



# Max's All Stars Youth Basketball Program Information Packet



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### **About Us**

The history of Max's All Stars can be traced all the way back to Fall 2006 at Hofstra University, but the current incarnation of the team began playing together in 2011. Max Margulis and Patrick James assembled a roster of former college basketball players to compete on a high-level amongst some of the best teams in NYC. It seemed like a wild idea back then, but now (over a decade later) Max's All Stars has become a name brand with a winning tradition. Thanks to our mainstay core players such as Branden Gibson, Corey Orgias, Doug Herring, Jason Lewis, John Simmons, Kaheem Davis, Marvin Billups Jr, Nikola Djurdjevic, Patrick James, Rob Thomas, Shereef Taylor, Spencer Smith, and Troy Whittington (just to name a few) – Max's All Stars has a 188-76 (.712) overall record with thirteen championships to their credit (so far). The team has competed in some very prestigious leagues/tournaments such as 92nd Street Y, Basketball City, Showcase NYC, Gun Hill Classic, Gardiner Memorial Tournament, Riverside Classic, Kenny Graham's West Fourth Street, Watson Basketball Classic, Johnny Rodriguez's Hoops Showdown, Tri-State Classic, Full Court Charity Challenge, ABC Hoops, NYC Basketball League, East Harlem Hoops, The Basketball Tournament (TBT), and others. What makes Max's All Stars unique is that while many of our players have extensive collegiate and professional basketball experience, they now have successful careers in other fields while continuing to compete on a very high level. Now Max's All Stars aims to parlay the success of our men's unlimited pro/am team to create a youth basketball program that inspires and develops kids on and off the court. Our coaching staff – led by Patrick James, Jason Lewis, and Corey Orgias – is committed to enriching the lives of young people through basketball.



### **Our Coaching Staff**

Patrick James was a two-sport star at Berkeley Carroll High School and Hofstra University where he played baseball and basketball. After high school, he went on to be a founding member of Hofstra Club Basketball – playing in 33 games from 2008 through 2009 and winning the Fall 2009 Island Garden AAU Adult Recreational League Championship. His #3 jersey was retired in November 2014. Patrick also batted .342 with 1 home run, 2 doubles, 13 RBI and 9 runs scored for the Hofstra University Baseball Club in 13 games while pitching in six games (starting four of them) and finishing with a 3-2 record, 3.50 ERA and 17 K's. Since then, James has gone on to become one of the toughest defensive basketball players in all of NYC while helping recruit some of the best talent in the city and turn Max's All Stars into a perennial powerhouse. He now has a successful career in real estate. In July 2018, Patrick was inducted into the inaugural class of the Max's All Stars Hall of Fame.





Jason Lewis was a standout basketball player at Berkeley Carroll High School (class of 2008). He has continued his basketball playing career as a member of our men's team – playing in 28 games over the years and helping us win three championships. He's one of our floor generals - a skilled point guard with tremendous handle, high basketball IQ, and a smooth jumpshot. Jason is also like a coach on the floor for us. He graduated with a news/editorial journalism degree from the University of Maryland, College Park (class of 2012) and now works as a teacher at Liberty Avenue Middle School where he also coaches basketball. During his basketball coaching tenure at Liberty Avenue, the junior varsity team has won back-to-back Brooklyn Middle School Championships (2017, 2018) and varsity won for the first time in school history (2018). Jason is a talented writer, a gifted educator, and a determined coach. During our initial Max's All Stars Youth Basketball Workouts in 2015 and 2016, Jason was one of our most popular coaches due to his infectious enthusiasm, tireless work ethic, strong communication, and leadership skills.

**Corey Orgias** has been a champion throughout his basketball career. He won the 2006-2007 National Prep School Championship with Notre Dame Prep in Fitchburg, Massachusetts (where he was teammates with future NBA #2 overall draft pick, Michael Beasley). Corey then went on to have a very successful career at Purchase College where he played in 79 career games and averaged 10.6 PPG, 6.8 RPG, 2.33 APG, 0.84 SPG, 0.49 BPG, 0.43 FG%, 0.38 3PT%, 0.72 FT%. He helped change the culture of the Panthers Men's Basketball program. The team improved from 3-22 in 2007-2008 (the year before he arrived on campus) to 15-11 in 2008-2009. During his junior and senior years (2009-2010, 2010-2011) – the Panthers achieved their most successful seasons ever - going a combined 44-14, winning back-to-back Skyline Conference Championships and playing in the NCAA Division III Men's Basketball Tournament both years. Corey was a two-time All-Skyline Selection (2009-2010, 2010-2011) and graduated with the all-time school record for most career rebounds (541). He is now an accomplished charter school teacher. In July 2018, Corey was inducted into the inaugural class of the Max's All

Stars Hall of Fame.



### Additional Background Information

Since October 2015, we have laid the foundation for the Max's All Stars Youth Basketball Program.

### This includes:

- A dedicated coaching staff that features former collegiate/professional basketball players who are now imparting their wisdom on a younger generation
- Video footage of almost every workout/game that serves as a valuable learning resource for our participants, provides exposure for them and helps us promote the team
- Max's All Stars is well connected within the NYC basketball community allowing us to secure gym rentals in convenient locations, invite special guest coaches and join premier leagues/tournaments

In 2015 and 2016, Max's All Stars Youth Basketball Program hosted 41 workouts. We also competed in 21 games, finishing with an 8-13 record and reaching the ABC Hoops Junior Basketball League semifinals. During the 2016-2017 academic year, four of our prominent participants (Justin Cardenas, Keshaun Cameron, Sandeep Singh, and Travis Sukhdevsingh) played for their high school junior varsity teams.

In 2019, two members of the Max's All Stars Youth Basketball Program started their collegiate careers – Justin Cardenas and Keone Billey. Justin and Keone were members of the Max's All Stars Youth Basketball Program in 2015 and 2016. They both attended our weekly workouts led by Patrick James, Jason Lewis, Corey Orgias, and Troy Whittington. Justin played in 8 games for Max's All Stars and Keone played in 17. Justin played basketball for Thomas Edison Career & Technical High School from 2016 to 2019 and is now a member of the College of Staten Island Men's Basketball Team. Keone is enrolled at Kingsborough Community College and played on the men's basketball team as a freshman.







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# **Program Plan:**

- Weekly workouts/practices at a convenient gym location (TBD) in Brooklyn or Manhattan.
- Max's All Stars will join a league/tournament or independently schedule games against other teams.
- Players will receive an official Max's All Stars reversible jersey.
- All games and most of the workouts/practices will be photographed and filmed.
- · Weekly basketball drills/strength & conditioning workout plans.
- Player bios and statistics on our website.





## Price: TBD

- Dates/locations are subject to change.
- Entry fee is non-refundable.

Accepted Forms Of Payment:

Venmo – @Max-Margulis

CashApp – \$MaxMargulis14

PayPal – paypal.me/maxsallstars

Personal Checks - Pay to the order of "Max Margulis"

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