



PRESS RELEASE

Top High School Seniors Selected to Play in 2012 WBCA High School All–America Game presented by NIKE

ATLANTA (Feb. 8, 2012) – The Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) announced the participants for the 2012 WBCA High School All–America Game presented by NIKE on Wednesday. The nation's top 20 high school senior girls' basketball players have been selected to compete in the annual game.

The 21st annual All–America Game, which is held as part of the WBCA National Convention, will be played Saturday, March 31, 2012, at the Pepsi Center, in Denver, site of the 2012 NCAA® Women's Final Four®. Tipoff is 4:30 p.m. MT. For the third consecutive year, the game will be played on the official NCAA Women's Final Four court. The 20 players will be divided into two 10–player teams for the game, which will be played according to NCAA rules.

"The 20 members of this year's High School All–America Team are the future of women's basketball," 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, and it will be great to see them play on the Final Four court in Denver."

Here are the 20 players selected to participate in the 2012 WBCA High School All–America Game presented by NIKE:

Name	School	Hometown	Signed
Jordan Adams	Mater Dei HS	Irvine, Calif.	USC
Kahleah Copper	Prep Charter HS	Philadelphia, Pa.	Rutgers
Nirra Fields	Mater Dei HS	South Euclid, Ohio	UCLA
Bashaara Graves	Clarksville HS	Clarksville, Tenn.	Tennessee
Malina Howard	Twinsburg HS	Twinsburg, Ohio	Maryland
Moriah Jefferson	Texas Home Ed Sports Assoc.	Glenn Heights, Texas	Connecticut
Alexis Jones	MacArthur HS	Irving, Texas	Duke
Jasmine Jones	Bob Jones HS	Madison, Ala.	Undeclared
Jonquel Jones	Riverdale Baptist HS	Ellicott City, Md.	Clemson
Jordan Jones	DeSoto HS	DeSoto, Texas	Texas A&M
Nicole Kornet	Liberty Christian School	Lantana, Texas	Oklahoma
Jewell Loyd	Niles West HS	Lincolnwood, Ill.	Notre Dame
Michaela Mabrey	Manasquan HS	Holmdel, N.J.	Notre Dame
Xylina McDaniel	Spring Valley HS	Blythewood, S.C.	North Carolina
Tierney Pфирman	South Williamsport HS	Williamsport, Pa.	Maryland
Alexis Prince	Edgewater HS	Maitland, Fla.	Baylor
Imani Stafford	Windward School	Los Angeles, Calif.	Texas

Breanna Stewart	Cicero–North Syracuse HS	North Syracuse, N.Y.	Connecticut
Morgan Tuck	Bolingbrook HS	Bolingbrook, Ill.	Connecticut
Courtney Williams	North Shore HS	Houston, Texas	Texas A&M

The inaugural WBCA High School All–America Game was played April 17, 1992, at Oman Arena in Jackson, Tenn. The 2012 class of WBCA High School All–Americans joins a long list of well–known past participants including Tamika Catchings, Chamique Holdsclaw, Katie Smith, Sue Bird, Diana Taurasi, Alana Beard, Maya Moore and Brittney Griner.

"In continuing to elevate women's basketball and the future growth of the game, we at Nike are proud to be the presenting sponsor of the 2012 WBCA High School All–America Game," said Lauren Westendorf, Nike's Women's College Basketball Manager. "Each and every year, the country's best young talent is put on display to showcase their abilities and to provide a preview into tomorrow's great basketball stars. Nike recognizes the importance of providing opportunities for girls in sport and these 20 selected All–Americans are the future of women's basketball."

Any graduating senior can be nominated for the WBCA High School All–America Team by a high school or AAU coach who is an active WBCA member. College coaches are not eligible to nominate a player for consideration. The 20–player All–America team and a 20–player honorable mention are selected from the nominees by a selection committee composed of WBCA–member girls' high school basketball coaches who represent nine geographical districts across the country.

"On behalf of the nine–member selection committee, congratulations to the 20 players making up the 2012 WBCA High School All–American Team," said Kernersville (N.C.) Bishop Mcguinness High School head coach Brian Robinson, who chairs the WBCA High School All–America Selection Committee. "The committee did a wonderful job in the selection of this team, and these 20 players should be wonderful representatives of not only their districts, and their current and future schools, but also of the WBCA."

Joining Robinson on this year's selection committee are Stacy Bilodeau, Walpole (Mass.) High School; Pat Diulus, Lake Ridge Acedemy (Ohio) High School; Matt Fritsche, Bellevue West (Neb.) High School; Angie Hembree, Norcross (Ga.) High School; Gail Hook, Monarch (Colo.) High School; Bob Mackey, Christ the King (N.Y.) High School; Teri Morrison, Carroll Senior (Texas) High School; Jody Patrick, Flint Hill School (Va.); Kevin Kiernan, Mater Dei (Calif.) High School; and Gary Glasscock, Metro High School (Mo.) who is past chair. WBCA Manager of Events, Awards & Office Administration Daniella Trujillo is staff liaison to the committee.

"There is an incredible amount of talent in this class, including a number of players that have played for our country through international competition," Robinson said. "We look forward to a great game in Denver!"

Here are the 20 players receiving WBCA High School All–America honorable mention:

Name	School	Hometown	Signed
Brandais Agee	Cass Technical HS	Detroit, Mich.	Michigan State

Candice Agee	Silverado HS	Victorville, Calif.	Penn State
Shacobia Barbee	Riverdale HS	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	Georgia
Destiny Brown	Gateway Senior HS	Monroeville, Pa.	Baylor
Brianna Butler	Nazareth Regional HS	Philadelphia, Pa.	Syracuse
Hannah Huffman	Carondelet HS	Concord, Calif.	Notre Dame
Brittany Jackson	Sebastian River HS	Sebastian, Fla.	Georgia Tech
Niya Johnson	P.K. Yonge School	Gainesville, Fla.	Baylor
Peyton Little	Wylie HS	Abilene, Texas	Texas A&M
Taylor Manuel	Incarnate Word Academy	St. Louis, Mo.	Purdue
Brittney Martin	Syracuse HS	West Point, Utah	Oklahoma State
Sydney Moss	Boone County HS	Union, Ky.	Florida
Faith Randolph	Good Counsel H	Derwood, Md.	Virginia
Mooriah Rowser	St. John's College HS	Rockville, Md.	Memphis
Jamee Swan	Marana HS	Tucson, Ariz.	Colorado
Brittney Sykes	University HS	Newark, N.J.	Syracuse
ShilpaTummala	St. Marys HS	Phoenix, Ariz.	Harvard
Courtney Walker	Edmond Santa Fe HS	Oklahoma City, Okla.	Texas A&M
Cortnee Walton	St. Marys HS	Surprise, Ariz.	Louisville
Aaliyah Williams	Memphis Central HS	Memphis, Tenn.	Georgia Tech

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Founded in 1981, the Women's Basketball Coaches Association promotes women's basketball by unifying coaches at all levels to develop a reputable identity for the sport and to foster and promote the development of the game as a sport for women and girls. The WBCA is pleased to join the women's sports community in commemorating the 40th anniversary of Title IX, which was passed by Congress on June 23, 1972, and provides females with equal opportunities in athletics in the U.S. For more information on the WBCA, please visit wbca.org.