

## **Northwestern Girls Basketball Team Ready To Take On AAA.**

The Northwestern Wildcats varsity girl's basketball coach, Bill Takach, is very much looking forward to the challenges his team faces this year.

"The team will be competitive," said Coach Takach. "We attended four different basketball camps this summer and the team's skills increased considerably," he said. "We played a lot of games at these camps against some very good teams. The experience that we gained at the camps will show up in our scores" the Coach said.

"There is a lot of hard work ahead of us. Our practices will have to be intense but the team should be up for the challenge. The girls always work hard and are very dedicated" said Takach.

According to Takach, there are six returning seniors this year. These players will form the core of the team and provide leadership for the younger players.

In addition, Coach Takach is concerned that the Wildcats are the shortest team in the league but "hustle and good ball control should keep us in the game" said the Coach.

With the Wildcats being moved to AAA status, there will be unique opportunities to see some new playing philosophies from the different schools. Takach said that "this is not going to be easy but we will do the best that we can. We can learn a lot from playing against these teams and gain some valuable experience."

This is Coach Takach's 11<sup>th</sup> year coaching the Wildcats having returned last year from a three year hiatus. "There have been so many changes in the district, some good and some not so good, but that is what we have been handed and that is what we will work with. I am excited to get started and see what the season brings to us. "

Team practices begin on November 13<sup>th</sup> and the season opens on December 1<sup>st</sup> at Conneaut Valley.