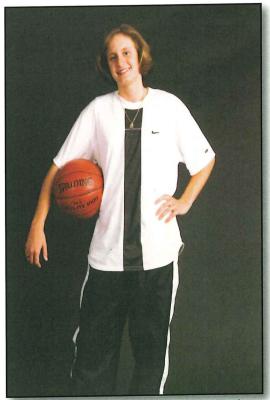
## **PAULA DILL**

## AULA DILL WAS BORN AUGUST 7, 1981 IN JASPER, ALABAMA TO THE LATE BOBBY AND JUDY DILL.

She was a 1999 graduate of Curry High School. As a multiple sport athlete, she was selected many times for All County, All Area, All State and MVP in both basketball and volleyball. Dill and her team were able to fight in the volleyball Sub-State and the State playoffs in 1996 and 1998. Despite never being able to advance to the State playoffs in basketball, Dill was just shy of 2,000 points in her four years as a Curry Yellow Jacket. After graduating from Curry, Dill was a multiple sport athlete at Wallace State Community College in Hanceville, Alabama. There she signed a volleyball scholarship and also played on the WSC basketball team. During her two years at WSC, she was able to help lead her volleyball team to two Alablama Junior and Community College Conference Championships (AJCCC) and a spot in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCCC) Division 1 Tournament. Dill was also named All Conference her Sophomore year in 2001. In basketball, she was able to help her team win the AJCCC Championship her Sophomore year (2001) and a spot in the NJCCC Tournament. Once Dill gradu-



ated with her Associates Degree she signed a basketball scholarship with the University of Mobile. During her two years as a UM Ram she was able to help lead her team to conference championship in 2001-2002 and a spot in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Tournament. Completing her Bachelor's Degree in Human Performance and Exercise Science she also obtained her Alabama Teaching Certificate in May 2004.

Upon college graduation, Dill received a job teaching Health and Physical Education at Oak Mountain High School in Shelby County, Alabama. She was also an assistant coach for volleyball, basketball and softball. After two years at this position she was granted the opportunity to return to Wallace State as the head volleyball coach and an academic advisor. This was a life altering opportunity where she was able to grow as a young coach and continue to learn from and work under her most influential mentor, Coach Tracy Whitt. Coach Whitt was Dill's volleyball coach her freshman year at WSC and was her supervisor as an academic advisor. After only a year at WSC, Dill returned to the high school scene as the head volleyball coach and a physical education teacher at Spain Park High School in Hoover, Alabama. She was able to lead her team to an Area Championship in 2008. After six years as head volleyball coach she decided to step down from her coaching position and the following spring she completed her Master's of Education Degree in 2014. Despite her stepping down from head volleyball coach, Dill was still coaching basketball at Berry Middle School. She started coaching at Spain Park's middle school in 2013 and continues to do so to this day. During this time as a basketball coach she has helped her teams win multiple Metro Championships. In addition to coaching basketball at Berry, she is one of the ESports coaches for Spain Park. With this being her third year to coach ESports, she was able to help lead one of the League of Legends teams to winning the State Championship in 2019. Dill continues to have a passion for teaching and coaching with plans to continue her career at Spain Park High School. While Dill's family still lives in Jasper, she resides in Birmingham, Alabama.