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Boys Basketball



Updates (12/18/17)



2019 6'1 PG RayJ Dennis (Oswego East HS, IL)

Update: The smooth, high-IQ guard has taken unofficial visits to Northern IL, University of Illinois, and UW-Milwaukee. Drake and Lehigh have expressed early interest.



2018 6'2 PG Isaiah Fuller (Oak Park-River Forest HS, IL)

Update: the consensus in the media/among college coaches is now that Fuller is at least sure-fire division two scholarship player. Fuller now sports a D2 offer from Northern Michigan and is talking to coaches from Ohio Dominican.



2018 6'5 F Luke Nauman (St. Ignatius HS, IL)

Update: Nauman is considering Loras College, John Carroll University, University of St. Thomas, and potential D1 preferred walk-on opportunities.



2018 6'5 F Daniel Pontnack (Sterling HS, IL)

Update: the athletic forward holds a scholarship offer from NAIA Judson University, and he's also become a priority for D3 Benedictine University. Monmouth College and Quincy University are also in on Pontnack's recruitment.



2018 6'1 G Zach Robinson (St. Charles East HS, IL)

Update: Robinson, a comboguard who can score from anywhere on the floor, has visited St. Norbert College and UW – Oshkosh. Ripon College HC Ryan Kane watched him at East this week.



2018 6'7 F Josh Sorenson (Wheaton North HS, IL)

Update: Sorenson's recruitment is unique in that he will begin college in the fall of 2020 after a two-year mission trip. An engineering program is a priority for Josh when he returns, and Rose-Hulman and North Central College are most actively recruiting him.



2018 6'1 G Ben Tompson (Bartlett HS, IL)

Update: Loras College HC Chris Martin met with Tompson, who is currently out with an ankle injury, this week. St. Ambrose and Augustana are also on the tough guard.



2018 6'5 F Kellen Witherell (Glenbrook North HS, IL)

Update: the high-academic stretch '4' has visited Kenyon College and the University of Chicago, and he's also being actively recruited by Carnegie Mellon and New York University. Witherell is just returning to action after breaking his nose in a game a few weeks ago.

Commitments



2018 6'5 F Ryan Barker (Lyons Township HS, IL)

Commitment: Loras College (D3)
Story: Last week, Barker committed to Loras, whose coaches have been incredibly supportive of him during his recovery from a torn ACL. Barker is a versatile and athletic forward who will bring toughness to Loras.



2018 6'5 F Jared Crutcher (West Aurora HS, IL)

Commitment: Loras College (D3)
Story: In a move surprising many college coaches, the long and athletic Crutcher pledged to Loras College this week. Crutcher, who has a 7'3 wingspan, is one of the state's premier rebounders and shot-blockers.



Performances of the Week



2018 6'5 Wing JD Gunn (Wheaton Academy, IL)

Performance: Gunn scored 15 points to go along with 10 rebounds in a Wheaton Academy win over Illiana Christian.



2018 5'10 G Jake Healy (Wheaton-Warrenville South HS, IL)

Performance: Behind Healy's leadership, Wheaton-Warrenville South is undefeated yet again. Healy scored 24 points for South in a blowout win over Neuqua Valley on Friday.



2018 6'5 G Kyle LeFevre (Batavia HS, IL)

Performance: Coming off the bench against rival Geneva, LeFevre scored 25 points to lead Batavia to a win.



2018 6'6 F Ethan Schuemer (Willowbrook HS, IL)

Performance: The St. Cloud State (D2) commit had a monster game against conference rival Hinsdale South and Iowa State commit Zion Griffin, scoring 20 points, pulling down 15 rebounds, and blocking 5 shots. Schuemer surpassed 1000 career points in the game.



Alumni Spotlight



2015 6'3 G Ryan DiCanio (Bartlett HS, IL)

Current School: Loras College (D3)
Update: DiCanio poured in 22 points and added 10 rebounds in Loras' win over CCIW opponent Carroll University Sunday evening. On the year, DiCanio is averaging 16.4 PPG and 6.4 RPG, and he is now less than 200 points from 1000 on his Loras career.



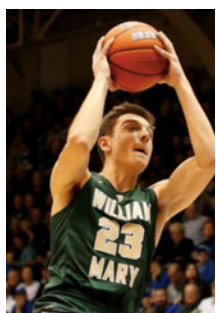
2015 6'7 F Nate Navigato (Geneva HS, IL)

Current School: Toledo University (D1)
Update: In a tight loss to Wright State Saturday, Navigato posted 16 points, 4 assists, and 4 rebounds for Toledo. The former all-state forward is averaging 14.4 PPG and 5 RPG while shooting 43% from the field and 40% from beyond the arc this year.



2017 6'1 PG Jack Nolan (Benet Academy, IL)

Current School: Washington University in St. Louis (D3)
Update: Nolan had the biggest game of his young college career at Illinois Wesleyan on Sunday, as he scored 23 points on 9-11 shooting for top-10 ranked Washington University in St. Louis. As a freshman, Nolan is averaging almost 20 minutes per game while scoring over 10 PPG and shooting 49% from the field.



2016 6'7 Wing Justin Pierce (Glenbard West HS, IL)

Current School: College of William & Mary (D1)
Update: The picture of efficiency in high school, Pierce has remained one of the nation's most efficient players at the college level. On top of averaging 14 PPG and 9.1 RPG as a sophomore, Pierce is shooting 51.9% from the field, 42.3% from '3', and 90.1% from the freethrow line. He put up 20 points and 10 rebounds in a win Saturday.



Football

Updates (12/18/17)



2020 OL Sean Carpenter (Fenwick HS, IL)

Update: The 6'4. 240 lb sophomore lineman has received a flurry of early interest and camp invites from the likes of Iowa State, Penn State, and Arkansas.



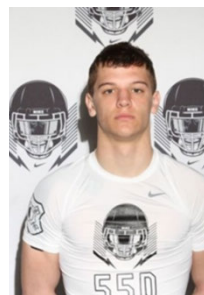
2019 QB Matthew Rush (Hinsdale Central HS, IL)

Update: Rush is a dual-sport star who is also playing basketball for Hinsdale Central right now. As a QB, though, he has attracted the interest of several Ivy League programs, including Dartmouth and Columbia.



2020 QB Danny Cronin (Fenwick HS, IL)

Update: After starting at quarterback for Fenwick's varsity team as a sophomore, Columbia University is one of the earliest schools to express interest in Cronin.



2018 WR Caleb Price (Arlington HS, OH)

Update: Walsh University (D2) and Adrian University (D3) both visited Price at Arlington HS this past week. Youngstown State (D1) continues to follow the senior wide receiver, as does Urbana University (D2).



2018 OL Anthony Leopold (Fenwick HS, IL)

Update: The All-Conference OL is hearing from University of St. Thomas, St. Norbert College, and Catholic University. He is also exploring D1 preferred walk-on opportunities.



2018 OL Kevin Skonning (Lyons Township HS, IL)

Update: After earning a scholarship offer from Wayne State University (D1) at the beginning of last week, Skonning landed another offer from the University of Findlay (D2) only a few days later.



2018 DT Michael Leopold (Fenwick HS, IL)

Update: Like his brother, Anthony, Michael was All-Conference as a senior. He is also looking at University of St. Thomas, St. Norbert College, Catholic University, and preferred walk-on opportunities at the D1 level.



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