

Welcome to the University of Texas at Arlington, home of the twelve-time National Champion Adaptive Sports program! On behalf of the Division of Student Affairs along with the Lady Movin' Mavs and Movin' Mavs teams we are thrilled to welcome back the National Intercollegiate Wheelchair Basketball Tournament (NIWBT) to Maverick Country.

I want to sincerely thank all of you for joining us with your passion for inclusive sport, fair play, and enthusiastic competition. Over the years, the NIWBT alongside all the athletes, coaches, officials, and supporters is renowned for its high-level national competition and for being committed to developing student-athletes both on and off the court. UTA is extremely honored to host the incredible officials and tournament staff as they enrich the tournament experience for the student-athletes.

As you explore our campus and the city of Arlington, enjoy all the excitement of the competition, and don't forget this tournament is a great opportunity to represent your home institution among the elite athletes and programs from across the country. Each of the competing institutions serve as role model programs for students with disabilities. Enjoy the national tournament experience where you'll be surrounded by others who share a commitment to making these impactful opportunities possible and the sport the very best it can be.

Additionally, I encourage you to take some time during the tournament to recognize the infectious enthusiasm and hospitality of our campus community and National Wheelchair Basketball Association's staff, officials, fans, and volunteers who have made this event possible. I believe these communities are committed to transforming lives and inspiring the development of healthy, diverse, and sustainable communities worldwide through this incredible sport. The dedication and hard work of each of the student-athletes are the key to achieving these aspirations.

We are so grateful for this opportunity to collaborate to create a positive experience for everyone involved in the National Intercollegiate Wheelchair Basketball Tournament. Embrace the friendly competitive spirit that we've all come to appreciate along with some Texas hospitality, and know you'll be forming life-long memories, supporting inclusive sport, and advancing your personal health and wellbeing.

I'm looking forward to watching the passion, perseverance, and athleticism at College Park Center this weekend.

Best of luck and Go Mays!

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