

COLBY COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL

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Dr. Allen
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Dear Mr. Allen:

I wonder if you would take a few minutes to answer several questions for me. As you know there are many school men who will have to go back to coaching again this year to keep the school program alive and I am one of them. I know your help on the below questions would guide me in some decisions this year.

Several years ago, I believe between 1930 and '34 a study was made of the actual time in a game that a team had to score, that is, after taking the time used in held ball, out of bounds, bringing the ball up to the defense and other time consuming phases of the game. What I would like to know is do you have the time left to score information?

Perhaps this question is answered as far as you are concerned by the fact you have I believe favored this type set up; the question is the ~~is~~ a base floor formation set up that gives the offensive team a better driving angle than others, for example, does the three men out and two in offer more strength to the offensive team than a two men out and three men in?

In reading your books on basketball I have noticed you stress pressing the opponents guards as they bring the ball up the court, should this be a loose guarding pressing game, or close? What tactics do you advise other than those outlined in guarding situations in your books.

Yours truly

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