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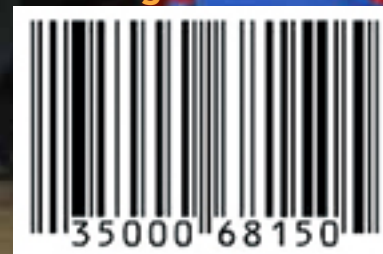
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From the Editor

We would like to welcome you to the Spring 2014 issue of Nothing But Net – a magazine geared toward hard core high school basketball recruiting enthusiasts.

It is our intention to bring to life in living color the top faces and stories of high school basketball as well as preview the college and NBA stars of tomorrow.

This issue will include our customary class-by-class national rankings (the top prospects from the 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 classes) and our feature story on top ranked 2014 prospect Stanley Johnson as well as profiles of highly regarded prep stars like Emmanuel Mudiay, Stephen Zimmerman, Rashad Vaughn, Daniel Hamilton, Josh Perkins, Thon Maker and Josh Jackson.

As we gear toward the upcoming summer circuit, we also reflect back on the exciting grassroots Summer of 2013 which provided scouts, media and fans with plenty of lasting memories.

Our NBN website - www.nbnmagazine.com - will host the online version of our magazine as well as contain up-to-the-minute stories, columns, blogs and information about current and upcoming events.

We hope that you will make us a part of your circle of sources for high school basketball and look forward to improving our publication issue-by-issue.

Enjoy!

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DANIEL HAMILTON

BY SEAN C EGLINSKY

Basketball is essentially in his blood. The game is his DNA, so to speak. When it comes to life on the court, the hardwood is all that Daniel Hamilton has known considering he was born into the business. Ever since the formative years, as a youngster, in fact.

Fast forward to the here and now, present day, and the highly-touted recruit in the Class of 2014 from Bellflower (Calif.) St. John Bosco appears to be well on his way to fulfilling an apparent destiny. That being, naturally, the next step on an important journey.

If the past is any indication of what's possibly in store for the future, Hamilton figures to be playing for years to come. His family tree, after all, has many basketball-related branches considering he has a pair of brothers who have recently prolonged their careers.

Back in the day, Hamilton was always an attentive understudy of brother Jordan Hamilton as the older sibling was a budding star on the prep scene in Los Angeles. A stop for college ball at Texas took place shortly thereafter before his current stint in the NBA.

Another brother, Isaac Hamilton, is following in a similar set of footsteps. He's enrolled over at UCLA and all signs point to a bright future awaiting him in Westwood after he recently took care of business as one of the nation's top prospects in the Class of 2013.

Given his family history, it's safe to say that expectations are high for Daniel Hamilton. And if anyone is capable of living up to all the hype, perhaps it's the 6-foot-8 and 178-pound wing, who is known as a shooting guard but can also play some small forward.

"He can knock down three with regularity, stop and pop pull-up, or finish at the rim with length. He uses length to take away passing lanes on defense. He does a lot of things well," said Van Coleman, the national recruiting director for Nothing But Net Magazine.

Hamilton received an all-important opportunity to showcase his skills, to the entire country, during the Jordan Brand Classic. The selection was warranted, especially when you consider, for some reason, he was snubbed for the McDonald's All-American Game.

Hamilton committed to UConn back in November and he picked the Huskies despite drawing interest from a number of different schools. Several were among the nation's premier teams around and Arizona and Louisville had scholarship offers on the table for him.

In the end, however, Hamilton decided that the Huskies were the best possible fit. Once he arrives on campus, the goal is to reach the next level, of course. And what better place to do that



than at UConn, considering the well-documented history of the program.

Furthermore, when you take into account the track record of those closest to him, and in the same gene pool, odds are Hamilton enjoys some success in college. And perhaps beyond. He was destined to play the game and continues to take steps toward realizing his fate. ●

MALIK NEWMAN

BY SEAN C EGLINSKY

With his head seemingly on a swivel, Malik Newman dribbles the ball down the court, despite having a pesky and little defender draped all over his back. Also worth mentioning, a tall and lanky forward is heading in his general direction for the double-team.

A one-bounce dribble to the left, and a quick crossover move back to the right, frees up some additional space. Seconds later, the high-profile combo guard from the Class of 2015 is driving into the lane with the heart of a defense quickly collapsing around him.

Newman collects himself amid the confusion, however, by using a disciplined jump-stop at the free-throw line and everything comes together. Out of the corner of his eye, a cutter dives to the basket and a well-placed bounce pass leads to an uncontested lay-up.

All in day's work for the heady floor general. It's sequences such as this one, in fact, that truly separates Newman from most of his peers around the country. And we have not started to talk about his ability to finish in traffic or his deft touch from out on the perimeter.

Without much question, Newman is the nation's premier play-maker when it comes to underclassmen. His skill set is advanced, to be sure, and the 6-foot-3 and 174-pounder from Jackson (Miss.) Callaway has proven this to be true time, and time, again. Without fail.

Make no mistake, there's a growing consensus about his elite status. One need not look any further than the list of interested colleges for the proof. Newman has close to 15 offers in place and we wouldn't be the least bit surprised if the number has grown since last checked.

Kansas and Kentucky lead the charge with scholarships on the table for him. That said, it's difficult to imagine any other programs coming between Newman and the two juggernauts. Still, schools make sure to keep the lines of communication open. Rightfully so.

Arizona, Louisville and Memphis are among the others in contact with him on a consistent basis. Can't forget to mention that Duke has recently entered the mix. The Blue Devils have not offered, however. Chances are, that scenario changes. Sooner rather than later.

With the ball in his hands, good things tend to happen. The same thing can be said about him when he's playing off. Newman works hard to get open. And when given the opportunity, he's capable of burying jumpers or stepping beyond the arc with similar success.

There is not much he can't do on the offensive end of the floor, when push comes to shove. On defense, Newman is no slouch. The biggest mistake an opponent can make is to spark the fire within him. Once engaged, he takes



things personally. Get out of his way then.

In a nutshell, Newman is close to finished a product. Often times in control of the pace of play, he already makes good decisions and can finish inside or out. Most interesting part about his development, with another two-plus years worth of work ahead, sky appears to be the limit. ●

RASHAD VAUGHN

BY FRANK BURLISON

After watching Rashad Vaughn in August of 2013 during the four-day adidas Nations (in Garden Grove, CA), I came away with a strong hunch:

I had just witnessed the No. 1 shooting guard prospect in the national Class of 2014.

A lot of guys jump shoot very well, from deep, off the catch or off the dribble. Others are more adept as mid-range jump shooters. Then there are those players who have mastered the art of floaters or runners in traffic. And, course, there are the hoopsters who can take their defender off the dribble, rise in the lane and lay the ball off the glass and through the hoop – or just bypass the “lay it off the glass” part and just cram in through the iron.

What might be the preferred mode of attack for the 6-foot-5 Vaughn, who headed west from his hometown of Golden Valley, MN, and enrolled at Findlay Prep (Henderson, NV) last summer for his senior season?

Well, how about . . . each and every one of them?

Vaughn, who recently signed a national letter of intent to play his college basketball at UNLV, put all of those remarking scoring skills on display during two of the most high-profile “evaluation events” last summer.



And the most underrated aspect to his remarkable set of skills was also brandished at both the Pangos All-American Camp in Long Beach (CA) in June and LeBron James Skills Academy in Las Vegas in July:

He’s a willing and quality passer. “I think that is the one thing that went unnoticed by a lot of people who watched him in the summer,” said Joel Francisco, the Long Beach-based “Recruiting Nation Insider” for ESPN.com.

“Unlike a lot of guys who can score the way he can – and as easily as he can – he

didn’t hesitate to get the ball to a teammate with that player had a better shot than he did.”

Along with Stanley Johnson (Santa Ana, CA, Mater Dei), Vaughn was one of the two players who scored with something approaching absurd ease during most of the three-day event in Long Beach.

The competition was a bit stouter in Las Vegas. But, with the greatest player in the world often courtside watching – or, at times, chipping in with a suggestion or word of encouragement – Vaughn had no trouble showing off that deep bag of tricks he possesses.

His release is so sound and quick that he needs just a miniscule amount of time or space to launch his jumper.

Those who try to “sell out”, defensively, on his jump shot were made to pay, though, via shot fakes that he turned into easy drives into the lane that he converted into layups or dishes to teammates for wide-open opportunities.

His matchup against 2015 standout Malik Newman (Jackson, MS, Callaway) was one of the highlights of the camp.

And, in my humble estimation, his performance against Newman solidified his status as the No. 1 shooting guard in the senior class. ●

STEPHEN ZIMMERMAN

BY SEAN C EGLINSKY

From the second that Stephen Zimmerman steps foot inside the gym, heads turn and chatter begins. He looks the part. And plays the part. In fact, when it comes to upside, few prospects in the Class of 2015 possesses as much as the center from Las Vegas (Nev.) Bishop Gorman.

No one is sure a thing nowadays. Zimmerman, however, is about as close as it gets. The 6-foot-11 and 225-pound post has a well-rounded game on both ends of the floor. One that's constantly improving, for the record. He's the complete package, by most accounts. The real deal.

Scoring down in the low block comes rather naturally for Zimmerman. Pulling up and knocking down a mid-range jumper is not a problem. His range out to the three-point arc improves on daily basis. The bottom line: Put the rock in his hands and he'll put the ball in the basket.

On defense, watch out, Zimmerman typically enjoys a challenge on that end of the floor. He's not one to shy away from contact in the paint. Every shot in his general vicinity is contested. And once the ball bounces off the rim, his desire to grab the board immediately kicks in.

It's difficult to find much fault in anywhere in his game. At least at this stage. Perhaps Zimmerman can add some weight to his frame. Then again, the underclassman still has time to grow. If, and when, that happens, he



could be seemingly unstoppable on the whole prep scene.

In the meantime, there's plenty to like about him. College coaches and scouts appear to agree. He has a handful of offers on the table, many from some of the nation's powerhouse programs. By this time next year, Zimmerman figures to be the country's hottest recruit around.

You name the school and he has a scholarship waiting from that team. Kansas and Kentucky are among his potential suitors. North Carolina and Louisville would like nothing more than to land Zimmerman. A bit closer to home, Arizona and UCLA remain in

constant contact.

By the time his senior season rolls around, he could be tabbed as the country's No. 1 player, along with the likes of Malik Newman from Jackson (Miss.) Callaway, Ivan Rabb from Oakland (Calif.) Bishop O'Dowd and Tyler Dorsey from Bellflower (Calif.) St. John Bosco.

The future is indeed bright for Zimmerman. Perhaps that best explains why he receives all of the added attention, including the looks and the talk, after stepping into the building for his games. All eyes are on him now. And we don't see that scenario changing anytime soon. ●

JOSH JACKSON

BY FRANK BURLISON



When this generation of hoops junkies thinks of all the superb basketball players produced in Michigan, a couple names usually come to mind.

The most immediate of those is Magic Johnson.

Earvin Johnson – as he was more well known at the time by most of those outside of the Lansing Everett High inner-circle and those who follow hoops in the state – led his high school team to a state title in 1977 before taking Michigan State to the NCAA Tournament Elite Eight as a freshman and a national title in 1979 as a sophomore in what proved to be his last season in college.

I don't think anyone needs a primer on what Johnson did with the Lakers.

And the other Michigan hoops icon, naturally, is Chris Webber.

He was the linchpin of "The Fab Five", which, although he and his buddies came up short in the 1992 and '93 national championship games, truly revolutionized the sport – not only by way of those radical (at the time) baggy shorts but in the realization that chronological age, and class standing, wasn't nearly as relative as had been so long believed.

But I'm part of a generation that can easily recall two other products of Michigan who also made a considerable impact in their era – and, in the game of George Gervin, even into today.

Gervin, migrated west from Detroit to spend what proved to be just a few weeks in 1970 at Long Beach State (when Jerry Tarkanian was building that program into the brief power it was during his five seasons before heading to UNLV) before transferring closer to home and playing just one season at Eastern Michigan before becoming an ABA – and then NBA – standout and ultimately Hall of Fame member.

To this day, when I think of the description "smooth", his oh-so-fluid style of play – especially as a scorer – comes immediately to mind.

Oh, yeah . . . and that finger roll was so sweet!

Ralph Simpson was a 6-foot-5 guard who graduated from Detroit Pershing in 1970 with a teammate – Spencer Haywood – who later helped lead the U.S. to gold in the 1968 Mexico City

Summer Olympics before having a nice ABA and NBA career.

Simpson rocked it for a couple of years at Michigan State before becoming an ABA all-star with the Nuggets and then playing decently when the ABA merged with the NBA.

He was so powerful on the dribble – a sort of a "grade C" version of Oscar Robertson – the ultimate "power guard" – even when Michael Jordan and Kobe Bryant are tossed into the mix.

And watching 6-6 Josh Jackson of Detroit Consortium last summer with the Dorian's Pride travel program at the adidas Super 64 in Las Vegas and during the adidas Nations in Southern California a week later conjured images of Gervin and Simpson.

Is he, in fact, the "No. 1 prospect in the national Class of 2016"?

But his name should be in every conversation when the topic arises.

Is he a point guard, shooting guard or small forward? It would be a pointless debate – no pun intended.

His wide variety of basketball and athletic skill, and what appeared to be a strong sense of doing whatever his teammates and coach need from him at any given point, renders trying to lock him into a position moot.

And he's got three more high school seasons to demonstrate my point exactly. ●

THON MAKER

BY FRANK BURLISON

Who is the top “big” in the national high school class of 2016?

Well, over the course of 12 months or so, Thon Maker presented a solid on-court argument on his behalf.

The seven-footer, born in the Sudan but with a stop (at age 7) in Australia before coming to the U.S., played for Team Africa during the 2012 adidas Nations in Garden Grove (CA) in early August of 2013.

At 180 pounds or so, he was easily knocked around – in and around the lane – by all of the stronger and more polished post players he competed against.

But, if often seeming out of sorts against that level of competition, he showed off fluidity in movement – laterally and vertically – to go with a soft shooting touch from the perimeter.

He was scheduled to attend Metairie Park Country Day in Louisiana before relocating to Virginia, where attended classes and played for The Carlisle School in Martinsville.

In the spring he played – and played very well – for the Bo Williams squad during Nike Elite Youth Basketball League circuit, demonstrating much more assertiveness as a rebounder and shot blocker with the extra 20 or so more pounds that he was lugging in Garden Grove the previous August.

Over the May 31-June 2 weekend,



he made another trip to Southern California (in April he was back in Garden for the first EYBL stop), this time in Long Beach, for the Pangos All-American Camp.

He was still pushed around some in the low post (when he ventured down there; he definitely seems a lot more comfortable in face-up situations) but also made it extremely difficult for opponents – big or small – to score over the top of him or even a step or so to the side of him with his dimensions and timing.

And, yes, he used that velvety shooting touch to hit jumpers. And, when defenders closed out too rapidly when he caught the ball on

the perimeter, he often put the ball on the floor and drove for mid-range pull-ups or dished to teammates for open attempts.

A few weeks later he was back in Virginia, this time in Charlottesville for the NBA Players Association Top 100 Camp.

It was easy to overlook him – as much as you can overlook a seven-footer, I suppose – with posts such as Stephen Zimmerman (Las Vegas Bishop Gorman), Cheick Diallo (Centerreach, NY, Our Savior), Myles Turner (Eules, TX, Trinity), Elbert Robinson (Garland, TX, Lakeview Christian), Isaac Haas (Hokes Bluff, AL) and Karl Towns (Metuchen, NJ, St. Joseph’s) often on the court at the same time.

But, when given enough space to keep a firm foundation under him, he blocked more than his share of shots, rebounded impressively and converted reasonably well in the lane.

Diallo and another high-profile post from the Class of 2015, Ivan Rabb (Oakland, CA, Bishop O’Dowd) were so aggressive and active than, once again, Maker’s presence was obscured a bit during July’s LeBron James Skills Academy in Las Vegas.

But his body of work – no matter how slender his “literal” body might still be – over those 12 months was something that could never be overlooked by any attentive high school hoops observer. ●

JOSH PERKINS

BY SEAN C EGLINSKY



When you have as many options as Josh Perkins does, both on and off the court, things can be easy at times. That said, life also tends to be difficult. Nevertheless, the well-known prospect from the Class of 2014 has figured out away to take everything in stride.

For example, when he's on the hardwood, Perkins has seemingly much more responsible than anyone else around him. It's something that simply comes along with the territory for the 6-foot-2 and 176-pound guard from Huntington (W.V.) Huntington Prep.

In terms of his future, Perkins recently made the somewhat difficult decision to attend Gonzaga despite having scholarship offers from a number of

different schools. We're talking about the cream of the crop when it comes to the country's colleges. Best of the best.

In both instances, Perkins appeared to handled himself particularly well. Given his uncanny ability to distribute the ball, his on-court awareness comes as little, or no, surprise. His final destination at the next level, that choice might have caught some off-guard.

Still, given his track record thus far and status as one the nation's top players in the business, one has to think that Perkins is in full control. He's done nothing to show us otherwise. That said, it's reasonable to expect things to continue to head in right direction for him.

Perkins is talented, there's no doubt about it. Scouts and coaches always talk about players who make their teammates better by simply being on the floor at the same time. Perkins fits into that mold. He keeps everyone involved and knows when to go and get his.

Coach Mark Few of the Bulldogs is certainly aware of the skill set in possession of Perkins and is most likely champing at the bit to get him on campus in Spokane, Wash. Once there, up in the Northwest, we can certainly envision him stepping into the starter's role.

And therein lies the key. Playing time. It's not completely out of the question for us to assume Perkins picked Gonzaga because he'll have a chance to contribute right away. It would help to explain why he chose to play for Few & Co. and spurned so many others.

Keep in mind, before the decision to play for the Bulldogs, Perkins had options. Close to 30, if we're keeping count. UConn and Kansas pursued him for quite some time. Arizona and UCLA were among the others keeping in constant contact with him as well.

Nevertheless, with Gonzaga in mind, Perkins had a plan all along, similar to how he does when running the show at his spot on the floor. That said, he appears to be advanced well beyond his years when it comes managing life. Both on and off the court, naturally. ●

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From an early age, **Stanley Johnson** had a basketball in his hands. As the story goes, he was handed one when he was five-years old. The rock never left his side as a youngster, mind you. He would eat with it. Sleep with it. The leather never left his side. It was an extension of him.

STAN

Now, more than a decade later, Johnson and that same basketball, figuratively speaking of course, are still attached at the hip. The two are inseparable. As a direct result of the connection established way back when, the future is particularly bright for the talented Johnson.

He recently wrapped up a memorable and decorated four-year career at Santa Ana (Calif.) Mater Dei. The high-profile prospect in the Class of 2014 was never better than this past season too. And given his whole body of work, Johnson is the Nothing But Net Player of the Year.

"Even though I was young, I fell in love with the game," Johnson said. "Some people might not believe that, but I do. When things are right, you just know. Basketball has been a big part of my life and I don't see that changing. I felt like I was put here to play, show what I can do."

When it comes to upside, Johnson possesses plenty of potential. Off the charts potential. He knows it. Seemingly everyone knows it. Johnson is as close to a sure-fire thing as there is nowadays. As long as he remains somewhat healthy, there is no telling how good he can truly be.

College coaches from all over the country and the national recruiting gurus appear to be on the same page when it comes to evaluating Johnson. Don't think, not even for one split second, that scouts from the NBA aren't fully aware of his high ceiling and well-rounded skill set.

"To make the kind of season-to-season improvement Stanley did makes him more remarkable," said Frank Burlison, the senior national recruiting analyst for Nothing But Net Magazine. "No one in the Class of 2014, anywhere, played at a more consistently terrific, game-to-game level."



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By Sean Ceglinsky



Stanley Johnson

Johnson is the prototype. The complete package. A 6-foot-7 shooting guard can stroke it from out on the perimeter or put the ball on the floor and get to the rim. Unselfish, when the opponent is focused on stopping him, he's smart enough to keep teammates involved with an assist.

On the defensive end, a challenge is always welcomed. Johnson has been known, on more than one or two occasions, to shutdown his counterpart. When a stop is needed, his number is called. Securing an all-important steal or a must-have rebound isn't a problem. It's part of the routine.

He's heading in the right direction, without question. Following his days on the prep circuit, Johnson is heading to Arizona after committing back in November. The Wildcats should consider themselves lucky to have landed him considering he could have played anywhere in the country.

AS A SENIOR, JOHNSON BECAME THE FIRST PLAYER IN THE HISTORY OF THE GOLDEN STATE TO LEAD A PROGRAM TO FOUR STRAIGHT UPPER-DIVISION TITLES WHILE COMPETING IN THE CALIFORNIA INTERSCHOLASTIC FEDERATION (CIF).

By the time Johnson arrives in Tucson at Arizona, however, his days could be numbered. We wouldn't be the least surprised if he's a one-and-done type of player in college. A brief stint with the Wildcats is likely before life in the professional ranks becomes an interesting proposition.

"He, like back in 2007 with Kevin Love, does things the old fashioned way with hard work, and that's on the glass, on defense, or with his ability to score, or make the extra pass to an open teammate," said Van Coleman, the national recruiting director for Nothing But Net Magazine.

"Some think he tries to do too much. Stanley does what is asked of him," Coleman added. "He has a college body, and NBA-type body, already. Also, he is willing to do what his coaches want, those are some of the traits that will make him a success at every level in his future!"

Also worth mentioning, Mater Dei has a tradition like no other. On a yearly basis, the school is one of the premier programs in the entire country. Similar to most freshmen, regardless of the status of their team, Johnson was forced to fight and earn playing time with the Monarchs

Once his sophomore season rolled around, he started to open up some eyes. Then, with a more defined role, Johnson began to come into his own and his well-rounded numbers were a reflection of that. He averaged 13 points, seven rebounds, two assists and a pair of steals per game.

It was more of the same a year ago as Johnson emerged as the unquestioned leader over at Mater Dei and finished with 19 points per game, to go along with nine rebounds, two assists and two steals per game. Safe to say that he kept statisticians busy with that kind of production.

As a senior, Johnson became the first player in the history of the Golden State to lead a program to four straight upper-division titles while competing in the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF). It's one of those accomplishments people will talk about for years, and years, to come.

"His four-year high school on-court accomplishments are something that probably aren't going to be equaled for a long time, if at all," Burlison said. "To be a part of a program that won four consecutive state championships, on the toughest level of competition, is amazing enough."

Johnson recently played for USA Basketball on the U16 and U17 teams. Wait, there's more. He is also played for the United States at the Nike Hoop Summit. Participating in the McDonald's All-American Game as well as Jordan Brand Classic are other accomplishments.

Can't forget to mention that he joined current NBA players such as James Harden, Brandon Jennings, John Wall and Harrison Barnes as individuals to earn the most outstanding player at the tradition-rich Pangos All-American Camp. That's some elite company, to say the least.

If the past, and love for basketball at a young age, is any indication of what the future potentially holds, Johnson appears on his way to a promising career. First, in college. Beyond that, possibly in the NBA. Therein lies the key: Sky's the limit for the Nothing But Net Player of the Year.

"I've had a target on my back for a long time, other teams see the name on the back of my jersey and that makes them want to go harder. Still, that stuff only makes me want to be better," Johnson said. "It all started with that one basketball in my hands, and now, the journey continues."

Mother Knows Best



As the saying so often goes: Mother knows best. And the old adage certainly applies to Karen Taylor and the way she raised her son, star-in-the-making Stanley Johnson from Santa Ana (Calif.) Mater Dei.

The well-known recruit in the Class of 2014 developed a love for the game as youth after the matriarch of the family introduced him to things with the hopes of him gravitating to the sport, just like she did.

"I put a basketball in Stanley's hands at age five. He has not let go of it since. The sport has always been his baby," Taylor said. "As a parent, it's nice to see your child develop a passion for something."

She was a talented athlete in her own right. Taylor graduated from Moss Point (Miss.) in the early 1980's. College life followed at Jackson State. Thereafter, she had a successful pro career in Europe.

Once the time came to start a family, Taylor refocused her efforts. Still, she never forgot about her career, which includes a spot in the Tigers Hall of Fame, right next to NFL legend Walter Payton.

"From the beginning, I wanted to help Stanley learn about basketball, inside and out, teach him the game can be a tool to receive an education while becoming a successful student-athlete," Taylor said.

Mission accomplished. Johnson is well on his way to achieving some of the same goals his mother did considering he committed to Arizona and scouts project him as an NBA player a few years from now.

"Knowledge is power. I want my son to enjoy the whole college life first, and then, if the NBA comes calling, we have talked about him going back and earning his degree at some point," Taylor said.

Johnson is the first to admit that he was pointed in the right direction. "I always listen to my mom. She's always been a good example for me and knows what she's talking about from experience," he said.

A full-page action shot of basketball player Emmanuel Mudiay. He is wearing a blue and red jersey with "ANGOS ALL-AMERICA CAMP" printed on it. He is dribbling an orange basketball with his right hand, looking intently towards the basket. A defender in a similar jersey is visible behind him, also looking up. The background shows a gymnasium with spectators and bright overhead lights.

SECOND ROUND

Talk about a match-up nightmare,

Emmanuel Mudiay gives his opponent fits more often than not. And given his size, strength and skill set, the high-profile recruit in the Class of 2014 from Arlington (Tex.) Prime Academy is one of the best in the business on the prep level.

Emmanuel Mudiay

By Sean Ceglinsky

The 6-foot-5 and 195-pound point guard typically towers over his peers. Seeing over the defense rarely, if ever, is a problem for Mudiay. He has unique view of the entire floor. Head and shoulders above the rest, spotting the open man for an assist comes rather naturally to him.

Make no mistake, Mudiay is more than a distributor. He can score when called upon do so. Whether it be knocking down jumpers when left open on the outside, or driving down the lane and settling for a pull-up look, Mudiay understands how to put the ball in the basket.

Keep in mind, we haven't started to discuss his uncanny knack for snatching rebounds off the glass. For a floor general, Mudiay is not afraid to mix it up underneath. Same goes for life on the defensive end of the floor. He's tenacious, a ball-hawk, and always looking for a steal.

Truth be told, some consideration for the Nothing But Net Player of the Year was given to Mudiay. And rightfully so considering his resume. Stanley Johnson from Santa Ana (Calif.) Mater Dei took home the accolade, however. Any other time, the honor is handed to Mudiay.

"His sheer size and strength set him apart from just about every other point guard out there in the Class of 2014," said Frank Burlison, the senior national recruiting analyst for Nothing But Net Magazine who has seen Mudiay in action quite a bit since he first emerged on the radar.

"His skill with the ball, as a handler, passer and scorer, tagged with his knack for asserting those skills when needed most, were other key elements into making him one of the best at the position, anywhere," Burlison added without hesitation when prodded for more about Mudiay.

When it comes to conversations about the nation's premier prospects, his name is frequently mentioned in the same sentence as Johnson. Jahlil Okafor from Chicago (Ill.) Whitney Young and Cliff Alexander from Chicago (Ill.) Curie are the others involved in the debate.

That said, it shouldn't come as a surprise to learn Mudiay was recently one of the nation's most sought-after prospects. Until he committed to SMU back in August. You read that right, he gave his pledge to the Mustangs from Dallas (Tex.). Not exactly a hotbed for hoops.

Keep this in mind, before the decision, Mudiay had close to 20 scholarship offers on the table. Several coming from the country's premier programs, in fact. Kansas and Kentucky were among the potential suitors. Another well-known school, Arizona, attempted to land him.

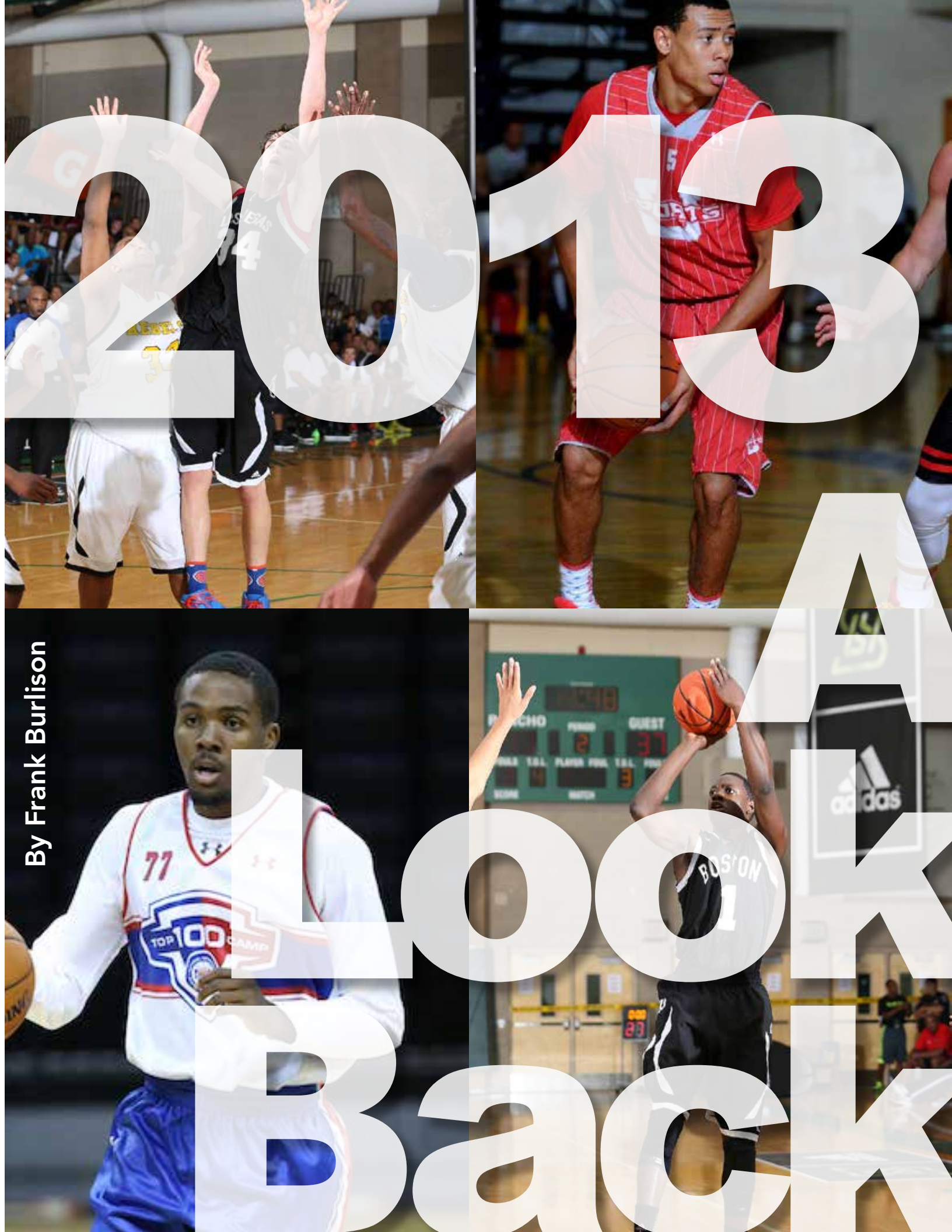
Each attempt at winning him over failed. Staying close to home and playing for coach Larry Brown and the Mustangs was always in the cards. Suppose that's what you do when you're as talented as Mudiay. The destination doesn't necessarily matter. Only the opportunity.

"Emmanuel stunned the basketball world by committing to SMU. He wanted to play for a Hall-of-Famer and Brown will be the key to helping him develop into a future guard in the NBA," said Van Coleman, the national recruiting director for Nothing But Net Magazine.

"Emmanuel is, maybe, the one player who challenged Johnson this past summer," Coleman added. "He can can flat out score with best in his class, from all three zones, or set up the offense and deliver the rock to open man. He can take a game over and run the show like true point."

Mudiay was the most valuable player for the Top 25 Game at the 2013 Pangos All-American Camp. Other players to do so are current NBA stars DeMar DeRozan and Derrick Favors. Mudiay also participated in both the McDonald's All-American Game and Jordan Brand Classic.

"Emmanuel is self-motivated. You don't have to push him, at all. He wants to reach the highest level in college and the pros," Prime Prep coach Ray Forsett said. "I've been around him for a while now, since he was a freshman, I can tell you this about him, the best is yet to come."



By Frank Burlison

Pangos All-American Camp

LONG BEACH, Ca. – The 11th annual Pangos All-American Camp, held at Cabrillo High on the western-most side of Long Beach, was pretty much comparable to the first 10 versions of the Dinos Trigonis-inspired extravaganza:

It was packed to the brim, baby, with some of the very best high school talent in the country, from coast to coast.

That is the reason, of course, that the camp serves as the unofficial “tip-off”, of sorts, to the national summer hoops schedule, and why it attracts such an all-encompassing collection of media-types who cover the high school and grassroots basketball scene on a national basis.



From the opening Friday (May 31) night of action, when point guards Emmanuel Mudiay (Dallas Prime Prep) and Josh Perkins (Huntington, WV, Prep) locked figurative horns during the first set of games, to Sunday afternoon’s all-star games, when those two went head-to-head once more in front of legions of “hoopaholics”, the Cabrillo gymnasium, and its three courts, were always hopping.

How did the camp stack up with previous versions in terms of overall quality of prospects?

Well, that is to be determined. The proof will be in the “pudding” when the 2014 McDonald’s All-American team is announced and, much more significantly, once the 2013 campers get into college and—for some of them—into NBA uniforms.

Along with Mudiay, who continued to build upon the belief of those who think he’s the best point guard in the class with his effort at the camp, there were a multitude of the other elite perimeter players on display.

Foremost among those was Stanley Johnson of Santa Ana (CA) Mater Dei – arguably the best scorer among all players in the Class of 2014—as well as the Bellflower (CA) St. John Bosco duo of Daniel Hamilton and Tyler Dorsey.

Also falling smack-dab in that category was Rashad Vaughn, a Minnesota resident who announced about a month after the camp that he would be spending his senior season as a member of the high-power Henderson (NV) Findlay Prep program.

Good big guys? Hell yeah! There was a bunch of them.

The most notable of those was not-so-shockingly-enough—was Stephen Zimmerman of Las Vegas Bishop Gorman.

His Saturday night, drive-the-right-baseline-and-bang-over-Ildrissa Diallo was the most spectacular moment of the weekend—from my perspective (and Zimmerman’s, I’m sure, as well).

He was one of the reasons why the camp could make a strong claim for having the best prospects in all four classes:

2014: Mudiay or Johnson.

2015: Zimmerman or Dorsey.

2016: Seven-footer Thon Maker (Martinsville, VA, Carlisle School).

2017: Six-ten DeAndre Ayton (who was living in San Diego at the time and, for now, has returned to his native Bahamas).

My camp award winners:

Most Outstanding Players: 1. Mudiay; 2. Stanley Johnson; 3. Zimmerman.

Best scorers: 1. Stanley Johnson; 2. Dorsey; 3. Hamilton.

Best rebounders: 1. Zimmerman; 2. Thomas Welsh (Los Angeles Loyola); 3. Jacob Hammond (Oklahoma City United Prep).

Best playmakers: 1. Mudiay; 2. Perkins; 3. Alex Robinson (Arlington, TX, Mansfield Timberview).

Best defenders: 1. Dwayne Morgan (Baltimore St. Francis); 2. Zimmerman; 3. Maker.

Most versatile frontcourt players: 1. Chris McCullough (Wolfeboro, NH, Brewster Academy); 2. Brekkott Chapman (Roy, UT); 3. Zimmerman.

Biggest surprises: 1. Jaylen Johnson (Ypsilanti, MI); 2. Michael Humphrey (Phoenix Sunnyslope); 3. Jabari Craig (Atlanta Tucker).

Top 20 Class of 2014 (listed alphabetically):

- Brekkott Chapman (6-foot-7/Roy, UT);
- Dominique Collier (6-3/Denver East);
- Jabari Craig (6-10/Atlanta Tucker);
- Leon Gilmore (6-7/Fresno, TX, Manvel);
- Daniel Hamilton (6-7/Bellflower, CA, St. John Bosco);
- Jacob Hammond (6-9/Oklahoma City United Prep);
- Michael Humphrey (6-9/Phoenix Sunnyslope);
- Jaylen Johnson (6-9/Ypsilanti, MI);
- Stanley Johnson (6-6/Santa Ana, CA, Mater Dei);
- Trey Kell (6-3/San Diego St. Augustine);
- Terry Larrier (6-8/Malverne, PA, Phelps School);
- Jalen Lindsey (6-6/Huntington, WV, Prep);
- Chris McCullough (6-9/Wolfeboro, NH, Brewster Academy);
- Dwayne Morgan (6-7/Baltimore St. Francis);
- Emmanuel Mudiay (6-3/Dallas Prime Prep);
- Josh Perkins (6-3/Huntington, WV, Prep);
- Rashad Vaughn (6-5/Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep);
- Craig Victor (6-8/Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep);
- Devin Watson (6-0/San Diego Army-Navy);
- Thomas Welsh (6-11/Los Angeles Loyola).

Top 10 Underclassmen (listed alphabetically):

- Carlton Bragg (6-9/Cleveland St. Joseph/2015);
- Isaiah Briscoe (6-2/Roselle, NJ/’15);
- Marquese Chriss (6-8/Elk Grove, CA, Pleasant Grove/’15);
- Tyler Dorsey (6-4/Bellflower, CA, St. John Bosco/’15);
- Leland Green (6-2/Redondo Beach, CA, Redondo/’16);
- Chase Jeter (6-8/Las Vegas Bishop Gorman/’15);
- Thon Maker (7-0/Martinsville, VA, Carlisle School/’16);
- Rex Pflueger (6-5/Santa Ana, CA, Mater Dei/’15);
- Elijah Thomas (6-8/Lancaster, TX/’15);
- Stephen Zimmerman (6-10/Las Vegas Bishop Gorman/’15).

NBPA Top 100 Camp

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. – The key numbers for the 2013 National Basketball Players Association Top 100 Camp were “20” and “32”.

It was the 20th version of the camp, held June 12-15 on the floor of the University of Virginia’s spacious and immaculate John Paul Jones Arena.

And 32 was the number of points scored by Ja’Quan Newton (Philadelphia Neumann-Goretti) in a dominant performance while leading the Celtics past the Mavericks, 81-67, in the camp championship game on the final evening of competition.

Newton helped the Celtics to seven victories in as many games and thoroughly out-played another of the camp’s – and Class of 2014’s – top point guards, Josh Perkins, in the championship finale.

The University of Miami-bound Newton didn’t have to (figuratively) go it alone, of course.

Lending him a strong helping hand (well, to be precise, four of them) was the power-rebounding duo of Cheick Diallo – selected the camp’s top player by the camp’s John Lucas-led personnel committee, of which I’m a member – and Reid Travis.



Diallo, who first got a big hunk of national attention during the December (2012) Jerry Tarkanian Invitational at Bishop Gorman High in Las Vegas with his Centerreach, NY, Our Savior team, earned himself a spot into any, hence-forth, discussions regarding the No. 1 prospect in the national Class of 2015.

Travis, a key member of the Minneapolis De La Salle squad that should be among the most gifted – and best, period – non-“prep school” squads during 2013-14, put himself on track for strong 2014 McDonald’s All-American consideration with his performance.

Another candidate for tops-in-2015 honors also had a tremendous week of action in JPJ Arena.

Stephen Zimmerman of Las Vegas Bishop Gorman – who also turned in a terrific performance a few weeks earlier at the Pangos All-American Camp – demonstrated his impressive set of skills as a scorer, passer, rebounder and shot blocker.

There was not a better collection of 2014 centers anywhere over the summer, either.

The most notable of those were Myles Turner, Elbert Robinson Jr., Karl Towns Jr., Isaac Haas, Chinanu Onuako and Trayvon Reed.

Turner, in particular, positioned himself to be the most significant threat to Jahlil Okafor’s status as the top-ranked “5” in the Class of 2014.

A couple of power forwards without much in the way of “national reps”, Angel Delgado and Abdul Malik-Abu, earned a lot of second and third looks from the dozens of Internet reporters and scouting service folks in the stands with their competitiveness in and around the lane.

Two wings from the Houston area, Justin Jackson and Kelly Oubre Jr., continued to show why they are among the very best scorers in the Class of 2014.

The camp also had its usual fine collection of current and former NBA players working the camp, including the two “Andres” – Miller and Iguodala.

My camp award winners:

Most Outstanding Players: 1. Cheick Diallo (Centerreach, NY, Our Savior); 2. Justin Jackson (Houston Home-schooled); 3. Ja’Quan Newton (Philadelphia Neumann-Goretti).

Best scorers: 1. Jackson; 2. Kelly Oubre Jr. (Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep); 3. Newton.

Best rebounders: 1. Diallo; 2. Myles Turner (Euless, TX, Trinity); 3. Reid Travis (Minneapolis De La Salle).

Best playmakers: 1. Joel Berry (Orlando, FL, Lake Highland Prep); 2. Quentin Snider (Louisville Ballard); 3. Parker Jackson-Cartwright (Los Angeles Loyola).

Best defenders: 1. Turner; 2. Theo Pinson (Greensboro, NC, Wesleyan); 3. Travis.

Most versatile frontcourt players: 1. Kevon Looney (Milwaukee Hamilton); 2. Brekkott Chapman (Roy, UT); 3. Jackson.

Biggest surprises: 1. Robert Johnson (Richmond, VA, Benedictine); 2. Angel Delgado (Huntington, WV, Prep); 3. Isaac Haas (Hokes Bluff, AL).

Top 20 Class of 2014 (listed alphabetically):

- Keita Bates-Diop (6-7/Bloomington, IL, University);
- Joel Berry (6-1/Orlando, FL, Lake Highland Prep);
- James Blackmon Jr. (6-3/Marion, IN);
- Brekkott Chapman (6-7/Roy, UT);
- Angel Delgado (6-8/Huntington, WV, Prep);
- Justin Jackson (6-7/Houston Home-schooled);
- Tadrack Jackson (6-2/Tifton, GA, Tift County);
- Parker Jackson-Cartwright (5-8/Los Angeles Loyola);
- Robert Johnson (6-3/Richmond, VA, Benedictine);
- Kevon Looney (6-7/Milwaukee Hamilton);
- Ja’Quan Newton (6-2/Philadelphia Neumann-Goretti);
- Kelly Oubre Jr. (6-7/Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep);
- Theo Pinson (6-6/Greensboro, NC, Wesleyan);
- Elbert Robinson Jr. (7-0/Garland, TX, Lakeview Christian);
- D’Angelo Russell (6-4/Montverde, FL, Academy);
- Quentin Snider (6-2/Louisville Ballard);
- Reid Travis (6-7/Minneapolis De La Salle);
- Myles Turner (6-11/Euless, TX, Trinity);
- Craig Victor (6-8/Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep);
- Isaiah Whitehead (6-4/Brooklyn Lincoln).

Top 10 Underclassmen (listed alphabetically):

- Isaiah Briscoe (6-2/Roselle, NJ, Catholic/2015);
- Jalen Brunson (6-2/Lincolnshire, IL, Stevenson/’15);
- Cheick Diallo (6-8/Centerreach, NY, Our Savior/’15);
- Tyler Dorsey (6-4/Bellflower, CA, St. John Bosco/’15);
- Brandon Ingram (6-7/Kinston, NC/’15);
- Derrick Jones (6-6/Radnor, PA, Archbishop Carroll/’15);
- Josh Langford (6-6/Madison, AL, Academy/’16);
- Skal Labissiere (6-9/Memphis Evangelical Christian/’15);
- Charles Matthews (6-5/Chicago St. Rita/’15);
- Stephen Zimmerman (6-10/Las Vegas Bishop Gorman/’15).

LeBron Skills Camp

LAS VEGAS – The third and last of the summer “mega-national camps”, held just a few miles northwest of the “Strip”, was once again fronted by the greatest player in the world.

And LeBron James, just a couple of weeks removed from leading Miami to a second championship in a row and a few months from getting married, was on hand for a big portion of the July 6-8 “Skills Academy” tagged to his name, watching some of the very best prep players while they played in his line of gear.

He may have skipped the Pangos All-America and National Basketball Players Association Top 100 camps but Cliff Alexander was on hand to play – and dominate – in front of one of the most physically dominating players ever.

And although Alexander doesn’t begin to possess the skill as a ball handler, passer, scorer, defender and leader owned by James (does anyone?), he made like LeBron in one way over the three days. Alexander played with James-like power and determination when he got the ball in the post or within a dribble of the lane. He crushed anyone with the foolishness to get his hand – or any part of his body – between Alexander and the rim.

The Chicago Curie student is the consensus choice as the No. 1 power forward prospect in the Class of 2014.



But Reid Travis (Minneapolis De La Salle) wasn’t about to concede that tag to Alexander just quite yet. As he did in Charlottesville during the NBPA Camp, Travis played with the strength, poise and maturity of a 10-year NBA veteran, perhaps not elevating near as high as Alexander and 2015 standout Cheick Diallo did while snatching rebounds but coming down with every bit as many of them as they did.

The camp’s depth wasn’t up to its usual standard, in large part because so many players showed up injured (including point guard Josh Perkins and swingman Devin Booker) or were hurt early in drills (including two of the best posts in the Class of 2014, Texans Myles Turner and Elbert Robinson Jr.).

But even healthy, Perkins and Booker would have been hard-pressed to outplay many of the point guards and wings in the camp.

Joel Berry, Quentin Snider and Parker Jackson-Cartwright turned in terrific three-day performances at PG, impressing just as much as they did in Charlottesville.

And the four-best “scoring wings” in the Class of 2014 did their respective things over three days.

Stanley Johnson scored with the same ease as he demonstrated at the Pangos All-American Camp in Long Beach – as was the case with Rashad Vaughn. And Justin Jackson and Kelly Oubre Jr. were just as productive as they were in Charlottesville.

My camp award winners:

Most Outstanding Players: 1. Cliff Alexander (Chicago Curie); 2. Cheick Diallo (Centerreach, NY, Our Savior); 3. Stanley Johnson (Santa Ana, CA, Mater Dei).

Best scorers: 1. Justin Jackson (Houston Home-schooled); 2. S. Johnson; 3. Kelly Oubre Jr. (Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep).

Best rebounders: 1. Diallo; 2. Reid Travis (Minneapolis De La Salle); 3. Alexander.

Best playmakers: 1. Joel Berry (Orlando, FL, Lake Highland Prep); 2. Quentin Snider (Louisville Ballard); 3. Parker Jackson-Cartwright (Los Angeles Loyola).

Best defenders: 1. Theo Pinson (Greensboro, NC, Wesleyan); 2. Ivan Rabb (Oakland, CA, Bishop O’Dowd); 3. Diallo.

Most versatile frontcourt players: 1. Chris McCullough (Wolfeboro, NH, Brewster Academy); 2. Kevon Looney (Milwaukee Hamilton); 3. Kameron Chatman (Portland, OR, Columbia Christian).

Biggest surprises: 1. Justin Coleman (Birmingham, AL, Wenonah); 2. William Lee (Plantersville, AL, Dallas County); 3. Eric Davis (Saginaw, MI, Arthur Hill).

Top 20 Class of 2014 (listed alphabetically):

- Cliff Alexander (6-8/Chicago Curie);
- Joel Berry (6-1/Orlando, FL, Lake Highland Prep);
- Kameron Chatman (6-6/Portland, OR, Columbia Christian);
- Justin Coleman (5-10/Birmingham, AL, Wenonah);
- Daniel Hamilton (6-7/Bellflower, CA, St. John Bosco);
- Justin Jackson (6-7/Houston Home-schooled);
- Parker Jackson-Cartwright (5-8/Los Angeles Loyola);
- Robert Johnson (6-3/Richmond, VA, Benedictine);
- William Lee (6-8/Plantersville, AL, Dallas County);
- Kevon Looney (6-7/Milwaukee Hamilton);
- Chris McCullough (6-9/Wolfeboro, NH, Brewster Academy);
- Jordan McLaughlin (6-1/Etiwanda, CA);
- Kelly Oubre Jr. (6-7/Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep);
- Theo Pinson (6-6/Greensboro, NC, Wesleyan);
- D’Angelo Russell (6-4/Montverde, FL, Academy);
- Quentin Snider (6-2/Louisville Ballard);
- Reid Travis (6-7/Minneapolis De La Salle);
- Tyler Ulis (5-8/Chicago Heights, IL, Marian Catholic);
- Rashad Vaughn (6-5/Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep);
- Isaiah Whitehead (6-4/Brooklyn Lincoln).

Top 10 Underclassmen (listed alphabetically):

- Isaiah Briscoe (6-2/Roselle, NJ, Catholic/2015);
- Jaylen Brown (6-6/Marietta, GA, Wheeler/’15);
- Jalen Brunson (6-2/Lincolnshire, IL, Stevenson/’15)
- Eric Davis (6-3/Saginaw, MI, Arthur Hill/’15).
- Cheick Diallo (6-8/Centerreach, NY, Our Savior/’15);
- Thon Maker (7-0/Martinsville, VA, Carlisle/’16);
- Charles Matthews (6-5/Chicago St. Rita/’15);
- Malik Newman (6-3/Jackson, MS, Callaway/’15);
- Ivan Rabb (6-9/Oakland, CA, Bishop O’Dowd/’15);
- Diamond Stone (6-9/Whitefish Bay, WI, Dominican/’15).

Las Vegas Fab 48

LAS VEGAS – The 2013 Fab 48 proved fabulous, all right – especially for a group of young men from the metropolitan Washington, DC area.

The DC Assault club, led and steadied by the play of University of Maryland-bound point guard Romelo Trimble, maneuvered its way through a deep field of teams loaded with some of the better players in the country to ultimately knock off Dallas-based Deron Williams-Pope, 60-56, in the 17-under championship game at Bishop Gorman High on July 28.

How tough was that figurative road that Trimble & Co. had to figuratively hoe?

In the bracket play quarterfinals, they had to rally from a double-figure deficit to knock off the New York's Juice All-Stars and their McDonald's All-American, Isaiah Whitehead.

In the semifinals they barely held off Wisconsin's Ray Allen Select (51-48), which featured the best collection of jump shooters on any team that played in any of the Las Vegas July evaluation events.

Trimble had plenty of muscle on his side to help with the heavy lifting, largely (pun intended) by way of 6-foot-10 Chinanu Onuaku and 6-8 Donte Grantham.

It was part of the "Fab 48" bracketing, per se, but things got off to a dazzling start at Bishop Gorman on the evening of July 24 with the eight-game, Fab 48 Tipoff Challenge.



There might have been a couple of dozen future McDonald's All-American selections participating.

And the haymaker of the evening – yeah, it knocked everyone in attendance for a loop – was the clash between Belmont Shore and Mo Williams Elite.

Belmont Shore – with a couple of big helping hands from Gorman standout center Stephen Zimmerman, who played the rest of the week with Dream Vision in the adidas Super 64 – held off MWE, 101-93.

It was arguably the most entertaining grass roots game of the spring or summer, as Zimmerman and the Bellflower, CA, St. John Bosco duo of Daniel Hamilton and Tyler Dorsey, and Emmanuel Mudiay and Malik Newman of MWE demonstrated offensive skills that exceed all but a few non-college or NBA players.

Dorsey (35) and Hamilton combined for 66 points while Newman (32) and Mudiay went for 63. Zimmerman showed why he's the No. 1 prospect in the 2015 class (at least in my oh-so-humble opinion) with 21 points, 11 rebounds and seven blocked shots.

The evening also included a clash between the top-two centers in the Class of 2014, with Myles Turner and Texas Select edging Jahlil Okafor and Chicago's Mac Irvin.

And, following on the heels of his eye-opening performance at the Pangos All-American Camp in Long Beach, Los Angeles Loyola's Thomas Welsh (playing for the L.A. Rockfish) also used the Fab 48 as another platform on which to demonstrate why he, too, is one of the very best big men in the Class of 2014.

My Fab 48 award winners:

Most Outstanding Players: 1. Emmanuel Mudiay (Mo Williams Elite); 2. Romelo Trimble (DC Assault); 3. Tyler Dorsey (Belmont Shore).

Best scorers: 1. Mudiay; 2. Dorsey; 3. Malik Newman (Mo Williams Elite).

Best rebounders: 1. Thomas Welsh (L.A. Rockfish); 2. Payton Dastrup (Nevada Select); 3. Myles Turner (Texas Select).

Best playmakers: 1. Trimble; 2. Mudiay; 3. Jordan McLaughlin (Prodigy Elite).

Best defenders: 1. Turner; 2. Chinanu Onuaku (DC Assault); 3. Evan Wardlow (Double Pump All-Stars).

Most versatile frontcourt players: 1. Brekkott Chapman (Utah Prospects); 2. Dedric Lawson (Penny All-Stars); 3. DJ Wilson (Team Superstar).

Biggest surprises: 1. Riley LaChance (Ray Allen Select); 2. Darrell Davis (Michigan Hurricanes); 3. JD Miller (Texas Select).

Top 20 Class of 2014 (listed alphabetically):

- Bryan Alberts (6-4/BIT Select/Sun Valley, CA, Village Christian);
- Payton Dastrup (6-9/Nevada Select/Mesa, AZ, Mountain View);
- Darrell Davis (6-3/Michigan Hurricanes/Detroit Fredrick);
- Brady Ellingson (6-3/Ray Allen Select/Sussex, WI, Hamilton);
- Donte Grantham (6-8/DC Assault/Chatham, VA, Hargrave Military Academy);
- Daniel Hamilton (6-7/Belmont Shore/Bellflower, CA, St. John Bosco);
- Chandler Hutchison (6-6/Team Eastbay/Mission Viejo, CA);
- Trey Kell (6-4/San Diego All-Stars/San Diego, CA, St. Augustine);
- Riley LaChance (6-3/Ray Allen Select/Brookfield, WI Central);
- Jordan McLaughlin (6-1/Prodigy Elite/Etiwanda, CA);
- Emmanuel Mudiay (6-3/Mo Williams Elite/Dallas Prime Prep);
- Erick Neal (5-9/Deron Williams Elite/Dallas Lincoln);
- Omar Sherman (6-8/Deron Williams Elite/Dallas Prime Prep);
- Quentin Snider (6-3/Louisville Magic/Louisville Ballard);
- Romelo Trimble (6-3/DC Assault/Arlington, VA, O'Connell);
- Myles Turner (6-11/Texas Select/Euless, TX, Trinity);
- Rashad Vaughn (6-5/Nothing But Net/Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep);
- Devin Watson (6-0/Earl Watson Pangos Elite/San Diego Army-Navy);
- Thomas Welsh (6-11/L.A. Rockfish/Los Angeles Loyola);
- Isaiah Whitehead (6-4/Juice All-Stars/Brooklyn Lincoln)

Top 10 Underclassmen (alphabetically):

- Chance Comanche (6-10/Elite Prospects/L.A. View Park/2015);
- Tyler Dorsey (6-4/Belmont Shore/Bellflower, CA, St. John Bosco/'15);
- Leland Green (6-2/Pangos Elite 2016/Redondo Beach, CA, Redondo/'16);
- Dedric Lawson (6-8/Penny All-Stars/Memphis Hamilton/'16);
- JD Miller (6-6/Texas Select/Dallas Seagoville/'15);
- Malik Newman (6-3/Mo Williams Elite/Jackson, MS, Callaway/'15);
- Zac Seljass (6-6/Utah Prospects 16s/Bountiful, UT/'15);
- Ray Smith (6-6/Las Vegas Prospects 16s/Las Vegas HS/'15);
- Horace Spencer (6-9/New Jersey Gym Rats/Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep/'15);
- Stephen Thompson Jr. (6-3/Superior Athletes/Torrance, CA, Bishop Montgomery/'15).

adidas Super 64

LAS VEGAS – A New York-based New Heights team, led by several post-high school graduates – including Most Outstanding Player Jerome Washington, who enrolled at a community college after the tournament – captured the 17s championship bracket of the adidas Super 64 at Rancho High on July 28.

But the most compelling thing about the 2013 version of the event was the depth and quality of players from the Classes of 2015 and 2016 that made such an impact.

And the program that made its presence most felt in that regard was the Southern California-based Compton Magic.

Its 16s and 15s team won respective division championships, with 2015 players Rex Pflueger (Santa Ana, CA, Mater Dei) and Cameron Walker (Santa Maria, CA, Righetti) sharing Most Outstanding Player honors for the Magic's 16s championship club and 2016 point guard Dikymbe Martin (Riverside, CA, JW North) getting the nod for the Magic in the 15s division.

A player some analysts believe is the top overall prospect in the Class of 2016, Josh Jackson (Detroit Consortium), had an outstanding week for the Dorian's Pride squad in the 17s division.



And two of the best jump shooters in that class, Eron Gordon (Indianapolis North Central) and Maverick Rowan (Midland, PA, Lincoln Park), were also among the very best of the players in the event, regardless of division.

Stephen Zimmerman, who didn't have to stay in a hotel during the competition (he attends Bishop Gorman in Las Vegas), is the No. 1 prospect in the Class of 2015 and he did his thing for Dream Vision (after playing for Belmont Shore on Wednesday night during the Fab 48 Showcase in high school prep gymnasium).

And it's not exactly as if the Class of 2014 didn't have solid representation during the five days.

Forward Craig Victor (who is spending his senior year at Findlay Prep in Henderson NV) helped his hometown New Orleans Elite to the Sweet 16 of the 17s (where it lost to New Heights).

Another of the best forwards in the Class of 2014, Kevon Looney (Milwaukee Rebels), led the Milwaukee Running Rebels to the 17s title game (where they lost, 82-75).

And swingman Brandone Francis (Jacksonville, FL, Arlington Country Day) was the linchpin as his Florida Elite squad was bounced in the Round of 16 in the 17s division.

The Utah Pump-N-Run Red squad took the 17s Gold Bracket championship back to Salt Lake City with it, as Salt Lake City Highland guard Jake Connor earned the MOP hardware.

My adidas Super 64 award winners:

Most Outstanding Players: 1. Stephen Zimmerman (Dream Vision); 2. Kevon Looney (Milwaukee Running Rebels); 3. Craig Victor (New Orleans Elite).

Best scorers: 1. Looney; 2. Brandone Francis (Florida Elite); 3. Zimmerman.

Best rebounders: 1. Zimmerman; 2. Markel Lodge (Team Loaded-Virginia); 3. Goodluck Okonoboh (Mass Rivals).

Best playmakers: 1. Kaleb Joseph (Mass Rivals); 2. Hyron Edwards (Indiana Elite-Team Indiana); 3. Sed Barefield (Compton Magic 16s).

Best defenders: 1. Okonoboh; 2. Lodge; 3. Jeremie Tyler (Indiana Elite 2014).

Most versatile frontcourt players: 1. Josh Jackson (Dorian's Pride); 2. Looney; 3. Jaylen Johnson (Dorian's Pride).

Biggest surprises: 1. Lodge; 2. Ian Theisen (D1 Minnesota 17s); 3. Jamal Poplar (Michigan Mustangs).

Top 20 Class of 2014 (listed alphabetically):

- Isaiah Bailey (6-5/Compton Magic Elite/Compton, CA);
- Brisby Brown (6-0/MBA Hoops/Jackson, MS, Forest Hill);
- David Burrell (6-6/Milwaukee Rebels/Milwaukee Hamilton);
- Jake Connor (6-3/Utah Pump-N-Run/Salt Lake City Highland);
- Isaac Copeland (6-8/Garner Road Elite/Charlottesville, VA, Miller School);
- Damiyne Dunham (6-5/Franchise All-Stars/Oakwood, TX);
- Brandone Francis (6-5/Florida Elite/Jacksonville, FL, Arlington Country Day);
- Ronnie Harrell (6-7/Billups Elite/Denver East);
- Jaylen Johnson (6-9/Dorian's Pride/Ypsilanti, MI);
- Kaleb Joseph (6-3/Mass Rivals/Ashburnham, MA, Cushing);
- Markel Lodge (6-6/Team Loaded-Virginia/Creedmoor, NC, Christian Faith Academy);
- Kevon Looney (6-7/Milwaukee Rebels/Milwaukee Hamilton);
- Goodluck Okonoboh (6-9/Mass Rivals/Wilbraham, MA, Wilbraham & Monson);
- Jeremiah Paige (6-3/Colorado Hawks/Aurora, CO, Rangeview);
- Jamal Poplar (6-8/Michigan Mustangs/Des Moines, IA, Kingdom Prep Academy);
- Ahmaad Rorie (6-1/Team Bradley-Northwest Panthers/Montverde, FL, Academy);
- Ian Theisen (6-9/D1 Minnesota 17s/Osseo, MN);
- Jeremie Tyler (6-2/Indiana Elite 2014/Indianapolis, IN, Tech);
- Craig Victor (6-8/New Orleans Elite/Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep);
- Tony Vuyancih (6-3/Ohio Basketball Club/Cleveland St. Edward).

Top 10 Underclassmen (listed alphabetically):

- Sedrick Barefield (6-1/Compton Magic 16s/Corona, CA, Centennial; 2015);
- Hyron Edwards (6-0/Indiana Elite-Team Indiana/East Chicago, IN, Central; '15);
- Henry Ellenson (6-9/D1 Minnesota 16s/Rice Lake, WI/'15);
- Eron Gordon (6-2/Eric Gordon All-Stars/Indianapolis North Central/'16);
- Josh Jackson (6-6/Dorian's Pride/Detroit Consortium/'16);
- Mario Kegler (6-6/MBC/Jackson, MS, Callaway/'16);
- Dikymbe Martin (6-0/Compton Magic 15s/Riverside, CA, North/'16);
- Rex Pflueger (6-5/Compton Magic 16s/Santa Ana, CA, Mater Dei/'15);
- Maverick Rowan (6-4/Ohio Basketball Club 16s/Midland, PA, Lincoln Park/'16);
- Stephen Zimmerman (6-10/Dream Vision/Las Vegas Bishop Gorman/'15).

adidas Nations

LONG BEACH, Ca. – The best – or one of the two-best, depending on your perspective – point guard in the Class of 2014 never got off the bench for the USA 2014 Blue squad during the adidas Nations.

Emmanuel Mudiay, the co-Most Outstanding Player at the event a year ago, wasn't able to play for Coach Don MacLean for a second consecutive year because of a leg injury.

Not to worry, though:

Enough other fellows performed to or beyond expectations to help the team pull out the championship victory, 81-77 over its Red counterpart on the evening of Aug. 5 at Long Beach City College.

The first three days of competition (games and practices, involving both eight teams of high school-aged players and four squads of college players) were held at the Next Level Sports Complex in Garden Grove, some 10 miles or so east of the LBCC gymnasium.

MacLean, the former UCLA and NBA forward who is now one of the best TV and radio basketball analysts in the business, and assistant Joe Wootten (Arlington, VA, O'Connell) got exceptional "point guard by committee" with Mudiay reduced to a cheerleader/"student assistant" role of sorts.



D'Angelo Russell (Louisville Ballard), Romelo Trimble (who plays for Wootten at O'Connell) and Ahmaad Rorie (Montverde, FL, Academy) all took a pop at running the offense when they were on the floor.

But it was the left-handed Russell (who is committed to Ohio State) who made the biggest impact during the 6-0 performance over three four days, especially in the championship victory.

He only scored 11 points in the finale but his floor leadership and his second-half defensive performance against Stanley Johnson, one of the top offensive players in prep hoops, proved key elements for the victory.

Johnson scored 15 points in the first half, including a 3-pointer at the buzzer that put the Red up at intermission, 38-32.

But Russell took the assignment to slow down Johnson in the second half and helped do just that as Johnson – alternately denied the ball and then use of his dominant right-handed dribble by Russell – missed all seven of his shots from the field.

Besides the quality performances out of his backcourt, MacLean also had two of the best power forwards in the Class of 2014 – Reid Travis and Trey Lyles – as well as top-flight center Myles Turner as key elements to the squad.

Neither Turner nor another shot-blocker – Chinanu Onuaku – could do much with the Red's Jahlil Okafor, though.

Nor could anyone else throughout the event, come to think of it.

The biggest surprise of the long weekend, though, was the play of Team Africa, which lost only narrow decisions to the 2014 USA squads before knocking off USA 2015 Red, 69-56, in the third-place game.

My adidas Nations award winners:

Most Outstanding Players: 1. D'Angelo Russell (USA 2014 Blue); 2. Jahlil Okafor (USA 2014 Red); 3. Stanley Johnson (USA 2014 Red).

Best scorers: 1. S. Johnson; 2. Okafor; 3. Sidy Ndir (Team Africa).

Best rebounders: 1. Michael Nzei (Team Africa); 2. Reid Travis USA 2014 Blue); 3. Okafor.

Best playmakers: 1. Russell; 2. Romelo Trimble (USA 2014 Blue); 3. Ndir.

Best defenders: 1. Theo Pinson (USA 2014 Blue); 2. Russell; 3. Myles Turner (USA 2014 Blue).

Most versatile frontcourt players: 1. Josh Jackson (USA 2015-16 Blue); 2. Trey Lyles (USA 2014 Blue); 3. Jalen Johnson (USA 2014 Red).

Biggest surprises: 1. Sidy Ndir (Team Africa); 2. Moustapha Diagne (USA 2015-16 Blue); 3. Dejan Vasiljevic (Team Australia).

Top 20 Class of 2014 (alphabetically):

- Braian Angola (6-6/Latin America/Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep);
- Trevon Bluiett (6-6/USA 2014 Red/Indianapolis Tudor);
- Jonah Bolden (6-8/Team Australia/Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep);
- Andrey Desyatnikov (7-1/Team Europe/Russia);
- Papa Sadia Ndiaye Diatte (6-8/Africa/Senegal);
- Daniel Hamilton (6-7/USA 2014 Blue/Bellflower, CA, St. John Bosco);
- Stanley Johnson(6-6/USA 2014 Red/Santa Ana, CA, Mater Dei);
- Kaleb Joseph (6-3/USA 2014 Red/Ashburnham, MA, Cushing);
- Mikhail Kulagin (6-3/Team Europe/Russia);
- Kevon Looney (6-7/USA 2014 Red/Milwaukee Hamilton);
- Trey Lyles (6-9/USA 2014 Blue/Indianapolis Tech);
- Sidy Ndir (6-3/Team Africa/Orlando, FL, West Oaks Academy);
- Michael Nzei (6-7/Team Africa/Centerreach, NY, Our Savior);
- Jahlil Okafor (6-10/USA 2014 Red/Chicago Whitney Young);
- Chinanu Onuaku (6-10/USA 2014 Blue/Upper Marlboro, MD, Riverdale Baptist);
- Theo Pinson (6-6/USA 2014 Blue/Greensboro, NC, Wesleyan);
- D'Angelo Russell (6-3/USA 2014 Blue/Louisville Ballard);
- Reid Travis (6-7/USA 2014 Blue/Minneapolis DeLaSalle);
- Romelo Trimble (6-3/USA 2014 Blue/Arlington, VA, O'Connell);
- Myles Turner (6-11/USA 2014 Blue/Euless, TX, Trinity)

Top 10 Underclassmen (listed alphabetically):

- Carlton Bragg(6-8/USA 2015-16 Blue/Cleveland St. Joseph/2015);
- DeRon Davis (6-8/USA 2015-16 Red/Aurora, CO, Overland/'16);
- Moustapha Diagne (6-9/USA 2015-16 Blue/2015);
- Henry Ellenson (6-9/USA 2015-16 Red/Rice Lake, WI/'15);
- Josh Jackson (6-6/USA 2015-16 Blue/Detroit Consortium/'15);
- Chase Jeter (6-9/USA 2015-16 Red/Las Vegas Bishop Gorman/'15);
- Mario Kegler (6-6/USA 2015-16 Blue/Jackson, MS, Callaway/'16);
- Malik Newman (6-3/USA 2015-16 Red/Jackson, MS, Callaway/'15);
- Dejan Vasiljevic (5-11/Team Australia/Melbourne/'15)
- Stephen Zimmerman (6-10/USA 2015-16 Red/Las Vegas Bishop Gorman/'15).

Grassroots Game of the Summer

LAS VEGAS – It might have just been the opening night of the third and final week of the NCAA's 2013 summer evaluation period.

But the scene in the Bishop Gorman High gymnasium on the evening of July 24 also had the feel – and look – of the lobby of the National Association of Basketball Coaches' Association hotel on a NCAA Final Four Weekend.

In strolled Hall of Fame Coach Roy Williams of North Carolina and assistant Steve Robinson.

Moments later another Hall of Fame member, Mike Krzyzewski of Duke, followed with assistant Steve Wojciechowski and waded through the members of the crowd who were trying to wedge their way into spots in the bleachers that were growing sparser by the moment.

Another Hall of Fame coach and veteran of both Atlantic Coast Conference and NBA battles – Larry Brown, now of Southern Methodist University – also was spotted shaking hands and exchanging nods with fellow coaches and fans alike as he, too sought a seat in strategic spot behind one of the baskets at the end of the court where the Belmont Shore and Mo Williams Elite clubs were about to hook up as part of the Fab 48 Tip-Off Challenge.

The Naismith Hall of Fame representation wasn't complete – there was Rick Pitino of recently crowned national champion Louisville, en tow with one of his assistants, Wyking Jones.

They, and the likes of Sean Miller (Arizona), Billy Donovan (Florida), Bill Self (Kansas) and dozens of other head honchos – along with every recruiting analyst and Internet hoops geek, laptops, iPads and rosters en tow – were part of a crowd that witnessed, along with seven other contests that were on tap for the evening, what proved to be the most talked-about game of the spring and travel circuit.

Belmont Shore eventually pulled out a 101-93 victory and the buzz – not only in the Gaels' gym, but in every other hoops facility the rest of the summer – couldn't have been more succinct afterward.

The Bellflower (CA) St. John Bosco High dynamic duo of senior Daniel Hamilton (31) and junior Tyler Dorsey (35) combined for 66 points to counter the senior-

junior combo of Emmanuel Mudiay (32) and Malik Newman (31) that Mo Williams Elite presented.

Hamilton showed off the skills that make him one of the more versatile members of the Class of 2014 while Mudiay convinced a lot of people that evening that he's the No. 1 point guard in the senior class.

And if Newman was the consensus choice of the recruitaholics who showed up for the event, Dorsey's performance gave them serious reason to reconsider that notion.

But all of the post-game euphoria wasn't restricted to the boatload of jumpers and nifty drives to the rim produced by the hoops firm of Dorsey, Hamilton, Mudiay and Newman.

Stephen Zimmerman of Bishop Gorman High was the linchpin of the Dream Vision team that was participating in the adidas Super 64 at the northern end of town (at Rancho High) but renewed his Belmont Shore "roots" (he's made appearances at Dinos Trigonis' Pangos All-American Camp and many other Trigonis events since he was an eighth grader) for the game against Mo Williams Elite.

And he delivered the goods that what would expect from a player rated by many as the No. 1 post in the Class of 2015, scoring 21 points, grabbing 11 rebounds and slapping away seven Mo Williams Elite shots.

If decision makers at ESPN had a bit more foresight to send a broadcast crew to Bishop Gorman that night, it might have been replayed a dozen times by now.

It was about as good a demonstration of an "instant classic" as can be found in the milieu that is "grassroots basketball".



Emmanuel Mudiay and Tyler Dorsey

Tarkanian Classic

LAS VEGAS – The second annual Tarkanian Classic presented Stanley Johnson and Ivan Rabb with marvelous opportunities to make on-court arguments as to why they should be considered the No. 1-ranked high school players in the respective national classes of 2014 and 2015.

And their teams were quite impressive as well!

Johnson's Santa Ana (CA) Mater Dei and Rabb's Oakland Bishop O'Dowd teams hooked up -in the championship game of the National Division, played on the evening of Dec. 21 at Bishop Gorman High.

And, ultimately, Johnson's Monarchs stayed in the hunt for a mythical national title by the slimmest of margins, edging Rabb's Dragons with the aid of four overtime minutes, 63-59.

A critical no-call – especially on behalf of the Monarchs – on a drive by O'Dowd junior point guard Paris Austin, challenged by Johnson (quite physically), at the end of regulation gave Johnson and his teammates the opportunity to pull it out of the fire in OT.



In a preview of the 2014 California State Open Division Championship game on March 29, Johnson led the way for the Monarchs (who improved to 10-0 with the victory) with 25 points and eight rebounds.

And the 6-foot-9 Rabb was the biggest obstacle – literally and figuratively – that

Mater Dei had to overcome as he swept the glass at both ends of the floor for 21 rebounds and reached and bounced over the top of the Monarchs for 24 points.

Johnson boarded the team's Santa Ana-bound chartered bus with his second hunk of Tarkanian Classic Most Outstanding Player hardware. He took the prize home a year earlier after leading his team over O'Dowd in the semifinals and the host Gaels in the finale.

The National Division semifinals were played the night before at the tournament "headquarters", the Orleans Hotel Arena, and were nationally televised by CBS Sports Network.

The 6-9 Rabb – usually guarding either of Bishop Gorman's terrific junior posts, Stephen Zimmerman and Chase Jeter, scored 24 points and grabbed seven rebounds in his team's 68-54 victory over the Gaels.

Austin and senior backcourt mate, Juwan Anderson, combined for 31 points for the Dragons while Jeter had 13 points, eight rebounds and three blocked shots.

In the other semifinal, Mater Dei fell behind 6-2 two minutes in before rolling to a 31-11 advantage after the first quarter and cruising to an 84-38 decision.

Johnson scored 28 points (despite spending the final 5 ½ minutes on the bench as a cheerleader) while junior La'Vette

Parker – one of the better jump shooters in the Class in the West – nailed six 3s en route to a 22-point effort.

A Prep School Division game was also played in the Orleans Arena, with Prime Prep of Dallas edging Henderson (NV) Findlay Prep in a sizzler, 70-67.

Prime Prep's SMU-bound Emmanuel Mudiay – arguably the best point guard in the national Class of 2014 – did pretty much anything he wanted in the fourth quarter when he scored 12 of his game-high 24 points to anchor the comeback victory.

There were a handful of other "prep school" games played – involving some of the better non- "traditional high school" teams in the country – played over the event's four days at Bishop Gorman.

Matching the thrills of the Prime Prep-Findlay Prep contest the night before was a Findlay Prep-Rockville (MD) Montrose Christian

Findlay Prep – and its plethora of future high-major college players – seemed to be in well control over Montrose Christian.

But 6-3 Allonzo Trier – who could prove to be the top shooting guard prospect in the national Class of 2015 – went to work after intermission.

Oh! Did he ever . . .

Trier scored 26 of his 33 points, from every conceivable distance and angle, and against every bit of effort that Findlay Prep defenders could muster in a near-impossible attempt to prevent him from getting his hands on the ball, much less launch shots in their faces.

The ending was as stunning – and breath-stopping – as any you'll see in the world of hoops, on any level.

After Findlay Prep sophomore Renathan Ona Embo missed two free throws that would have put his team in front in the closing moments, Patrick McCaw of Montrose picked up a loose ball in a scramble near mid-court and flip a lob pass toward the rim – which teammate Raymond Doby not only snagged but also dunked, all in the same motion.

Montrose wins it, 63-61! Amazing . . .

My "all-tournament" selections included:

- Stanley Johnson (Santa Ana, CA, Mater Dei/Class of 2014) – Most Outstanding Player
- Ivan Rabb (Oakland, CA, Bishop O'Dowd/2015)
- Juwan Anderson (Oakland, CA, Bishop O'Dowd/2014)
- Chase Jeter (L.V. Bishop Gorman/2015)
- Emmanuel Mudiay (Dallas Prime Prep/2014)
- Rex Pflueger (Santa Ana, CA, Mater Dei/2015)
- Cheick Diallo (Centerreach, NY, Our Savior/2015)
- Allonzo Trier (Rockville, MD, Montrose Christian/2015)
- Kelly Oubre (Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep/2014)
- T.J. Haws (Highland, UT, Lone Peak/2014)
- Ian Fox (Redondo Beach, CA, Redondo Union/2014)
- Deryck Thornton (Henderson, NV, Findlay Prep/2016)

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WATTSONKING

By Van Coleman

Last spring, this class looked to be decimated with a number of top players including former No.1 Andrew Wiggins re-classifying to this year's college freshmen class, but not only did the Cream of the Crop rise like a Phoenix, but the Class of 2014 may even be better than it was prior to those defections. That improvement is due to the hard work a number of prospects who were on the cusp of elite status did to make that status a reality. Hard work that makes the Class of 2014 a definite step up over its predecessor.

Well if hard work done is the key to the development of the Class of 2013, then it's fitting that the number one player, be someone who epitomizes that effort, that's why 6-7 220-pound Stanley Johnson from Santa Ana, CA Mater Dei has edged out the field. Johnson was among the top two or three players at every event he played in this summer and that consistency earned him "Player of the Year" honors. He has improved his consistency from three to go with his point forward ball skills. He, like 2007's number one talent Kevin Love (Timberwolves), does it the old fashioned way with hard work, on the glass, on defense or with his ability to score or make pass to open teammate.

Right behind Johnson is another summer and early season star in 6-9 man child Cliff Alexander from Chicago Curie is ready to make that move to challenge for the number one spot, as he has started to develop into an offensive threat to go with his ability to dominate on the glass and swat shots in the paint with best in class. He flat out dominated No. 1 rated high school squad at the HoopHall Classic and left press row buzzing!

Another top summer prospect in the hunt for the top spot is high scoring 6-4 combo guard Emmanuel Mudiay from Dallas Prime Prep, who can flat

out score with best in class, or set up the "O" and deliver the rock to open man or baseline cutter. He stunned the Basketball World by committing to SMU over a number of the nation's elite programs. He said he wanted to play for a Hall-of-Famer and that Coach Larry Brown was key to helping him develop into a future NBA guard.

Right behind Mudiay is our former No.1, 6-10 Jahlil Okafor from Chicago Whitney Young, who seemed to run out of gas late in the summer, don't know if he was hurt, but his level of play dropped just enough to let our



Cliff Alexander

first three above slip by him. He has all the tools to take top spot back, as he is the best low block scorer in high school ball. It will be interesting to see if he wants it His best days may still be ahead of him, so stay tuned. Rounding out the top five is another fast rising big man in 6-11 big man Myles Turner from Euless, TX Trinity High. Turner burst on the national scene this spring blocking shots and dominating the boards, but it was the offensive skill set that moved him into a top five spot. He

has ability to trail and hit jumper or roll to block and use feet to create space and score with touch in the paint.

The second five is headed by Team USA's starting point guard, 6-1 Tyus Jones from Apple Valley, MN High. He is the consummate floor leader who makes everyone around him better, but has the tools to take the game over offensively if needed.

He is followed by a quartet of wing talents who can flat out score the basketball. In at number seven is 6-7 point forward Justin Jackson, from Houston HCYA, who can grab it off the glass and take it end to end, hit open man with pass or stick jumper from three. He is unselfish and does little things it takes to win. Right behind him at number eight is one of the top shooters and finishers in the class, in 6-6 wing man Rashad Vaughn who lead Findlay Prep's talented national championship contenders. In at number nine is ultra quick and skilled wing man Justise Winslow who has all the tools to create the opportunities to score with jumper or highlights at the rim. Rounding out the top ten is another athletic wing who can score in bunches, that being 6-7 wing scorer Kelly Oubre the second half of Findlay Prep's one-two punch. He has developed a dribble drive to go with his sweet perimeter jumper. He is dedicated to becoming the best he can be.

Depth is always a key to how good a Class may become, and this year depth is definitely a key to the Class of 2014's strength. Look for talents like Kevon Looney, Karl Towns, Joel Berry, Chris McCullough, Trey Lyles, Daniel Hamilton, Isaiah Whitehead and Dwayne Morgan to push for top ten spots. That quality depth is key to the final level this class will have.

So with that in mind, here is our look at the Top 200 prospects in the Class of 2014.

1.	Stanley Johnson	6-7	WF	Santa Ana, CA Mater Dei (Arizona)	The Player of the Summer just flat outplayed the field. He can score in all three zones and has point forward ball skills
2.	Cliff Alexander	6-9	C/PF	Chicago, IL Curie (Kansas)	This man sized rebounder can dominate on the boards & defensive end. His "O" is coming so top three should be nervous
3.	Emmanuel Mudiay	6-4	P/SG	Dallas, TX Prime Prep (SMU)	Another of the summer's best, he can run the show, stick the jumper and dominate off the dribble. He's a game changer
4.	Jahlil Okafor	6-10	C	Chicago, IL Whitney Young (Duke)	Former No.1 is within striking distance of taking it back. He is a dominant inside scorer who has to want it, stay tuned
5.	Myles Turner	6-11	C	Euleess, TX Trinity (Texas)	This long and athletic big caught our eye with his shot blocking, but it is his offensive skills that has him on cusp of top 5
6.	Tyus Jones	6-1	PG	Apple Valley, MN High (Duke)	Top pure point in the glass, he flat out makes teammates better with pass, but is capable of taking over on "O" too!
7.	Justin Jackson	6-7	SG/F	Houston, TX HCYA (North Carolina)	This swing man can score from three, create drive and finish or dump to open man if doubled. He can take game over
8.	Rashad Vaughn	6-6	SG/F	Henderson, NV Findlay Prep (UNLV)	Sweet shooting swing man can play the two or three, knock down shot from deep or create drive and finish. BT scorer
9.	Justise Winslow	6-6	WF	Houston, TX St. John's (Duke)	Athletic wing showed he can board and run the break, finish drive with highlights or stick jumper from arc on in
10.	Kelly Oubre	6-7	WF	Henderson, NV Findlay Prep (Kansas)	One of the fastest risers in class, he has range to NBA and has become a real threat off dribble with his length & bounce
11.	Kevon Looney	6-8	WF	Milwaukee, WI Hamilton (UCLA)	Tough, hard nosed, wing man can dominate on the glass, take it end to end or pull-up and stick jumper inside the arc
12.	Karl Towns	6-10	C/PF	Metuchen, NJ St. Joseph's (Kentucky)	Skilled big man can score from face-up to the arc or roll to block and finish with drop step or jump hook. Intensity key
13.	Joel Berry	6-1	PG	Orlando, FL Lake Highland (North Carolina)	Solid lead guard can score from three or off the dribble with jumper or finish. At best when he looks to pass & create
14.	Chris McCullough	6-9	PF	Wolfeboro, NH Brewster Academy (Syracuse)	Skilled big man has length, quicks and ball skills to finish, can pop jumper on face-up or finish versus contact at rim
15.	Trey Lyles	6-8	205	Indianapolis, IN Arsenal Tech (Kentucky)	Another skilled big who has ability to start break off the glass, trail and hit jumper to three, or roll and score on blocks
16.	Isaiah Whitehead	6-4	SG	Brooklyn, NY Lincoln (Seton Hall)	Sweet shooting wing man can knock down three with regularity, and has ball skills to create drive with either hand
17.	Daniel Hamilton	6-7	WF	Bellflower, CA St. John Bosco (Connecticut)	Long and quick wing scorer can knock down jumper or slash by defender to score with jumper or finish with highlight
18.	Dwayne Morgan	6-8	WPF	Baltimore, MD St. Frances (UNLV)	Tough combo forward is a beast on the glass, can knock down jumper to three or score around hoop with either hand
19.	James Blackmon	6-2	P/SG	Marion, IN High (Indiana)	This sweet shooting combo wants the rock when game is on the line. He has excellent ball skills and can stick three
20.	Theo Pinson	6-5	SG	High Point, NC Wesleyan Christian (North Carolina)	Long slasher and driver loves to isolate and attack the hoop. He has ability to stop and pop off the dribble too
21.	Tyler Ullis	5-8	PG	Matteson, IL Marion Catholic (Kentucky)	This pass first point flat out proved he can get it done versus the best this summer. He makes everyone better
22.	Jaquan Lyle	6-4	SG	Huntington, WV Prep (Oregon)	This physical scoring guard has ball skills to run break or create the drive. He hit three and finished vs contact in lane
23.	D'Angelo Russell	6-3	SG	Montverde, FL Academy (Ohio State)	This sweet shooting scoring guard is at his best looking to score with jumper that sets up drive with bounce on the finish
24.	Grayson Allen	6-3	SG	Jacksonville, FL Providence School (Duke)	This explosive scorer can drop jumper from NBA arc or attack and finish at rim with highlights. He is a three zone scorer.
25.	Devin Booker	6-4	SG	Moss Point, MS High (Kentucky)	This physical big guard can knock down jumper from three or slash and finish versus contact in the paint for 'Cats!



Chris McCullough



Jahlil Okafor



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Robert Cartwright

26.	Craig Victor	6-9	PF	Henderson, NV Findlay Prep (Arizona)
27.	Reid Travis	6-8	PF	Minneapolis, MN DeLasalle (Stanford)
28.	Malik Pope	6-7	W/PF	Elk Grove, CA Laguna Creek (San Diego State)
29.	Quentin Snider	6-2	PG	Louisville, KY Ballard (Louisville)
30.	Jonah Bolden	6-9	P/WF	Wolfeboro, NH Brewster Academy (UCLA)
31.	Leron Black	6-8	W/PF	Memphis, TN White Station (Illinois)
32.	Brandone Francis	6-5	SG	Jacksonville, FL ACDS (Florida)
33.	Devin Robinson	6-6	WF	Christchurch, VA School (Florida)
34.	Goodluck Okonoboh	6-10	C	Wilbraham, MA Wilbraham & Monson (UNLV)
35.	Josh Perkins	6-3	SG	Huntington, WV Prep (Gonzaga)
36.	Shaqquan Aaron	6-6	SG/F	Seattle, WA Rainier Beach (Louisville)
37.	Romelo Trimble	6-1	P/SG	Arlington, VA Bishop O'Connell (Maryland)
38.	Ja'quan Newton	6-1	PG	Philadelphia, PA Newmann-Goretti (Miami Florida)
39.	Kameron Chatman	6-6	WF	Portland, OR Columbia Christian (Michigan)
40.	Angel Delgado	6-9	PF	Huntington, WV Prep (Seton Hall)
41.	Thomas Welsh	6-11	C	Los Angeles, CA Loyola (UCLA)
42.	Terry Larrier	6-7	WF	Malvern, PA Phelps School (VCU)
43.	Robert Johnson	6-4	P/SG	Richmond, VA Benedictine (Indiana)
44.	Keita Bates-Diop	6-7	PF	Normal, IL University (Ohio State)
45.	Trevon Bluiett	6-4	SG	Indianapolis, IN Park Tudor (Xavier)
46.	Parker Jackson-Cartwright	5-10	PG	Los Angeles, CA Loyola (Arizona)
47.	Thomas Jordan-McLaughlin	6-0	PG	Rancho Cucamonga, CA Etiwanda (USC)
48.	Chris Chiozza	6-1	PG	Memphis, TN White Station (Florida)
49.	Paul White	6-8	PF	Chicago, IL Whitney Young (Georgetown)
50.	Isaac Copeland	6-9	PF	Charlottesville, VA Miller School (Georgetown)
51.	Brekott Chapman	6-8	PF	Roy, UT High (Utah)
52.	Elbert Robinson	6-10	C	Garland, TX Lakeview Centennial (LSU)
53.	Abdul Malik-Abu	6-8	PF	Meridian, NH Kimball Union (N.C. State)
54.	Michael Humphrey	6-9	PF	Phoenix, AZ Sunnyslope (Stanford)
55.	Jakeenan Gant	6-8	PF	Springfield, GA Effingham County (Missouri)
56.	L.J. Peak	6-5	SG	Gaffney, SC High (Georgetown)
57.	Jaylen Johnson	6-8	PF	Ypsilanti, MI High (Louisville)
58.	T.J. Haws	6-3	W/PG	Highland, UT Lone Peak (BYU)
59.	Jay'sean Tate	6-6	WF	Pickerington, OH Central (Ohio State)
60.	Alex Robinson	6-1	PG	Arlington, TX Timberview (Texas A&M)
61.	B.J. Stith	6-6	WF	Mouth of Wilson, VA Oak Hill (Virginia)
62.	Dion Wiley	6-4	SG/F	Oxon Hill, MD Potomac (Maryland)
63.	Isaac Haas	7-1	C	Piedmont, AL Hokes Bluff (Wake Forest)
64.	Michael Nzei	6-8	PF	Centerreach, NY Our Savior New American (Seton Hall)
65.	Caleb Martin	6-6	WF	Mouth of Wilson, VA Oak Hill (N.C. State)
66.	Phil Booth	6-2	W/PG	Baltimore, MD St. Joseph (Villanova)
67.	Paschal Chukwu	7-2	C	Fairfield, CT Fairfield Prep (Providence)
68.	Ahmad Hill	6-4	SG	Augusta, GA Aquinas (Virginia Tech)
68.	Robert Cartwright	6-2	PG	LaCanada, CA Flintridge Prep (Stanford)

69.	Kaleb Joseph	6-3	W/PG	Ashburnham, MA Cushing Academy (Syracuse)
70.	Jalen Lindsey	6-7	WF	Huntington, WV Prep (Providence)
71.	Shelton Mitchell	6-3	SG	Mouth of Wilson, VA Oak Hill (Wake Forest)
72.	Dominic Magee	6-3	PG	Harvey, LA Helen Cox (Memphis)
73.	Chinanu Onuaku	6-10	C	Upper Marlboro, MD Riverdale Baptist (Louisville)
74.	Justin Coleman	5-11	PG	Birmingham, AL Carroll (Alabama)
75.	Jarred Terrell	6-3	SG	Wolfeboro, NH Brewster Academy (Rhode Island)
76.	Cody Martin	6-6	WF	Mouth of Wilson, VA Oak Hill (N.C. State)
77.	Sandy Cohen	6-6	SG	Green Bay, WI Seymour (Marquette)
78.	Devin Mitchell	6-4	SG	Suwanee, GA Collins Hill (Alabama)
79.	Khadeem Lattin	6-9	C/PF	Houston, TX Redemption Christian (Oklahoma)
80.	Vic Law	6-7	WF	Chicago, IL St. Rita (Northwestern)
81.	Donte Grantham	6-8	PF	Chatham, VA Hargrave Military (Clemson)
82.	Tadrick Jackson	5-11	P/SG	Tifton, GA Tift County (Georgia Tech)
83.	Ben Bentil	6-9	C	Middletown, DE St. Andrew's (Providence)
84.	Lourawls Nairn	5-11	PG	Bel Aire, KS Sunrise Christian (Michigan State)
85.	Riley Norris	6-6	WF	Albertville, AL High (Alabama)
86.	Elijah Stewart	6-5	WG	Los Angeles, CA Westchester (Southern Claifornia)
87.	Josh Cunningham	6-7	WF	Chicago, IL Morgan Park (Bradley)
88.	Trayvon Reed	7-0	C	Burlington, NJ Life Center (Maryland)
89.	Makinde London	6-9	PF	Montverde, FL Academy (Xavier)
90.	Jared Nickens	6-6	WF	Westtown, PA High (Maryland)
91.	Mikal Bridges	6-6	WF	Malvern, PA Great Valley (Villanova)
92.	Malik Price-Martin	6-8	W/PF	Brandon, FL Faith Baptist (USC)
93.	Malek Harris	6-7	WF	Orland Park, IL Sandburg (Marquette)
94.	Tra Holder	6-0	PG	Los Angeles, CA Brentwood (Arizona State)
95.	Jordan Barnett	6-6	WF	St. Louis, MO Christian Brothers (Texas)
96.	Payton Dastrup	6-9	C	Mesa, AZ Mountain View (BYU)
97.	Dominique Collier	6-1	PG	Denver, CO East (Colorado)
98.	Jackson Davis	6-8	P/WF	Lexington, KY Lafayette (Butler)
99.	Riley LaChance	6-3	PG	Brookfield, WI Central (Vanderbilt)
100.	Leon Gilmore	6-7	WF	Missouri City, TX Manvel (Creighton)
101.	Joe Burton	6-6	WF	Houston, TX Atascocita (Oklahoma State)
102.	Christopher Sandifer	6-4	SG	Woodland Hills, CA Taft (UTEP)
103.	Ahmaad Rorie	6-0	PG	Montverde, FL Academy (Oregon)
104.	Adonys Henriquez	6-3	SG	Orlando, FL Christian Prep (Central Florida)
105.	Namon Wright	6-4	SG	Los Angeles, CA Pacific Hills (Missouri)
106.	Jacob Hammond	6-9	C	Duncan, OK Home Schooled (Nebraska)
107.	Kadeem Carrington	6-4	SG	Brooklyn, NY Bishop Loughlin (Seton Hall)
108.	Mitch Solomon	6-9	C	Bixby, OK High
109.	Dante Buford	6-6	WF	Jacksonville, FL Arlington Country Day
110.	Boubacar Moungoro	6-6	WF	Bradenton, FL IMG Academy
111.	Trey Kell	6-4	SG	San Diego, CA St. Augustine (San Diego State)
112.	Marqywell Jackson	6-4	SG	Detroit, MI East English
113.	Melvin Swift	6-7	PF	Houston, TX Jack Yates (Xavier)



Dwayne Morgan



Isaiah Whitehead



Wade Baldwin



Kelly Oubre

114.	Andre Adams	6-8	PF	Avondale, AZ Westview
115.	Marcus Stroman	6-1	PG	Columbia, SC Keenan (South Carolina)
116.	Dorian Pickens	6-4	SG	Cave Creek, AZ Pinnacle (Stanford)
117.	Quadri Moore	6-9	C	Linden, NJ High (Cincinnati)
118.	Obi Enechionya	6-9	C/PF	St. James, MD High (Temple)
119.	Idrissa Diallo	6-10	C	Los Angeles, CA Cathedral (Boston College)
120.	Dwayne Foreman	6-8	PF	Woodstock, VA Massanutten Military (Rutgers)
121.	Anton Beard	5-10	PG	Little Rock, AR Parkview (Arkansas)
122.	Matthew Fisher-Davis	6-5	SG	Charlotte, NC Christian (Vanderbilt)
123.	Tre Campbell	6-2	PG	Washington, D St. John's (Georgetown)
124.	Gary Clark	6-7	PF	Clayton, NC High (Cincinnati)
125.	Jabari Craig	6-11	C	Waynesboro, VA Fishburne Academy (Southern California)
126.	Wade Baldwin	6-3	SG	Metuchen, NJ St. Joseph's (Vanderbilt)
127.	James Palmer	6-3	P/SG	Washington, DC St. John's (Miami-FL)
128.	Michael Williams	6-2	PG	Brooklyn, NY Bishop Loughlin (Rutgers)
129.	Therence Myamba	6-7	W/PF	Rockville, MD Montrose Christian
130.	Kelan Martin	6-6	WF	Louisville, KY Ballard (Butler)
131.	James Demery	6-4	SG	Greenville, NC Oakwood (St. Joseph's)
132.	Chris Egli	6-9	PF	Montverde, FL Academy (Harvard)
133.	Kyle Kuzma	6-9	PF	Philadelphia, PA Rise Academy (Utah)
134.	Martin Geben	6-9	C/PF	Hagerstown, MD St. Maria Goretti (Notre Dame)
135.	Trey Thompson	6-9	C/PF	Madison, AR Forrest City (Arkansas)
136.	Ladamean Keys	6-7	PF	New Orleans, LA Conquering Word
137.	Edmund Summer	6-1	PG	Beverly Hills, MI Detroit Country Day (Xavier)
138.	Omar Sherman	6-7	PF	Duncanville, TX High (Miami-FL)
139.	Sean O'Mara	6-9	C	Lisle, IL Benet Academy (Xavier)
140.	Clay Custer	6-0	PG	Overland Park, KS Blue Valley Northwest (Iowa State)
141.	Donavan Dorsey	6-5	WF	Lacey, WA Timberline (Washington)
142.	Vince Edwards	6-7	PF	Franklin, OH Middletown (Purdue)
143.	Kodi Justice	6-4	SG	Mesa, AZ Dobson (Arizona State)
144.	Larry Austin	6-1	P/SG	Springfield, IL Lanphier (Tennessee)
145.	Ethan Happ	6-7	WF	Rockridge, IL High (Wisconsin)
146.	Tory Miller	6-8	PF	New Hampton, NH School
147.	Shavar Newkirk	5-11	PG	Bronx, NY Cardinal Hayes (St. Joseph's)
148.	Isaiah Bailey	6-4	SG	Compton, CA High (Fresno State)
149.	Isaiah Wilkins	6-8	PF	Norcross, GA Greater Atlanta Christian (Virginia)
150.	Zylan Cheatham	6-7	W/PF	Phoenix, AZ Westwind Academy (San Diego State)
152.	Marcanis Hymon	6-6	W/PF	Memphis, TN Whitehaven (Mississippi)
153.	Troy Holston	6-4	SG	Oldsmar, FL Christian (South Florida)
154.	Sam Logwood	6-6	WF	La Porte, IN La Lumiere (Auburn)
155.	Phil Cofer	6-8	PF	Fayetteville, GA Whitewater Academy (Tennessee)
156.	C.J. Turman	6-9	C	Madison, GA Morgan County (Tennessee)
157.	J.P. Macura	6-4	P/SG	Lakeville, MN North (Minnesota)

158.	Ray Kasongo	6-8	PF	Delafield, WI St. John NW Military
159.	Casey Benson	6-1	P/SG	Tempe, AZ Corona Del Sol (Oregon)
160.	Johnathan Wilkins	6-11	C	Laporte, IN LaLumiere Academy
161.	Matt Cimino	6-9	C/PF	Worcester, MA Academy
162.	Bonzie Colson	6-6	W/PF	Barrington, RI St. Andrew's (Norte Dame)
163.	Devonte Graham	6-1	PG	Wolfeboro, NH Brewster Academy
164.	Silas Melson	6-2	PG	Portland, OR Jefferson (Gonzaga)
165.	Justin Bibbs	6-5	WF	Montverde, FL Academy (Virginia Tech)
166.	Temarcus Blanton	6-5	SG	Locust Grove, GA Luella (South Carolina)
167.	Justin Tillman	6-7	W/PF	Detroit, MI Pershing (VCU)
168.	Darnell Davis	6-2	P/SG	Detroit, MI Douglass (Dayton)
169.	Isaiah Wright	6-2	PG	Boise, ID Borah (Utah)
170.	Johnny Vassar	6-0	PG	San Juan Capistrano, CA J. Serra Catholic
171.	Nick Babb	6-4	SG	Arlington, TX Martin (Arkansas)
172.	Quadree Smith	6-8	PF	Fairfax, VA Paul VI
173.	Eric Cooper	6-3	P/SG	Bradenton, FL IMG Academy (Nevada)
174.	D.J. Wilson	6-8	PF	Sacramento, CA Capital Christian (Michigan)
175.	Kevin Zabo	6-1	PG	Rockville, MD Montrose Christian (San Diego State)
176.	Dominique Uhl	6-8	W/PF	Point Pleasant, NJ High
177.	David Bell	6-9	PF	Garfield Heights, OH High (Ohio State)
178.	William Lee	6-8	PF	Plantersville, AL Dallas County
179.	Jaquel Richmond	6-0	PG	High Point, NC Wesleyan Christian (Houston)
180.	Damiyne Dotson	6-5	WF	Oakwood, TX High (Baylor)
181.	Shane Hall	6-8	PF	Prestonburg, KY Johnson Central (Marshall)
182.	Bryan Alberts	6-3	SG	Sun Valley, CA Village Christian (Gonzaga)
183.	Michael Finke	6-9	C	Champaign, IL Centennial (Illinois)
184.	Razhaun "Bear" Henderson	6-5	WF	Mission Hills, CA Alemany
185.	Shep Garner	6-2	P/SG	Philadelphia, PA Roman Catholic (Penn State)
186.	Janeau Joubert	6-1	PG	Ypsilanti, MI High
187.	Ricky Doyle	6-9	PF	Fort Myers, FL Bishop Verot (Michigan)
188.	Tyler Wideman	6-7	PF	St. John, IN Lake Central (Butler)
189.	Isaiah Manderson	6-10	C	Alpharetta, GA Milton (Oregon State)
190.	Dakota Mathis	6-4	SG	Elida, OH High (Purdue)
191.	Joe Furstinger	6-9	PF	Santa Margarita, CA High (New Mexico)
192.	Keith Pinckney	6-1	PG	Lithonia, GA Miller Grove (Tulane)
193.	Rakim Lubin	6-8	PF	Gadsden City, AL High (Connecticut)
194.	Elijah Stanley	6-6	WF	Marietta, GA Wheeler (Mississippi State)
195.	Omega Harris	6-3	SG	Oklahoma City, OK Putnam City West (UTEP)
196.	Jordan Cornish	6-4	SG	New Orleans, LA Brother Martin (Tennessee)
197.	Keondre Dew	6-7	WF	La Jolla, CA Prep
198.	Shaquille Carr	6-1	PG	Las Vegas, NV Canyon Springs
199.	Kobie Eubanks	6-5	WF	Centerreach, NY Our Savior New American
200.	Demetrius Houston	6-5	WF	Tuscaloosa, AL Central (Mississippi State)



Quentin Snider



Romelo Trimble

We are taking our first expanded look at the Class of 2015, the nation's juniors, and one thing became obvious right away and that was the fact that you could make a case for any one of the top seven players in the class for the number one spot. Matter of fact, I think last summer's play actually closed the gap between that group rather than separated the top group. A phenomenon that rarely takes place, but makes this year's junior campaign, as well as this year's spring and summer play extremely important as we sort out who will eventually emerge as the number one spot in the final analysis next fall...so stay tuned on that final decision on who's the top guy in the class of 2015!

For now, we are sticking with our first look, last year's No. 1, as Malik Newman holds on by an eyelash as our No.1 prospect in the Class of 2015. He did just enough to hold off a deep group of inside talent that complete the top five, along with fast charging combo guard Tyler Dorsey who lit it up this past summer with Belmont Shore who heads-up the second five.

Newman is a scoring machine who can hit it from three or make all the YouTube video guys drool. He has really improved his perimeter jumper and that makes the drive and highlight easier too. He won't be easy to knock out of the top spot, as he puts up major numbers. He is followed by Australian import 6-8 Ben Simmons who has skills to do it all, facing or with his back to the hoop. If he has continued to improve over last 18-months, and is ready to challenge for one of top spots In at No.3 is athletic big man, 6-10 face-up talent Ivan Rabb. He has great quicks and bounce, but needs to show added strength to challenge for the top spot. He is followed closely by 7-0 big man, Stephen Zimmerman who plays like he has a chip on his shoulder. He is an accomplished shot blocker who can finish around hoop or pop and stick jumper. Right behind him, rounding out the top five is offensive force, 6-10 power man Diamond Stone who played his way into contention for the top spot with some great summer and fall play. He needs to show he wants it, but is a monster when he gives full effort.

The second five, is headed by the above mentioned 6-4 combo Tyler Dorsey who had the strongest end to the summer of any junior. He was deadly from three and played physically in traffic. If he can keep that focus he could move into the three by the end of spring play. Right there with him at number seven is another fast riser in 6-9 Cheick Diallo who flat out blew up last summer after dominating at times at the NBPA Top 100 Camp. Rounding out the top ten are three bigs who ooze with potential to make the 2015 class special. They are at No.8, 6-10 Skal Labissiere who can score facing or with length around the hoop. At No.9 is 6-9 Texas powerman, Elijah Thomas, who is a powerful and long rebounder can board outside his zone, then finish with highlights. Rounding out the top ten is another big with excellent offensive skills in 6-10 Carlton Bragg. Make no doubt talented size isn't a weakness in this class.

But, quality ball handling is something that seems to be lacking in the early returns, as the class has a lot of combo guard depth, but it is lacking in pure lead guards. If it can develop that position it can be very strong, but for now we are taking a wait and see attitude. So with that in mind, here's our look at the nation's top juniors, with our Rankings of the Top 150 prospects in the Class of 2015.

1.	Malik Newman	6-5	SG	Jackson, MS Callaway	This explosive scorer has added three point jumper to with highlights that keeps him just in front of next six here
2.	Ben Simmons	6-8	PF	Montverde, FL Academy (LSU)	Skilled and physical power forward is back in the states this winter. He was a top five guy before, can he one again?
3.	Ivan Rabb	6-10	PF	Oakland, CA Bishop O'Dowd	This skilled and quick big man has great length, can block shots, or outrun bigs in transition. Strength key to run at #1
4.	Stephen Zimmerman	6-11	C	Las Vegas, NV Bishop Gorman	This hard working big man continues to add strength and continue to improve inside-out game. Blue Collar attitude = #2
5.	Diamond Stone	6-10	C/ PF	Whitefish Bay, WI Dominican	This skilled and strong big man showed a solid face-up game to go with excellent footwork and touch at NY2LA Futures
6.	Tyler Dorsey	6-4	P/ SG	Los Angeles, CA Ribet Academy (Arizona)	No one did more this summer, than this skilled combo, to move up ranks with dominating performance at Fab 48 in Vegas
7.	Cheick Diallo	6-9	C	Centerreach, NY Our Savior New American	He dominated at times at NBPA Top 100 and made move into top ten. He blocks shots and scores with highlights. On rise
8.	Skal Labissiere	6-10	PF	Cordova, TN Evangelical	This skilled face up four man can knock down seventeen footer on elbow or drive by bigs to score with regularity at rim
9.	Elijah Thomas	6-9	PF	Lancaster, TX High	Powerful and long rebounder can board outside his zone, finish with highlights around the hoop or control paint on "D"
10.	Carlton Bragg	6-10	C	Cleveland, OH Villa Angela St. Joseph's	Another of a skilled and athletic group of bigs who has range to arc or can roll then score around hoop with length

11.	Jaylen Brown	6-5	SG	Marietta, GA Wheeler
12.	Charles Matthews	6-5	SG	Chicago, IL St. Rita (Kentucky)
13.	Derrick Jones	6-7	W/PF	Radnor, PA Archbishop Carroll
14.	Luke Kennard	6-5	WF	Franklin, OH High (Duke)
15.	Malachi Richardson	6-5	WF	Trenton, NJ Trenton Catholic Academy
16.	Thomas Bryant	6-8	C/PF	Rochester, NY Bishop Kearney
17.	Chase Jeter	6-9	PF	Las Vegas, NV Bishop Gorman
18.	Isaiah Briscoe	6-4	SG	Newark, NJ Roselle Catholic
19.	Montague Gill-Cesar	6-5	WF	Huntington, WV Prep
20.	Allonzo Trier	6-3	PG	Rockville, MD Montrose Christian
21.	Keelon Lawson	6-5	SG	Memphis, TN Hamilton
22.	Eric Davis	6-2	P/SG	Saginaw, MI Arthur Hill
23.	Perry Dozier	6-4	P/SG	Columbia, SC Spring Valley
24.	Daniel Giddens	6-9	C/PF	Marietta, GA Wheeler
25.	Jalen Brunson	6-0	PG	Lincolnshire, IL Stevenson
26.	Moustapha Diagne	6-9	PF	Sparta, NJ Pope John XXIII
27.	Horace Spencer	6-8	PF	Henderson, NV Findlay Prep
28.	Tyler Davis	6-9	C/PF	Plano, TX West
29.	Brandon Ingram	6-6	WF	Kinston, NC High
30.	Austin Grandstaff	6-5	SG	Rockwall, TX High (Ohio State)
31.	Kevaughn Allen	6-3	SG	Little Rock AR Parkview
32.	Dwayne Bacon	6-6	WF	Bradenton, FL IMG Academy
33.	Bryant Crawford	6-2	P/SG	Washington, DC Gonzaga
34.	Jalen Coleman	6-2	PG	Laporte, IN La Lumiere Academy
35.	Marcus LoVett	5-11	PG	Burbank, CA Providence
36.	Doral Moore	6-11	C	Locust Grove, GA Luella
37.	Mickey Mitchell	6-8	PF	Plano, TX West (Ohio State)
38.	D.J. Williams	6-7	WF	Chicago, IL Simeon (Illinois)
39.	Chance Comanche	6-10	C	Los Angeles, CA View Park
40.	Antonio Blakeney	6-2	P/SG	Orlando, FL Oak Ridge
41.	Noah Dickerson	6-9	C	Atlanta, GA North Atlanta
42.	D.J. Hogg	6-8	PF	Plano, TX West
43.	Danjel Purefoy	6-6	WF	Centreville, AL Bibb County
44.	Melvin Frazier	6-4	SG	Marrero, LA L.W. Higgins
45.	Trevor Manuel	6-9	PF	Mouth of Wilson, VA Oak Hill Academy
46.	King McClure	6-3	P/SG	Dallas, TX Triple A Academy
47.	Alex Owens	6-8	PF	Oldsmar, FL Oak Ridge
48.	Hyron Edwards	5-11	PG	East Chicago, IL Central
49.	Dillon Brooks	6-6	WF	Henderson, NV Findlay Prep
50.	Henry Ellenson	6-9	C	Rice Lake, WI High
51.	Justin Simon	6-4	SG	Temecula, CA Temecula Valley (Arizona)
52.	Jesse Govan	6-9	C	Manhasset, NY St. Mary's
53.	Marcus Derricksen	6-7	WF	Fairfax, VA Paul VI (Georgetown)
54.	Rex Pflueger	6-6	WF	Santa Ana, CA Mater Dei
55.	Nick Noskowiak	6-2	PG	Sun Prairie, WI High (Marquette)
56.	Jeremy Hemsley	6-3	SG	Laverne, CA Damien
57.	Ray Smith	6-6	WF	Las Vegas, NV High
58.	William Jackson	6-6	WF	Athens, GA Christian



Tyler Dorsey



Elijah Thomas

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Ivan Raab



Chase Jeter

59.	Matthew McQuaid	6-5	SG	Duncanville, TX High (SMU)
60.	Franklin Howard	6-4	SG	Fairfax, VA Paul VI
61.	Aaron Holiday	6-2	P/SG	North Hollywood, CA Campbell Hall (UCLA)
62.	Brandon Sampson	6-4	SG	Baton Rouge, LA Madison
63.	Prince Ali	6-3	SG	Weston, FL Sagemont (UConn)
64.	Marquese Chriss	6-7	PF	Elk Grove, CA Pleasant Grove (Washington)
65.	Stephen Thompson	6-3	SG	Torrance, CA Bishop Montgomery
66.	Bennie Boatwright	6-8	PF	Sun Valley, CA Village Christian
67.	Glynn Watson	5-11	PG	Westchester, IL St. Joseph's
68.	Joseph Toye	6-7	WF	Laporte, IN La Lumiere Academy
69.	Tim Delaney	6-8	PF	Pitman, NJ High (Villanova)
70.	Tony Anderson	6-8	WF	Mouth of Wilson, VA Oak Hill Academy
71.	Terance Mann	6-5	SG	Tilton, NH School
72.	Kevarius Hayes	6-8	PF	Live Oak, FL Suwannee (Florida)
73.	George Papagiannis	7-1	C	West Chester, PA Westtown
74.	Jimmy Whitt	6-2	PG	Columbia, MO Hickman
75.	Leroy Butts	6-7	PF	Arlington, VA Bishop O'Connell
76.	Jarvis Johnson	6-0	PG	Minneapolis, MN DeLasalle
77.	Sedrick Barefield	6-1	P/SG	Corona, CA Centennial (SMU)
78.	A.J. Turner	6-6	WF	New Hampton, NH School
79.	Aaron Jordan	6-4	SG	Plainfield, IL East (Illinois)
80.	Luis Montero	6-7	WF	Wilbraham, MA Wilbraham & Monson
81.	Jeremy Miller	6-9	C	New Hampton, NH Prep
82.	A.J. Harris	5-10	PG	Dayton, OH Dunbar (Ohio State)
83.	Kendall Small	6-0	PG	Lakewood, CA Mayfair (Oregon)
84.	Levi Cook	6-10	C	Glen Daniel, WV Liberty (West Virginia)
85.	Jalen Adams	6-1	PG	Ashburnham, MA Cushing Academy
86.	Zach Johnson	6-1	PG	Miami, FL Norland
87.	Demontre Jefferson	5-8	PG	Fort Mill, SC Believe Prep
88.	Nu Williams	6-2	P/SG	Santa Monica, CA High
89.	Kaiser Gates	6-7	W/PF	Alpharetta, GA St. Francis
90.	Chimezie Metu	6-8	C/PF	Lawndale, CA High (Southern California)
91.	Corey Sanders	6-1	PG	Bradenton, FL IMG Academy (Central Florida)
92.	Damon Wilson	6-3	P/SG	Centerreach, NY Our Savior New American (Pittsburgh)
93.	Alex Ilikainen	6-10	C	Grand Rapids, MN High
94.	Tres Tinkle	6-6	WF	Missoula, MT Hellgate
95.	Josh Sharma	7-0	C	Northfield, MA Mt. Hermon
96.	KeJuan Johnson	6-6	W/PFF	Marietta, GA Wheeler
97.	K.J. Walton	6-3	SG	Brownsville, IN High
98.	Nick Blair	6-5	WF	Las Vegas, NV Bishop Gorman
99.	Ricky Brice	6-9	PF	Arlington, TX Pantego Christian
100.	Juwan Edwards	6-0	PG	Dallas, TX Kimball
101.	Paul Thomas	6-9	PF	Houston, TX Summer Creek
102.	Cody Schwartz	6-8	W/PF	DePere, WI West
103.	Ryan Fazekas	6-7	WF	Michigan City, IN Marquette (Providence)
104.	Etorrian Wilridge	6-7	PF	Beaumont, TX Central
105.	Dejounte Murray	6-4	SG	Seattle, WA Rainier Beach

106.	Chris Silva	6-8	PF	Roselle, NJ Catholic
107.	Tevin Mack	6-6	WF	Columbia, SC Dreher
108.	Samir Doughty	6-3	SG	Philadelphia, PA Electrical & Technical
109.	Nassir Barrino	6-0	PG	Jersey City, NJ Hudson Catholic
110.	Tyler Lydon	6-8	PF	New Hampton, NH School (Syracuse)
111.	Donta Hale	6-10	C	Laverne, AL High
112.	Djery Jean Baptist	6-10	C	Wilbraham, MA Wilbraham & Monson
113.	Hannif Cheatham	6-4	SG	Pembroke Pines, FL High
114.	Marcus Sheffield	6-5	SG	Alpharetta, GA Chattahoochee
115.	Matt Ryan	6-5	WF	New Rochelle, NY Iona Prep
116.	Andrew Fleming	6-4	SG	Nashville, TN Ensworth (Ohio)
117.	Donte Divincenzo	6-4	SG	Wilmington, DE Salesianum (Vilanova)
118.	Broderick Jones	6-9	C/PF	Playa Del Rey, CA St. Bernard's
119.	Justin Jennifer	5-8	PG	Bel Air, MD Milford Mill
120.	Aaron Falzon	6-7	PF	Newton, MA Hermon
121.	Levan Alston	6-3	P/SG	Haverford, PA School
122.	Donte Fitzpatrick	6-4	SG	Memphis, TN Melrose
123.	Ed Morrow	6-6	WF	Chicago, IL Simeon
124.	Jalon Miller	6-6	WF	Dallas, TX Seagoville
125.	Raymond Spalding	6-9	PF	Louisville, KY Trinity
126.	Jamar Ergas	6-3	SG	Montverde, FL Academy
127.	Jaquan McKinnon	5-10	PG	Bayside, NY Benjamin Cardozo
128.	Myles Carter	6-8	PF	Chicago, IL St. Rita
129.	Sacar Amin	6-4	SG	Minneapolis, MN DeLasalle
130.	Shawntrez Davis	6-8	PF	East Point, GA Tri-Cities
131.	Elijah Burns	6-8	PF	Blairtown, NJ Blair Academy
132.	Mike Watkins	6-8	PF	Philadelphia, PA John Bartram (Penn State)
133.	Rashard Odom	6-5	WF	Copperas Cove, TX High
134.	Donovan Mitchell	6-3	SG	Wolfeboro, NH Brewster Academy
135.	Isaiah Moss	6-5	SG	Frankfort, IL Lincoln Way
136.	Matt Heldt	6-10	C	Neeenah, WI Summercreek
137.	Jaylen Poyser	6-4	SG	Toronto, CA Henry Carr
138.	Chance McSpadden	6-3	SG	Winter Haven, FL High
139.	Luis Santos	6-6	PF	Bronx, NY St. Raymond's
140.	Jake Lindsey	6-4	SG	Holladay, UT Olympus
141.	Desure Blue	6-0	PG	Bronx, NY Wings Academy
142.	Brad Brechting	6-9	C/PF	Cedar Springs, MI High
143.	Nate Fowler	6-10	C	Cincinnati, OH Moeller
144.	Max Hazzard	5-11	PG	Los Angeles, LA Loyola
145.	Cameron Justice	6-3	SG	Hindman, KY Knott County
146.	Tobias Howard	6-0	PG	Suwannee, GA North Gwinnett
147.	Evan Boudreaux	6-7	PF	Lake Forest, IL High
148.	Roman Davis	6-6	WF	Los Angeles, CA Winward Prep
149.	Dane Kuiper	6-7	W/PF	Tempe, AZ Corona Del Sol (New Mexico)
150.	Esa Ahmad	6-5	WF	Shaker Heights, OH High

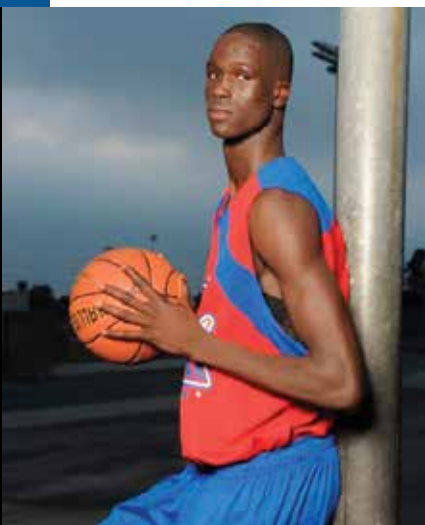


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CLASS OF TWENTY SIXTEEN



Thon Maker



Derrick Thornton



Trevor Stanback

The Class of 2016 made great strides last summer, adding depth at all the positions, especially at the all-important post and point guard spots. We aren't going to attach any labels yet, but it does look like it will grade out well above average if it continues to develop at the rate we observed since the end of the season last spring. The top five in the Class are all in the running for the top spot, but Josh Jackson who dominated in Las Vegas and multi-skilled big man Thon Maker have inched ahead of the pack. With a talented trio of forwards in Harry Giles, Jayson Tatum, and Dedric Lawson nipping at their heels.

The Second five consists of four talented scorers in V.J. King, Justin Jackson, Terrance Ferguson, and Tyus Battle, all who could break into the top five in the future, along with one of the most intriguing prospects in the class in athletic big man Udoka Azabukie who has people buzzing already with his ability to change the game in the paint. As he and other big men continue to rise, the sophomore class is definitely one to watch as it adds more depth and maturity.

So with that in mind, here's our first cut look at the nation's Top 100 rising sophomores in the Class of 2016.

1.	Josh Jackson	6-6	WF	Detroit, MI Consortium	This explosive scorer dominated play at times in Vegas scoring from the NBA arc to creating highlights at the rim!
2.	Thon Maker	7-1	C	Axton, VA Carlisle School	This skilled big man is a match-up nightmare for most opponents as he can score over you inside or pop and hit jumper.
3.	Harry Giles	6-9	PF	High Point, NC Wesleyan Christian	This long and explosive scorer has all the tools to dominate, but he has been slowed by injury to start year...stay tuned!
4.	Dedric Lawson	6-9	PF	Memphis, TN Hamilton	One of the fastest developing inside scorers and shotblockers in class. He can put up big numbers on "O" and the boards.
5.	Jayson Tatum	6-7	WF	St. Louis, MO Chaminade	This smooth and skilled point forward can run the break, score or deliver rock off the dribble and keep you honest with his J!

6.	V.J. King	6-7	WF	Akron, OH St. Vincent-St. Mary's	
7.	Justin Jackson	6-7	WF	Henderson, NV Findlay Prep	
8.	Terrance Ferguson	6-7	SG	Dallas, TX Prime Prep Academy	
9.	Udoka Azabukie	6-11	C	Jacksonville, FL Potters House	
10.	Tyus Battle	6-5	SG	Gladstone, NJ Gil St. Bernard	
11.	Malik Monk	6-3	SG	Bentonville, AR High	
12.	Josh Langford	6-5	SG	Huntsville, AL Madison Academy	
13.	Duwan Huell	6-10	PF	Miami, FL Norland	
14.	Edrice Adebayo	6-9	PF	Washington, NC Northside	
15.	Lonzo Ball	6-4	P/SG	Chino Hills, CA High (UCLA)	
16.	Deron Davis	6-9	C	Aurora, CO Overland	
17.	Mario Kegler	6-7	W/PF	Jackson, MS Callaway	
18.	Devearl Ramsey	5-11	PG	Chatsworth, CA Serra Canyon	
19.	Derrick Thornton	6-1	PG	Henderson, NV Findlay Prep	
20.	Seventh Woods	6-1	PG	Columbia, SC Hammonds	

21.	Marques Bolden	6-10	C	DeSoto, TX High
22.	Caleb Swanigan	6-8	C	Ft. Wayne, IN Homestead
23.	Kobi Simmons	6-4	PG	Alpharetta, GA St. Francis
24.	DeAaron Fox	6-3	SG	Katy, TX Cypress Lakes
25.	T.J. Leaf	6-9	PF	El Cajon, CA Foothills Christian
26.	Braxton Blackwell	6-6	PF	Nashville, TN Christ Presbyterian Academy
27.	Vance Jackson	6-6	WF	Bellflower, CA St. John Bosco
28.	Eron Gordon	6-3	SG	Indianapolis, IN North Central
29.	Schneider Herard	6-10	C	Plano, TX Prestonwood Christian
30.	Temple Gibbs	6-0	PG	West Orange, NJ Seton Hall Prep
31.	Michael Cage	6-9	C	Santa Ana, CA Mater Dei
32.	Derek Funderburk	6-8	PF	Lakewood, OH St. Edward
33.	Mustapha Heron	6-5	SG	Wilbraham, MA Wilbraham & Monson (Pittsburgh)
34.	Amir Coffey	6-6	WF	Minnetonka, MN Hopkins
35.	Juwan Durham	6-9	C	Tampa, FL Prep
36.	Jamal Murray	6-3	PG	Kitchener, ON Grand River Collegiate
37.	Oscar Frayer	6-6	WF	Hayward, CA Moreau Catholic
38.	Joe Hampton	6-6	PF	Hyattsville, MD DeMatha
39.	Khalea Turner	6-8	C	Marrero, LA John Curtis
40.	Rodney Miller	6-11	C	Mouth of Wilson, VA Oak Hill
41.	Jaylen Fisher	6-0	PG	Arlington, TN Bolton
42.	Miles Bridges	6-6	WF	Huntington, WV Prep
43.	Trevor Stanback	6-10	C	West Hills, CA Chaminade
44.	Darpeirreontae Burt	6-9	C	Waukesha, WI West
45.	Anthony Cowan	5-10	PG	Olney, MD Good Counsel
46.	Cassius Winston	6-0	PG	Detroit, MI University of Detroit Jesuit
47.	Tyree Crump	6-2	PG	Bainbridge GA High
48.	Rawle Alkins	6-3	SG	Middle Village, NY Christ the King
49.	Kweshawn Parker	6-2	SG	Fayetteville, NC Trinity Christian
50.	Dennis Smith	6-2	PG	Fayetteville, NC Trinity Christian
51.	Omari Spellman	6-7	PF	North Royalton, OH High
52.	Kassoum Yakwe	6-7	PF	Centerreach, NY Our Savior New American
53.	Christian Ellis	6-2	SG	Modesto, CA Christian
54.	Austin Meyer	6-9	PF	Mustang, OK High
55.	Jerry Myles	6-6	WF	Bel Air, KS Sunrise Christian
56.	Reed Nikko	6-8	PF	Maple Grove, MN High
57.	Yilden Mendoza	6-9	C/ PF	Corinth, MS High
58.	Ben Coupet	6-8	WF	Chicago, IL Simeon
59.	Loren Jackson	5-8	PG	Bradenton, FL IMG Academy
60.	Nyrhique Smith	6-2	PG	Upper Marlboro, MD Frederick Douglass

61.	Seth Towns	6-7	WF	Columbus, OH Northland
62.	Mark Vital	6-4	SG	Lake Charles, LA Washington-Marian (Baylor)
63.	Sedee Keita	6-9	PF	Saxtons River, VT Vermont Academy
64.	Al Eichelberger	6-6	PF	Saginaw, MI High
65.	Leylan Green	6-2	SG	Redondo Beach, CA Redondo HS
66.	Gilbert Thomas	6-5	C	Houston, TX C.E. King
67.	Nasir Brooks	6-11	C	Radnor, PA Archbishop Carroll
68.	Unique McLean	6-3	SG	Hoosick, NY Hoosac Prep
69.	Jashaun Agosto	5-9	PG	Seattle, WA Garfield
70.	Harrison Henderson	6-9	PF	Dallas, TX Triple A Academy
71.	Zach Norvell	6-5	SG	Chicago, IL Simeon
72.	Tony Carr	6-2	PG	Philadelphia, PA Roman Catholic
73.	David Erebor	6-8	C	Essex, MD Mt Carmel
74.	Devonte Green	6-3	SG	Brookville, NY Long Island Lutheran
75.	Jordan Bruner	6-8	PF	Columbia, SC Spring Valley
76.	Charlie Moore	5-8	PG	Chicago, IL Morgan Park
77.	Darius Hicks	6-7	PF	Quitman, MS High
78.	A.J. Lawson	6-4	WF	Bryan, TX High
79.	Jean Michel-Tine	6-7	W/ PF	Powder Springs, McEachern
80.	Tervell Beck	6-5	WF	Cleveland, OH Central Catholic
81.	Ryan Murphy	6-1	SG	Fairfield, CT Prep
82.	Cordell Premisl	6-8	PF	Dubuque, IA Wahlert
83.	Nick Rakocovic	6-9	C	Westchester, IL St. Joseph
84.	Maverick Rowan	6-5	SG	Midland, PA Lincoln Park (Pittsburgh)
85.	Mongo Cornett	6-7	PF	Houston, TX Westfield
86.	Ben Kone	6-8	PF	San Jose, CA Archbishop Mitty
87.	T.J. Vasher	6-5	WF	Wichita Falls, TX Rider
88.	Cameron McGriff	6-6	WF	Grand Prairie, TX South Grand Prairie
89.	Grecin Bakumanya	7-0	C	Arlington, TX Pontego Christian Academy
90.	Alani Moore	5-8	PG	Hyattsville, MD DeMatha
91.	Raekwon Long	7-0	C	Georgetown, KY Scott County
92.	Quentin Goodin	6-2	SG	Campbellsville, KY Taylor County
93.	Malik Dow	6-3	SG	Louisville, KY Ballard
94.	Alonzo Chatman	6-8	C	Chicago IL Morgan Park
95.	Bryce Aiken	5-8	PG	Elizabeth, NJ The Patrick School
96.	Payton Pritchard	5-11	PG	West Linn, OR High
97.	Ray Salnave	6-2	SG	Bayside, NY Cardozo
98.	Vijay Blackmon	6-2	SG	Marion, IN High
99.	Brendon Gooch	6-5	WF	Belleville, IL Althoff
100.	Davion Thomas	6-8	PF	Columbus, GA Northside

TOP 50



DeAndre Ayton

1	DeAndre Ayton	6-10	Detroit, San Diego CA Balboa City	Very promising big man. He has all of the natural tools and physical skills to be the dominate big man in his class.
2	Brian Bowan	6-6	Saginaw MI Arthur Hill	Multi-dimensional perimeter player. Has the scoring skills to be a threat anywhere within the NBA 3-point line.
3	Cody Riley	6-7	Chatsworth CA Sierra Canyon	Extremely physical and athletic forward. Competes hard on every play.

4.	Jaliek Felton	6-3	SF	Detroit, Mullins SC High
5.	Jarred Vanderbilt	6-6	WF	Houston TX Victory Prep
6.	Billy Preston	6-8	WF	Bellflower CA St. John Bosco
7.	Austin Wiley	6-9	C	Hoover AL Spain Park
8.	Oumar Keita	6-10	C	Hazard KY Cordia
9.	Isaiah Stokes	6-8	PF	Memphis TN Southwind
10.	D.J. Harvey	6-6	WF	Hyattsville MD DeMatha
11.	Jordan Tucker	6-7	W/PF	White Plains NY High
12.	Jeremiah Tillman	6-9	C	East St. Louis IL High
13.	Wendell Carter	6-9	C	Atlanta GA Fulton Leadership Academy
14.	Michael Porter	6-5	WF	Columbia MO Father Tolton
15.	Ira Lee	6-8	PF	Chatsworth CA Sierra Canyon
16.	Jermaine Samuels	6-5	WF	Franklin Rivers MA High
17.	Terrence Lewis	6-3	SG	Madison, WI Memorial
18.	Tomas Murphy	6-8	PF	Wakefield RI The Prout School
19.	Chyree Walker	6-3	SG	Fairfax VA Paul VI
20.	Troy Brown	6-6	WF	Las Vegas NV Centennial
21.	Chris Giles	6-2	SG	Plano TX West
22.	Blake Williams	5-10	PG	Memphis TN White Station
23.	James Walker	6-5	WF	Atlanta GA Southwest Atlanta Christian
24.	Abule Abadi	6-6	W/PF	Coral Springs, FL Christian
25.	Matur Maker	6-9	C	Axton VA Carlisle School
26.	Victor Enoch	6-9	C	Decatur GA Greenforest Christian
27.	Christian Popoola	5-10	PG	Las Vegas NV Bishop Gorman
28.	Nick Richards	6-10	C	Manhasset NY St. Mary's
29.	Quade Green	6-1	P/SG	Philadelphia PA Neumann-Goretti
30.	P.J. Washington	6-7	PF	Frisco, TX Lone Star High
31.	Paul Scruggs	6-3	SG	Indianapolis IN Southport
32.	Romello Burrell	6-4	WF	Chicago IL Marist
33.	Justin Roberts	5-11	PG	Indianapolis IN Pike
34.	Kelvin Calhoun	6-5	P/WF	Lakewood OH St. Edward
35.	Jeremiah Allen	6-8	PF	Bryan TX Home School
36.	Trevon Duvall	6-2	SG	Newark NJ St. Benedict's
37.	Kimani Lawrence	6-4	WF	Ashburnham MA Cushing Academy
38.	Charles O'Bannon	6-3	SG	Las Vegas NV Bishop Gorman
39.	Alonzo Verge	6-3	SG	Willowbrook IL High
40.	Darius Banks	6-5	SG	St. Petersburg FL High
41.	Sidney Wilson	6-6	WF	Bronx NY St. Raymond's
42.	Matt Coleman	6-0	PG	Norfolk VA Maury
43.	Connor McCaffery	6-5	SG	Iowa City IA West
44.	David Caraher	6-5	WF	Chapel Hill, NC High
45.	Isaiah Jacey	6-9	C/PF	Killeen TX Ellison
46.	Preston Horne	6-5	WF	Tifton, GA Tift County
47.	Shaheed Haines	6-3	SG	Philadelphia PA Imhotep Charter
48.	Alfred Hollins	6-3	SG	San Francisco CA Sacret Heart
49.	Timmel Eggleston	6-5	W/PF	Baltimore, MD St. Francis
50.	Jamal Johnson	6-3	SG	Harvest AL Sparkman

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