

Varsity Basketball

The 2001 basketball Spartans played to an 12-6 regular season record. "We were versatile," said Coach Priester. "We could start several different lineups and give our opponents different looks." The team played with heart and were in a position to win almost every game. Darshan Laborde, Anthony Williams, Peter Rooney, and Chad Myers (at times the best player on the floor) provided most of the offensive power that blew some opponents away. Center Bron Rathert and forward Jorge Tillman were strong on the boards and provided interior defense. Maurice Hoover stepped up late in the season to do an excellent job at point guard. Coming off the bench at forward, Frank Hill was always a solid player. Senior Jason Horne was one of the key competitive elements, providing the leadership to hold the team together on and off the court. Playing basketball for the first time, Danieve Harper improved greatly over the season. Thez Robinson, an outstanding athlete, gave the team another reliable performer off the bench when he arrived second semester. Promoted to the varsity late in the season, jayvee players Tyler Harrill and Tony Swinton will provide leadership next season. "Overall," observed Coach Priester, "we had an impressive season."



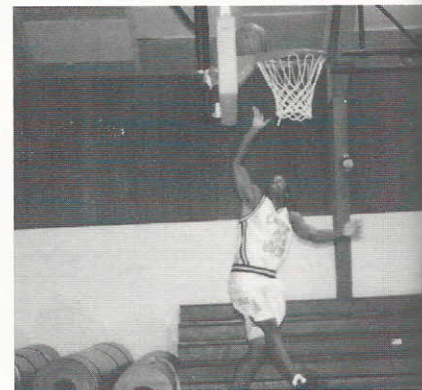
A consistent outside scorer, Peter Rooney fires his jump shot from three-point range.



Splitting two defenders, senior guard Jason Horne launches his deadly jumper.



Junior point guard Maurice Hoover gets ready to penetrate the defense.



Senior forward Thez Robinson steals the ball an uncontested lay-up.



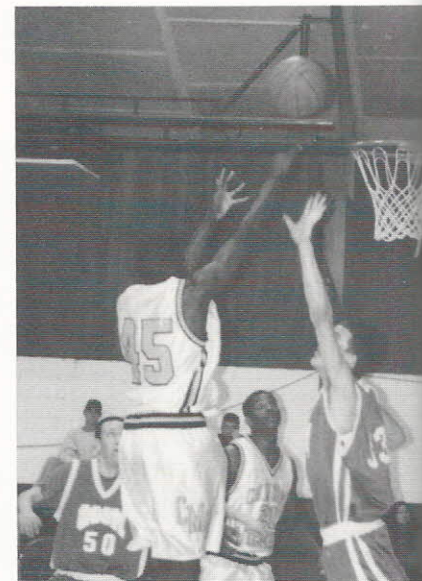
Senior forward Jorge Tillman gets free inside for an easy bucket.



Senior center Bron Rathert goes high to get off a jumper in the paint.



Ahead of the pack on the fast break, Frank Hill flies in for the slam dunk.



Forward Danieve Harper clears the defender score from close in.