

Huskies upset San Leandro in NCS

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The boys basketball team, ranked seventh in North Coast Sectionals (NCS), played against San Leandro High School, Feb. 23. San Leandro, ranked tenth in NCS, competes in a league against schools like Bishop O' Dowd and Castro Valley, two of the most talented teams in the NCS boy's basketball.

San Leandro looked to pull an upset against Washington but came up short. San Leandro was behind the Huskies by one or two baskets throughout the game. In the fourth quarter, San Leandro and Washington alternated the lead position. When San Leandro tied the game with a two-pointer, senior Mark Wik raced down the court with 6.7 seconds and dished a no-look pass to senior Jack Veronin. He went for the game-winning layup, giving the Huskies the ultimate lead.

"I had to keep track of the clock, so I would know how much time was left," Wik said. "I saw the big man open, and I fed him the ball." After the shot, San Leandro called a time-out to prepare for a chance to tie the game. They went for the win but they failed. The Husky fans rushed onto the court at the sound of the buzzard, cheering on their team after a hard-fought victory. Feb. 26, the Huskies lost 47-66 in round two of NCS against De La Salle, the number two seeded team of the North



Photo by Jimmy Young
Junior Zuri Chu-Hall attempts to sink his second free throw. The Huskies won the game 62-60.

COUNTRY	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL
United States	9	15	13	37
Germany	10	13	7	30
Canada	14	7	5	26
Norway	9	8	6	23

All-star athletes commit to colleges
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Seniors Lauren Floro and Cedric Lousi were both honored for their athletic achievements in being actively recruited by Division 1 colleges. Floro has been recruited by University of California, Riverside and is guaranteed a spot on the soccer team, while Lousi has been given

a full ride scholarship to attend San Jose State University for football. Activities director Helen Paris arranged a "signing party" for both athletes to finalize their scholarships with family and friends. The leadership class spent the beginning of fourth period, Feb. 2, decorating the MPR, plastering the walls with posters and balloons. "Today, we are honoring Huskies who have taken sports to the highest level Washington has ever seen," Paris said. The last time a WHS student

had been recruited by a university was 2008 alum Morgan Woodrow, who now plays basketball for Michigan State. Floro has been named all-league selection forward, top offensive player and co-captain of the 2009-2010 season. Outside of school, Floro plays for the Pleasanton Rage and Premiere, a nationally recognized traveling soccer team. Floro will play a forward for the University of California, Riverside and major in global studies, aspiring to be an elementary school teacher. "I'm speechless," Floro said, "It's official now! But it still feels kind of surreal." Lousi, a 6-1 defensive and tight end player for

the Huskies has led Washington further than it has ever gone in 30 years. Girls soccer loses NCS "[Cedric] never hesitated to let the team go first," football head coach Ken Whittmer said. "He's not only a great player, but also a great leader." Lousi had been recruited by several schools, such as Brigham Young University, Sacramento State and University of Northern Colorado, but San Jose presented him with the best offer, fully covering all his expenses. According to Whittmer, the last Husky to have received a full scholarship to a Division 1 school was in 1982. Lousi has played varsity football for three years and was co-captain of the 2009



Seniors Lauren Floro and Cedric Lousi pose after finalizing their college scholarships. Floro will attend UC Riverside, while Lousi will attend San Jose State University. season. He was one of two players from Washington chosen to play in the all-star game in Sacramento and honored as third team All-East Bay Selection. The signing party, filled with flashing picture, emotion and hugs concluded with a loud chant: "Once a Husky, always a Husky."