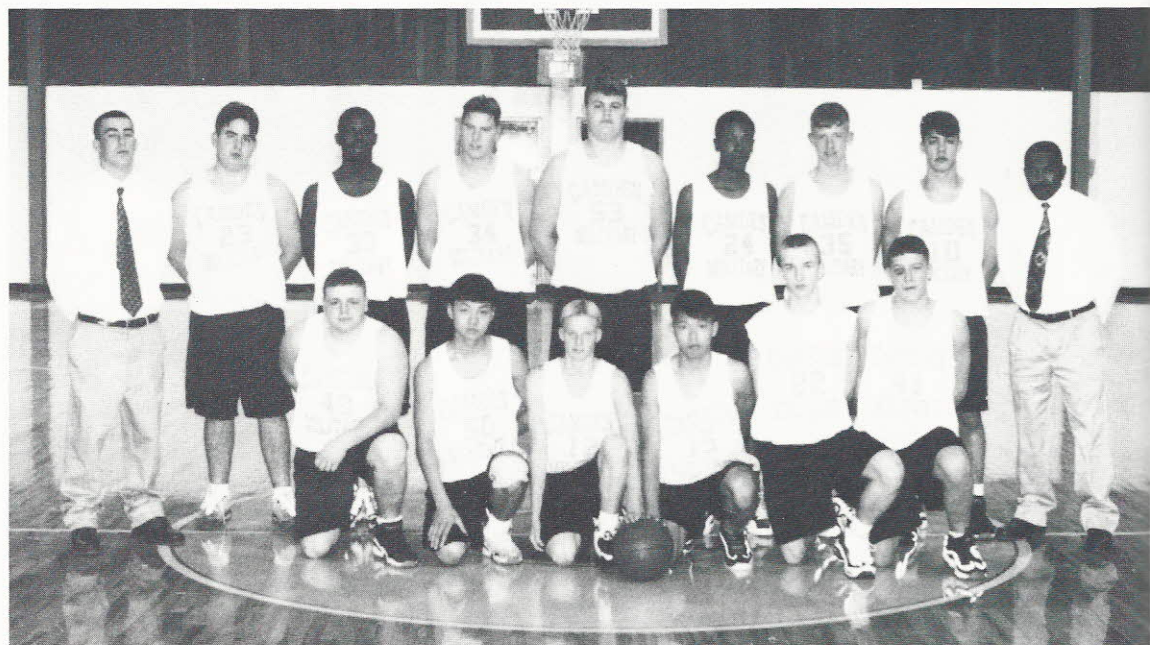


JV Basketball

The Spartan JV's played to a 500 conclusion this season and would have gone out clear winners except for a few close games, such as the first Hammond and Westminster clashes. "Turnovers really hurt us," said Coach Sims, "and in some cases our players underestimated their opponents." All JV players from last year either went up to the varsity or left school. The new players had varying experience with organized sports. Even so, the Spartans figured to be strong inside with big men Bauer, Austin, and Ferguson. Tso and Edgar were good outside shooters, and sixth man Brad Thompson was versatile off the bench. Zlata, Kingston, Cousins, Lam, Martin, and Hogan were capable of making important contributions. Coach Sims points to a strong finish as a mark of maturity for the Spartans: "At midseason we came together as a team. We began to understand each other and work together as a unit. The team practiced hard and became focused." Everyone on the roster got playing time this season. "That," said the coach, "is what JV basketball is all about."



Spartans: JL Zlata, E Tso, TR Martin, W Lam, BA Thompson, BL Cousins **Row 2:** AJ Ward, MR Medeiros, JL Singleton, M Bauer, RO Austin, JC Ferguson, AD Hogan, BJ Edgar, Coach Sims



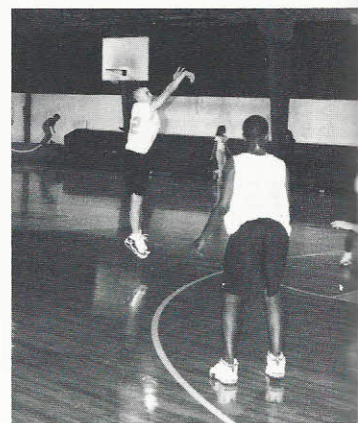
Zlata gets off a shot from outside the circle.



BJ Edgar was true on many perimeter shots this season.



A superior ball handler, Tso finds a seam and goes in for the finger roll.



Brad Thompson shows classic form in launching his three-point attempt.



A scoring threat inside and out, Ferguson fires this shot from the lane.



A terror on the boards, Austin revealed a soft scoring touch anywhere around the basket.



Bauer concentrates on the bucket as he begins his two-step for the layup.