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Boys Basketball



Updates (1/2/18)



2018 6'5 G Isayas Aris (Chicago Christian HS, IL)

Update: The uber-athletic late-blooming guard had a big holiday tournament, attracting the attention of Chicago State University (D1). Madonna & Vanguard (NAIA) are also on Aris.



2018 5'10 PG Chris Calhoun Jr. (Chicago Agricultural HS, IL)

Update: Calhoun – a quick, lengthy, smart lead guard – has garnered interest from several programs at various levels over the past few weeks, including Blackburn College (D3) and Governor's State University (NAIA), who watched him live last week.



2018 6' G Rhett Espe (Kaneland HS, IL)

Update: One of the steadiest and most consistent guards in our 2018 class, Espe is focusing primarily on Lakeland University (D3) and the University of Dubuque (D3) at this time.



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

Update: The unanimous first team All-Tournament selection at the Pontiac Holiday tournament stands to see his recruitment explode heading into the new year. Rockhurst University (D2) watched him last week, and Ohio Dominican (D2) remains in touch.



2018 6'2 Gs Keegan & Kyle Graebner (Minooka HS, IL)

Update: St. Ambrose (NAIA), Benedictine (D3), North Central (D3), Rockford (D3), Aurora (D3), and Cornell (D3) watched the twins multiple times at York over the holidays. The Graebner boys have visited all of these schools and are sorting through their options.



2018 6'6 G Kam Mack (Jacobs HS, IL)

Update: Mack remains one of the highest-upside small-college prospects in the state of Illinois. D3 programs Augustana, IL Wesleyan, North Central, IIT, and Washington University in St. Louis have been in constant contact, and he holds a scholarship offer from NAIA Stockton-Culverson.



2018 6'5 G Eric Peterson (Batavia HS, IL)

Update: After being named All-Tournament at York, Peterson attracted the attention of Ferris State (D2). His current focus is primarily on UW-Oshkosh (D3), Augustana (D3), and St. Norbert (D3), and he is likely to schedule a visit or two in the near future.



2018 6'1 G Daniel Raab (Naperville Central HS, IL)

Update: The bouncy high-academic shooter had several big performances at Dekalb's holiday tournament. He is awaiting an admissions decision from the University of Chicago (D3), which is his top choice.



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Performances of the Week

Alumni Spotlight



2019 6'3 F Maggie Bair (Glenbard South HS, IL)

Performance: The recent Drake University (D1) commit posted a monster 16-point, 23-rebound performance to lead Glenbard South to their first championship at the Wheaton North holiday tournament.



2018 5'10 PG Chris Calhoun Jr. (Chicago Agricultural HS, IL)

Performance: At the Big Dipper holiday tournament, Calhoun scored 23 points and dished out 6 assists against state-ranked Romeoville. Calhoun added 4 steals in the game.



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

Performance: The Loras College (D3) commit had 16 points and 14 rebounds in a win over Warren at the Pontiac holiday tournament.



2018 6'6 F Kyle King (St. Charles North HS, IL)

Performance: King, who remains one of the state's most under-recruited big men, led St. Charles North to a win over conference rival Batavia by scoring 27 points and pulling down 10 rebounds.



2014 6'8 F Gordon Behr (Wheaton Academy, IL)

Current School: Hillsdale College (D2)
Update: Against Ohio Dominican, Behr put up a 19-point, 11-rebound double-double. Behr, who is currently a redshirt junior, has started all 15 games this season for 12-3 Hillsdale while averaging 9 PPG and 6.4 RPG.



2016 6'8 F Bennett Fuzak (Geneva HS, IL)

Current School: University of North Georgia (D2)
Update: Fuzak has started the last 3 games for UNG after scoring 15 points and pulling down 6 rebounds in a win over Flagler. The sophomore is averaging 7.7 PPG and 3.6 RPG while shooting 40% from beyond the arc.



2016 6'2 G Karson Hayes (McClellan HS, AR)

Current School: Blackburn College (D3)
Update: Hayes' sophomore season at Blackburn is off to a great start. In his most recent game, Hayes scored 17 points to go along with 3 rebounds in a win over Finlandia. He's now averaging 12 PPG for the Beavers while shooting 50% from '3' and 44.6% from the field.



2017 6'6 G Rowan McGowen (Wheaton North HS, IL)

Current School: Loras College (D3)
Update: Known as a perimeter sharp-shooter in high school, McGowen has not slowed down during his freshman season. He scored 26 points and grabbed 6 rebounds in a 165-89 Loras win last weekend, and he's now averaging 13.2 PPG while shooting an unbelievable 52.2% from '3' as a freshman.



Football

Due to the current recruiting dead period, there are no updates for ongoing recruitments this week

Commitments

2018 OL Kevin Skonning (Lyons Township HS, IL)



Commitment: Wayne State University (D2)

Story: Skonning verbally accepted a scholarship at Wayne State right before the holidays, choosing Wayne State over other D2, D3, and D1 preferred walk-on opportunities.



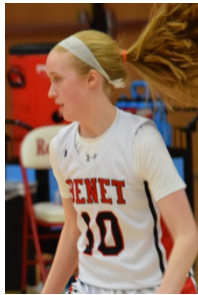
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Girls Basketball

Updates (1/2/18)

2019 5'8 G Quin Earley (Benet Academy, IL)



Update: The high-academic perimeter shooter had a solid holiday tournament for Benet, and Johns Hopkins University (D3) stopped in last week to see her. Earley also attended a Loras College (D3) game last week.

2018 5'11 F Kelle Knopp (Plainfield North HS, IL)



Update: After securing her 1,000th career rebound last week (she now holds Plainfield North's rebounding record by over 300 rebounds), Knopp took a visit to Barton College (D2) in North Carolina this weekend. She is also considering D3 programs such as Millikin University and Illinois Wesleyan University.

2018 5'7 PG Sofia Radice (West Chicago HS, IL)



Update: Radice's recruitment is expected to blow up as the new year begins, and the most active recent suitor is NAIA Clarke University.

2019 5'11 F Kristin Ralston (Glenbrook South HS, IL)



Update: During the first three games of her holiday tournament, the high-academic Ralston scored 19, 16, and 27 points, respectively. She has been in contact with multiple Ivy League schools who are expected to continue recruiting her throughout the rest of this season and into the summer.

Commitments

2019 6'3 F Maggie Bair (Glenbard South HS, IL)



Commitment: Drake University (D1)
Story: Bair became the first Dark Horse athlete in the 2019 class to commit when she pledged to Drake prior to the holidays. Bair chose Drake over several other division one and two scholarship offers because of the family atmosphere she felt when she visited Drake in the fall. For more information on Maggie's commitment, check out her commitment report at DarkHorseRecruits.com.



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