E. Record, Bill Carter, Teddy Myers, Bill Boyd, Ford, Warford, Ed Tilford, Simpkins,
Bradford

Ed Tilford left Heath High School to join the Navy during World War II. His ship the USS Wadleigh DD-689 was in
Tokyo Bay and was present when the Japanese came onboard the USS Missouri and surrendered in September of 1945
therefore ending World War II. Ed returned to Heath to finish out his high school days and traded in his US Navy
uniform for a Heath Pirate uniform once again.

1946

(Boys) Coach Willard Bagwell (Won 6 – Lost 19), Principal Willard Bagwell
David Record, Glen Young, Bill Hobbs, Bill Boyd, Bill Carter, Jack Hankins, Jimmy Link, Wade Tilford, Bill Blewett,
Robert Garland, Hilton Edwards, Bobby Connors

1945

(Boys) Coach Henry Chambers (Won 14 – Lost 9), Principal Henry Chambers
Paul Long, Glen Young, Junior Herrold, Bennie Cooper, Tommie Hill, Bill Hobbs, David Record, Bill Boyd, Billy Scott,
Wade Tilford, Robert Garland, Bobby Meeks, Jack Hankins, Billy Griffin, Hilton Edwards
Junior Herrold named “All Purchase”

1944

(Boys) Coach Jack Carroll (Won 7 – Lost 19), Principal Henry Chambers
Dowdy, Russell, Junior Herrold, Tilford, Cooper, Hines, Long, Boyd, Hill, Simpkins, Young, Hines

1943

(Boys) Coach Edd Peck (Won 18 – Lost 9), Principal Henry Chambers
Buddy Downs, James Holley, Paul Carneal, James Fletcher, James Bobo, Junior Herrold, L. Thompson, O’Neil, Oliver, B.
Thompson, Tilford

1942

(Boys) Coach Peck (Won 5 – Lost 21), Principal Henry Chambers
Anderson, Pitt, Bobo, Carneal, Downs

1941

(Boys) Coach Peck (Won 18 – Lost 13), Principal Henry Chambers

1940

(Boys) Coach Willard “Mutt” Carroll (Won 3 – Lost 20), Principal Henry Chambers
Lawrence Dowdy, John Long, Gillard Ross, Sherey Vance, Bill Lindsey, John Harris, Carlin Holland, J.T. Poyner, Orville
Green, J.R. Moody

1939

(Boys) Coach Willard “Mutt” Carroll (Won 23 – Lost 2), Principal E.A. Howton
Jim Ed Manning, Ralph Cathey, Travis Canup, Joseph Harting, Lansdel Carneal, Al Roth, William Lamb, Louis Hill,
Morris Hill, Wayne Rogers

1938

DISTRICT CHAMPION

Only team in Kentucky to defeat Sharpe in a regular season game. Sharpe became Kentucky State Champion in 1938.
(Boys) Coach Willard “Mutt” Carroll (Won 15 – Lost 5), Principal D.D. Crisp
Al Roth, Lansdel Carneal, Ralph Cathey, Jim Ed Manning, Travis Canup, William Lamb, Louis Hill, Joseph Harting,
Moss Carroll Hill, Pot Long, Shirley Vance, Louis Johnson, Wayne Rogers, Mac Parker, John Long

1937

DISTRICT CHAMPION

Charlie Hill named “All Region”, Charlie was offered scholarships at both Western and Murray but declined
Last year they jumped center after each basket scored.
(Boys) Coach James Brookshire (Won 10 – Lost 13) School colors were Orange & Black, Principal D.D. Crisp
Ralph Cathey, Page Crawford, Joseph Harting, Travis Canup, Charlie Hill, Charles Morris, Ed Overstreet, Moore, Long,
Al Roth, Robert Hines, Howard Ross, Carneal, King

1936

(Boys) Coach Basil Smith (Won 10 – Lost 13), Principal D.D. Crisp
Robert Hines, Joseph Harting, Howard Holley, William Hall, Page Crawford, Howard Ross, Ed Overstreet, Charles
Morris, Morris Hill, Jesse Carneal, Raymond Massie, Robert Neel, Casper Slusmeyer, Charlie Hill

1935

DISTRICT CHAMPION

(Boys) Coach Leon Smith (Won 19 – Lost 6), Principal D.D. Crisp
Jesse Carneal (Jib), Willard Carneal (Connie), Phil McGruder (Dilly), Victor Smith (Vic), Andrew Jenkins (Bully), Ezra
Davis (Hoskins), Ernie Long (Ernie), Ed Overstreet (Ed), Page Crawford, Wilson Gunn, Raymond Massie, Robert Neel,
Boyce McElya, Charles Morris, John Lunn, Wallace Tanner, Lee Penn (Rabbit)

1934

DISTRICT CHAMPION

(Boys) Coach Leon Smith (Won 15 – Lost 8), Principal D.D. Crisp
James Moody, Dennis Canup, Charles William Vance, Ernie Long, Alvin Long, Lee Penn, Ezra Davis, Weldon Hopper

1933

DISTRICT CHAMPION, REGIONAL CHAMPION, STATE TOURNAMENT

Willard Carroll and Louis Graham named “All Region”, both went on to be star athlete’s at Murray State
(Boys) Coach Leon Smith (Won 25 – Lost 6), Principal Frank Irwin
Louis “LuLu” Graham, Willard “Mutt” Carroll, Moody, Harting, Vance, Holland, Canup, Davis, Franklin, Baldry

1932: 1st year to have 16 Regions, 3-second violation in the foul lane rule started

(Boys) Coach Clarence Evans (Won 11 – Lost 8), Principal Frank Irwin
Calvin Fortson, Louis Graham, Charles Orr, Hugh Holland, Clay King, Moody, Ralph Mathis, Harding, Bell, Jack
Carroll, Willard Carroll

1931

Last year for the Regional Champions and Runner-up to go to the State Tournament (8 Regions)

BOYS DISTRICT CHAMPION, REGIONAL RUNNER-UP, STATE TOURNAMENT

Calvin Fortson named “All Region”

(Boys) Coach Clarence Evans (Won 26 – Lost 5), Principal Frank Irwin

Charles Orr, Morris Craig, Willard Carroll, Calvin Fortson, Jack Carroll, Ralph Mathis, Louis Graham, Clay King, Hugh
Holland

(Girls) Coach unknown (Won – Lost) Last year of girls basketball until 1975

Williams, Childress, R. Hite, Massie, Matlock, Evans, Hite, Harper, Jenkins, Anderson, Metcalf, Milliken

1930

BOYS /GIRLS DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

(Boys) Coach Huston Dinning (Won 24 – Lost 1), Principal Frank Irwin

Charles Orr, Hugh Holland, Paul Cunningham, Edward Lentes, Barkley Graham, Jack Carroll, Wilson Humphrey, Calvin
Fortson, Bertram Davis, Morris Craig, Willard Carroll

(Girls) Coach Huston Dinning (Won – Lost)

Mary Ella Milliken Bagwell, Louise Anderson Davis, Marion Williams Houston, Meredith Massey Murphy, Irene Metcalf
McKinney, Weda Holt King, Gertrude Childress Allen, Dorothy Matlock Stonebury, Rubye Hite Crain, Mildred Williams
Carroll

1929

KENTUCKY BOYS STATE CHAMPION

1ST REGION CHAMPIONS

2ND DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

1st Year to play and be known as the “Heath Pirates”

(Boys) Coach A.B. Moore (Won 23 – Lost 7)

Morris Craig, Bertram Davis, Willard Bagwell, J.D. McElya, Eldra Miller, Calvin Fortson, Jessie Nelson, Paul Cunningham

(Girls) Coach unknown, Principal C.O. Warren (Won – Lost)

Williams, Milliken, Kelly, Anderson, Hite, Matlock

1928

**DISTRICT CHAMPION, REGIONAL CHAMPION, STATE TOURNAMENT, RUNNER-UP AT NATIONAL
TOURNAMENT IN CHICAGO**

(Boys) Coach A.B. Moore (Won 21 – Lost 5)

Edgar Ross, Eldra Miller, Willard Bagwell, William Smith, Key Bagwell, Mills Boldry, James Hall, Morris Craig

(Girls) Coach unknown, Principal C.O. Warren (Won – Lost)

Milliken, Matlock, Cathey, Rogers, Anderson, Ragland, Williams, Crawford

1927

Played in the State Tournament as “McCracken County”.

(Boys) Coach Ivan Baucom, Principal F.L. Hooks (Won 13 – Lost 5)

Bagwell, B. Smith, E. Smith, Nunly, Edgar Ross, Eldra Miller, Durrett, Bass

(Girls) Coach unknown, Principal F.L. Hooks (Won – Loss)

Milliken, Rogers, Melton, Johnson, Fauntelroy, Williams

1926

(Boys) Coach Ivan Baucom, Principal Ivan Baucom (Won 17 – Lost 6)

E. Smith, Bagwell, Nunley, Durrett, Ross, Miller, Mollie King, Bass, B. Smith

(Girls) Coach unknown, Principal Ivan Baucom (Won – Lost)

Johnston, Carneal, S. Johnston, Melton, Hutchinson, King, Williams, Cathey, Rogers, Ragland

1925

(Boys) Coach Ivan Baucom, Principal Ivan Baucom (Won 15 – Lost 7)

King, Carroll, Nunnely, Bass, Rossington, Durrett

(Girls) Coach unknown, Principal Ivan Baucom (Won – Lost)

Melton, Carneal, Johnson, Harris, House, Holt, Cathy, Johnson, Rives

1924

(Boys) Coach Principal Ivan Baucom (Won 16 – Lost 5)

Koch, Carroll, Scott, Magruder, Rossington, Brelsford, Beyer

(Girls) Coach unknown, Principal Ivan Baucom (Won – Lost)

Mayme Rives, Dorothy Harris, Etna Koch, Katie Williams, Nellie House, Sherrill

1923

DISTRICT CHAMPION, REGIONAL CHAMPION, STATE TOURNAMENT QUARTERFINALS

First team from the First Region to win a first round game at the State Tournament.

(Boys) Coach Principal Ivan Baucom (Won 15 – Lost 3)

Kelly, Gibson, Owens, Magruder, Page, Bedford

(Girls) Coach unknown, Principal Ivan Baucom (Won – Lost)

Mayme Rives, Graham, Etna Koch, King, Katie Williams, Melton

1922

Heath teams played as McCracken County High School (MCHS)

Tournament was known as First Congressional District – West Kentucky Basketball Tournament

(Boys) Coach unknown, Principal Joe Ragsdale (Won – Lost)

Stewart, Crawford, Harmon, Koch, Gibson

(Girls) Coach unknown, Principal Joe Ragsdale (Won – Lost)

Rickman, Ragsdale, Kock, Williams, Harmon, Lawson, Miller

1921

(Boys) Coach unknown, Principal Joe Ragsdale (Won – Lost)

Gibson, Childs, Harmon, Garford, Rickman

(Girls) Coach Unknown, Principal Joe Ragsdale (Won – Lost)

Wilton, Ragsdale, Rickman, King, Miller, Perkins

1920

THE BEGINNING – THE FIRST HEATH BASKETBALL TEAM

McCRACKEN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL (located at Heath)

There was no school sanctioned regular season team – just a bunch of Heath boys that put together a team and entered the Western Kentucky Tournament at Russellville which consisted of numerous teams from the western part of the State. The team had no coach and found out when they got there that they must have a coach to play in the tournament. They secured Fred Mobley to be their coach. They went on to win the tournament by defeating Lowes, Sheppardsville, and Owensboro. The team was unable to continue on to play the Eastern Kentucky Tournament champion due to lack of funds.

Boys Team Players: Captain Roy Simmons, Henry Swift, Harry Koch, Jerome Harris, Tom Helton, Edward McNeil

1929 HEATH PIRATES KENTUCKY STATE CHAMPIONS

Season Record – 23 Wins & 7 losses

1929 Second District Champions:

Heath 21 – Tilghman 19

Heath 29 – Lone Oak 17

Heath 27 – Lowes 26

1929 First Region Champions:

Heath 40 – Eddyville 16

Heath 24 – Murray 18

Heath 23 – Almo 22

1929 Kentucky State Tournament Champions:

Heath 27 – Lexington 25

Heath 22 – Central City 15

Heath 26 – St Xavier 23

Heath 21 – Corinth 16 (Championship Game)

1956 HEATH PIRATES

Season Record – 30 Wins and 1 Loss

1956 Second District Champions:

Heath 64 – Lone Oak 54 (OT)

Heath 98 – St Mary 63

Heath 72 – Tilghman 71 (Championship Game)

1956 First Regional Tournament:

Heath 97 – Fulgham 67

Benton 60 – Heath 59 (OT)

The 1956 Heath Pirates were the only team in the State of Kentucky to go undefeated in the regular season that year.

The 1956 Heath Pirates were the first and only McCracken County team to go undefeated throughout the regular season and District Tournament. Martin Holland scored 2,214 points in his 3 years of varsity play at Heath. Martin Holland scored 1,020 points his senior year averaging 32.9 points per game.

Martin Holland scored 59 points in a game against Mounds, Illinois on February 13, 1954 as a sophomore. He scored 49 points in a game against St Mary his senior year.

1956 “All Purchase First Team” – Martin Holland

1956 “All Purchase Second Team” – Jackie Peyton

1956 “All Purchase Coach of the Year” – Bill Carter

History of
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