Developing young men is the No. 1 goal of the Linfield basketball program. Athletics teaches you about setting goals, handling adversity, sacrifice, teamwork, and reaching for your dreams. The whole concept of striving for athletic success, maximizing ability, eating right, sleeping well and thinking straight, are all skills that can be developed through hard work, dedication, and focus.

Being a student in every sense of the word is critical to understand on and off the court. We believe it is important that student-athletes shape and enhance the world that they live with spirit, communication, hustle, precision and having the right approach. Organization is an essential ingredient to productivity and is why we emphasize time management.

On the court, we want to be contenders for the Northwest Conference championship every year. Acknowledging fans, analyzing performance and having the right approach, are all crucial concepts to making that happen. Intelligent communication is important and it is a vital part of building a team concept.

It is our belief that championships are not won on the night of the big event but years before by athletes who dedicate themselves daily to championship principles.

To make arrangements for a campus visit, reach Coach Larry Doty at ldoty@linfield.edu or 503-883-2416

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So that we may help you pursue a great education and basketball experience, be sure to enter your information into the Prospective Athletes section.
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