

Volleyball bronze for St. Michael's, hoops consolation for Northern

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St. Michael's Choir School is singing a song of victory this week after their senior boys volleyball team capped off a great season with a bronze medal at the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) provincial championships in Belleville.

St. Michael's won the A-level bronze medal over Chippewa 3-2 (25-22 13-25 25-16 20-25 15-8).

It was the only championship round medal to be earned by Toronto teams at either the boys volleyball or girls basketball championships, which wrapped up across the province last weekend at four levels from A-level to 4A-level.

Toronto did nab one consolation hoops championship by midtown's Northern Secondary.

St. Michael's, which won the Toronto District Catholic Athletic Association (TDCAA) championship (3-0 over Michael Power / St. Joseph Catholic Secondary from Etobicoke) earlier in the month, was relegated to the OFSAA bronze medal match with a semifinal loss to eventual silver medalists Louis-Riel from Ottawa 3-0 (25-23 25-22 25-20).

St. Michael's, at 67 Bond St. (near Dundas and Yonge streets), won its quarter-final match over London District Christian Secondary 3-0 (25-21 25-21 25-19).

In pool play, St. Michael's only loss – in two straight games – was to eventual gold medalist Quinte Christian High School, while winning its other three games in two straight against Ridgeway Crystal Beach High School, Walkerton District Community School and E.S. catholique Ste-Marie from New Liskeard.

Another downtown Toronto school, the University of Toronto Schools, went winless in four matches in pool play.

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Northern Secondary, meanwhile, lost its first two games at the 4A OFSAA girls basketball championship in London, but then took the consolation crown with three straight wins including the consolation championship 53-46 over Notre Dame from Ajax. Top Northern scorers in that game were McKenzie Sigurdson (26) and Julia Chandler (13).

The other two Toronto schools in the 4A tournament – Eastern Commerce from east Toronto and Blessed Pope John Paul II from Scarborough – were both ousted in their third round quarter-final games.