

TERRY SANFORD HIGH SCHOOL

Bulldogs

Location: Fayetteville
Colors: navy blue and white
Conference: Cape Fear Valley
Principal: David Haggerty
Athletic Director: Ron Bean
Head Coach: Bill Boyette
Record: 26-3

Terry Sanford seeks its first men's NCHSAA state basketball title as Terry Sanford HS...most recent visit was in 2010 when Terry Sanford lost to Lake Norman 63-46 in 4-A championship...Bulldogs were also runner-up in 2009 and won 1965 and '66 state titles as Fayetteville High School, coached by Len Maness with stars Rusty Clark and Vann Williford...Bulldogs have won back to back Cape Fear Valley regular season crowns and also won this year's Cumberland County Holiday Classic...beat last year's state runner-up Wilson Hunt 65-52 in Eastern Regional final, led by regional MVP **Mark Gilbert** (24 pts, 9 of 14 FG in final)...he is averaging 17.6 ppg and shooting 42.6 percent from beyond the arc...**Isaiah Stallings** scores at 10.7 ppg clip and shoots 53.6 percent from field...**Telligence Johnson** contributes 10.1 ppg and paces club in rebounding with 6.4 per contest...Bulldogs average 70.4 ppg as team and yield just 46.8 points per outing...five regional appearances in last eight years...Terry Sanford was ranked first in the state among 3-A men's teams in final regular season poll by NCPreps.com and entered the playoffs as the top seed in the 3-A East bracket.

ASHBROOK HIGH SCHOOL

Green Wave

Location: Gastonia
Colors: Kelly green and white
Conference: Big South
Principal: Joey Clinton
Athletic Director: Chad Duncan
Head Coach: Chad Duncan
Record: 23-3

Ashbrook is back in the NCHSAA men's basketball championship for the second time, first since 1977, which was the famous Hunter Huss-Ashbrook all-Gastonia battle for state title, which was won by Huss 60-59 at Greensboro Coliseum...Green Wave advanced to state championship with tough 47-46 victory over second-seeded Crest in Western Regional final...6-9 junior forward **Isaiah Whaley** was named the Western Regional MVP...Whaley scoring at 18.9 ppg clip and hauling down 8.9 rebounds while shooting 57 percent from floor and blocking almost five shots a game...6-6 senior **Austin Mitchell** contributes 11.2 ppg, gets 6.0 rpg, and shoots sizzling 63% from field...6-3 junior **Malik Gingles** (9.8 ppg, 4.9 rpg, 3.0 assists) and **Jeff Glenn** (8.8 ppg, 3.9 assists) also solid contributors...5-9 junior guard **Z'Andre Givens** also hands out 3.9 assists while scoring at 7.6 ppg clip...only three seniors on roster so Ashbrook could be tough in future, too...Green Wave rated as the number six team in state in final 3-A men's regular season poll by NCPreps.com and was fifth-seeded in the 3-A West bracket...enter finals on nine-game winning streak...scoring 65.1 ppg.