

Gallup High basketball player to play at Taft College

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Gallup High's girls varsity basketball team finished this past season with a record of 25-5. And now one of the girls who helped them achieve that record is going on to play basketball at Taft College in California.

Trinity Juan signed her letter of intent to play basketball for the college on May 20. In an interview with the *Sun*, she said she was pleasantly surprised when the college reached out.

"Getting to play college basketball is a blessing," Juan said. "I didn't think I would have the chance [to go on to college basketball] because I was a point guard who didn't score much, and these days it's the people who score often are the ones who are most likely [to go on to college basketball]."

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Juan's coach Todd McBroom said that it's Juan's dedication to the game that makes her a good basketball player.

"She's always staying after practice, shooting. She gets there early; she always wants to work on her game," McBroom said. "She puts in a lot of extra work that other kids don't, so that makes her pretty special."

Juan said one of her favorite memories from playing basketball in high school was when the team went to the state playoffs her junior year. The team won first place in the 4A division that year.

Juan said that besides basketball, she plans on majoring in education. She said she wants to become a math teacher, and the teachers she had at Gallup High played a part in that decision.

"I just thought math came really easy to me," Juan said. "All my teachers explained it really well and they were the most fun teachers I had."

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