CHAPEL HILL HIGH SCHOOL Tigers

Location: Chapel Hill Colors: black and gold Conference: Big Eight Principal: Sulura Jackson Athletic Director: Tim Bennett Head Coach: Sherry Norris

Record: 24-2

Chapel Hill moves into the NCHSAA women's title game for the third year in a row and seeks second straight state title...lost to Harding University 55-52 in 2013 3-A final and beat Hickory 69-56 in '14 3-A title game...other finals appearance was in 1981, as Tigers beat Cary 67-46 4-A final at Elon... veteran head coach **Sherry Norris** guided these teams to the title and was on "100 To Remember" list of coaches for NCHSAA centennial celebration...Chapel Hill has balanced offensive attack and team plays tremendous defense...Tigers rolled past Rockingham County 61-41 in regional final in Fayetteville, led by regional MVP Raziyah Farrington (20 points, 6 rebonds, 4 steals) as Tigers got 27 points on turnovers from defensive pressure...she was MVP of last year's state final ... Razivah (16.2 ppg. 4.3 rpg) will attend Western Carolina University on a basketball scholarship...Jessica **Wall** (8.5 ppg) made all-regional tourney will play next year at UNC Asheville...senior Tamia Eatmon (9.0 ppg, 4.8 assists. 4.8 steals) and junior Autumn West (9.6 ppg, 6,1 rpg) also key players... Chapel Hill was numberfive team in final NCPreps.com 3-A women's poll and fourth seed in 3-A East bracket...record 27-3 in 2012, 30-2 in '13, 32-0 last year.

HICKORY HIGH SCHOOL

Red Tornadoes

Location: Hickory

Colors: garnet and gold

Conference: Northwestern 3A/4A Principal: Dr. Ann Stalnaker Athletic Director: David Craft Head Coach: Barbara Helms

Record: 29-0

Hickory returns for its third visit to the NCHSAA women's championship game in the last five years and seventh all time...Red Tornadoes are 3-3 in previous title trips, with state championships in 1995, '98 and '99...Hickory fell to South Central 61-58 in overtime in 2011 championship and lost last year to Chapel Hill, so this is a rematch...Red Tornadoes steamrolled Weddington 56-13 to win Western Regional title and advance...5-7 senior guard Yazman Hannah (20.2 ppg, 4.5 rpg) earned Western MVP honors for the second consecutive year...Hannah has signed to play at Norfolk State. Sadasia Tipps (7.0 ppg) will play at East Tennessee State, and Danasia Witherspoon (14.8 ppg, 4.8 rpg) has signed with Wingate... Ansley Rooks also contributes with 7.6 ppg...Tornadoes are averaging 71 ppg, while suffocating defense limites opponents to an average of just 26 ppg, holding 10 foes under 20 points...Hickory was tied for third in the state in the final regular season 3-A women's poll for NCPreps.com but was the top-seeded team in the 3-A Western bracket...record of 26-3 in 2013, 29-1 in '14 with only loss in state final...Barbara Helms with coaching record of 323-29 at Hickory in her 12th season.