



The San Dimas basketball tournament has been around for nearly 50 years! The tournament began in the 70s with Coach Bob Espinosa. The tournament continued on in the 80s under Coach Gary Prestesater. In 2014 Coach Gordon Hamlow named the San Dimas tournament the Gary Prestesater classic.

Gary Prestesater was inducted into the Azusa Pacific Athletics Hall of Fame in 1993. Prestesater, was a member of the Azusa College Basketball team from 1963-1965. Throughout his career he scored 1,485 points, averaging 31.6 points per game. He helped lead Azusa College to two consecutive GSAA regular season co-championships. In one notable game during his career at Azusa College, he scored a single-game high of 62 points. In 1963-1964 season was a memorable one for Prestesater, as he earned the Associate Press and United Press international small college All-America honors. He was recognized as an All-American, in result of leading the Nation's Small College players in scoring average (33.8), compiling 1,015 points during that season, and shot 87.2 percent from the free-throw line.

After college, Prestesater would become the head coach at San Dimas in the early 1970s until 2007. During his tenure at San Dimas he accumulated 500 wins and a CIF Championship in 1999. The gym fittingly boasts a banner "The House that Pres Built."

This 2023 Prestesater classic has an excellent and competitive combination of teams from different regions and leagues. The 16 team field features 7 league champions in San Dimas, Glendora, Walnut, Don Lugo, Bosco Tech, Eagle Rock, and Western Christian. Bosco Tech had a remarkable season going 27-7 and winning CIF division 5AA they also return all 5 starters plus several key reserves. Eagle Rock went 24-6 and won the L.A. City Section championship in division 2A. San Dimas was 25-7 and made the 3AA Quarter finals, while Ontario Christian made it to the Division 3AA semifinals and played 1 game in the state tournament. Walnut High had an amazing year going 31-3 and making division 2A Quarterfinals. Glendora was 21-8 and was the champion of the very tough Palomares league.

YEAR	TEAM	MVP
2014	Ayala	Austen Awoshika
2015	Ayala	Miles President
2016	Rancho Cucamonga	Kelvin Wright

2017	Rancho Cucamonga	
2018	Schurr	
2019	Los Osos	
2021	Glendora	Nolan Smith
2022	Diamond Bar	Malcom Bell