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## **ST. MARK MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS SEASON BASKETBALL CHAMPS *MARKS TWO GIRLS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS IN A ROW***

**Wilmington, NC**—The St. Mark Catholic School middle school girls basketball team capped off the Southeastern Middle School League (SMSL) Division II season with a playoff win over St. Mary Wednesday night marking the school's second championship season in a row.

The girls of St. Mark and St. Mary battled it out through a tight first half with St. Mark pulling ahead to win 28-15. The St. Mark Lady Lions saw the season open with only one returning player from last year's undefeated 16-0 record with the remaining team and five starters comprised of all underclassmen. "This team was much different than last year's, so I wasn't really sure what we could accomplish," said St. Mark Girls Coach Chris Kirchoff. "They played tenacious defense all year and their confidence kept growing throughout the season—we all have a lot to be proud of," Kirchoff continued.

The St. Mark Girls finished their Division II season with only one loss.

The St. Mark Middle School Boys finished their regular season undefeated with an unprecedented 10-0 record. "I'm very proud of these players and their impressive turnaround from last year," commented St. Mark Boys Coach, Todd John.

The Southeastern Middle School Div II League includes Wilmington area private schools.

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