



PRESS RELEASE

Top 20 High School Seniors Selected for 2010 WBCA High School All–America Game presented by Nike

ATLANTA, Ga. (February 9, 2010) -- The Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) announced today the nation's top 20 girls' basketball players selected to participate in the 19th annual WBCA High School All–America Game *presented by Nike*.

The players who have been chosen will be divided into two teams of 10 players. The college–style regulation game is scheduled to tip off at 4:30 p.m. CT on Saturday, April 3, at the Alamodome in San Antonio, Texas. This highly–anticipated event is part of the WBCA National Convention, which takes place at the site of the NCAA® Women's Final Four®. This year's event will be the first to be played on the same court as the NCAA Women's Final Four. The game is free to the public, however tickets for seating in a reserved section are available at www.wbca.org.

"The future of women's basketball looks bright when you consider the 20 members of this year's High School All–America Team," said WBCA CEO Beth Bass. "I always look forward to watching this group in action at the WBCA High School All–America Game *presented by Nike*. It will be even more exciting for both spectators and the team with the change of venue to the NCAA Women's Final Four floor!"

Below is the list of players selected to participate in the 2010 WBCA High School All–America Game *presented by Nike*:

Name	High School	Hometown	Signed
Lauren Avant	Lausanne Collegiate School	Memphis, Tenn.	Tennessee Boston College
Kristen Doherty	Sachem East High School	Holtsville, N.Y.	Penn State
Ariel Edwards	Christ the King Regional H.S.	Elmont, N.Y. College Station, Texas	Texas A&M Duke
Karla Gilbert	A&M Consolidated H.S.	Manteca, Calif.	USC
Chelsea Gray	Saint Mary's High School	San Clemente, Calif.	UConn
Cassie Harberts	San Clemente High School	North Babylon, N.Y.	Alabama
Bria Hartley	North Babylon High School	Birmingham, Ala.	Florida State
Kaneisha Horn	Ramsay High School	Toledo, Ohio	Midwest City,
Natasha Howard	Morrison R. Waite High School		

Richa Jackson	Midwest City High School	Okla. El Dorado Hills, Calif.	Duke Stanford
Sara James Afure	Oak Ridge High School		
Jemerigbe	Saint Mary's High School	Stockton, Calif.	California
Tiffany Moore Chiney	Frisco High School	Frisco, Texas	Texas
Ogwumike	Cy-Fair High School	Cypress, Texas	Stanford
Jennifer O'neill Shoni	Saint Michael Academy	Bronx, N.Y.	Kentucky
Schimmel	Franklin High School	Portland, Ore.	Undeclared
Lindsay Sherbert	Great Oak High School	Temecula, Calif.	California
Meighan Simmons	Byron P. Steele High School	Cibolo, Texas	Tennessee
	Irving MacArthur High School	Irving, Texas	Baylor
Odyssey Sims	Chaminade-Julienne Catholic H.S.	West Carrollton, Ohio	UConn

“Congratulations to the 20-member WBCA High School All–America Team,” said Gary Glasscock, Chairman of the WBCA High School All–America Team Selection Committee. “They are among the best high school players in the USA and their hard work, commitment and dedication to this great game made it possible to reach this plateau. A special thanks to the selection committee who worked hard behind the scenes in fulfilling such as arduous task of selecting the nation’s top players. Good luck to all the girls in San Antonio, and also on their promising collegiate, and possibly professional careers.”

A committee of WBCA–member high school coaches who represent nine geographical districts from across the nation selected the all–America squad. The 2010 WBCA High School All–America Game Selection Committee is comprised of: Gary Glasscock (Chair – St. Louis Metro Academic and Classical High School), Stacy Bilodeau (District 1 – Walpole High School), Bob Mackey (District 2 – Christ the King High School), Brian Robinson (District 3 – Bishop McGuinness High School), Pat Diulus (District 4 –Regina High School), Kelly Flynn (District 5 – South Sioux City High School), Teri Morrison (District 6 – Midway High School), Gail Hook (District 7 – Monarch High School), James Anderson (District 8 – Narbonne High School), Robert Mosley (District 9 – Ramsay High School), Brad Smith (Past Chair – Oregon City High School) and Daniella Trujillo (WBCA Staff Liaison).

This marks the 19th year that the WBCA has sanctioned a girls’ high school all–America team. The inaugural WBCA High School All–America Game was held April 17, 1992 at Oman Arena in Jackson, Tenn. The second and third annual games were also played at Oman Arena. The 1995 game, which marked the beginning of Nike's title sponsorship, was played in Altoona, Penn. The event moved east to Philadelphia in 1996 and south to Nashville in 1997. The game was then held in Hartford, Conn. from 1998 until 2002. The game made its debut as part of the “WBCA Night of All–Stars” in 2003 and now stands on its own at the site of the WBCA National Convention each year.

“Nike is honored to partner with the WBCA on this prestigious event,” said Jill Pizzotti, Nike’s Women’s College and Girls Elite Youth Basketball Manager. “The WBCA High School All–America Game provides the elite players from across the country the opportunity to compete and showcase their talents during the highlight of the women’s basketball season – the NCAA Women’s Final Four in San Antonio, Texas! Nike recognizes the importance of providing opportunities for girls in sport. These 20 selected all–Americans are the future of women's basketball.”

The 2010 class of WBCA High School All–Americans joins the list of well–known past participants including Tamika Catchings, Chamique Holdsclaw, Katie Smith, Sue Bird, Diana Taurasi, Alana Beard, Maya Moore and Brittney Griner.

The following 20 players have received Honorable Mention for the 2010 WBCA High School All–America Game *presented by Nike*:

Name	High School	Hometown	Signed
Stefanie Dolson	Minisink Valley High School	Slate Hill, N.Y.	UConn
Jennifer Hamson	Pleasant Grove High School	Pleasant Grove, Utah	Brigham Young
Jazmin Hitchens	Incarnate Word Academy	St. Louis, Mo.	Ball State
Jordan Hooper	Alliance High School	Alliance, Neb.	Nebraska
Christina Jacobson	Max Public K–12	Max, N.D.	Undeclared
Jacqueline Jeffcoat	Plano West High School	Dallas, Texas	Oklahoma
Jeanne Kenney	Saint Michael The Archangel HS	Baton Rouge, La.	LSU
Tyaunna Marshall	Elizabeth Seton	Upper Marlboro, Md.	Georgia Tech Georgia Tech
Dawnn Maye	Dillard High School	Laudergill, Fla.	Tech
Kayla McBride	Villa Maria Academy	Erie, Pa.	Notre Dame
Valencia McFarland	Raymond High School	Edward, Miss.	Mississippi
Suriya McGuire	Roosevelt High School	Minneapolis, Minn.	Miami
Vicky McIntyre	Omaha Marian High School	Omaha, Neb.	Undeclared
Khaalidah Miller	Douglass High School	Mableton, Ga.	Georgia
Haley Peters	The Peddie School	Shrewsbury, N.J.	Duke
Theresa Plaisance	Vanderbilt Catholic High School	Terrebonne Parish, La.	LSU
Ronika Ransford	Howard D. Woodson HS	Washington, D.C.	Georgia
Alyssa Thomas	Central Dauphin High School	Harrisburg, Pa.	Maryland
Carli Tritz	Bishop Heelan High School	Sioux City, Iowa	Creighton
Madison	Detroit Country Day		Michigan

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