

2014 Capital Shootout Standouts



Joshua Reeves—(2019) 5'9" Guard, Hamden, CT,— Strong physical guard that plays well above his age. 13 Years old playing for a 17U team. Can play with the ball or off the ball. Gets into the paint and is undeterred by contact. Is a physical guard that stays low to the ground with a deceptive cross-over. Still a few years removed from being elite but has the tools of a future star.

8th Grade



Connor Raines—(2019) 6'2" G/F, Beacon Falls CT— Great size and skill for his age. Connor stands tall amongst his competitors and is able to see over the top of the defense for passes to his teammates. He showed a good understanding of where the ball will be and grabbed plenty of rebounds and chased down the loose balls usually winning the 50/50 battles. Connor played up this past weekend with the 17U team and more than held his own against the older, stronger competitors. Has a frame that will allow him to gain muscle which will help him finish in the lane.

8th Grade



Joseph Sigillo,(2018), F, 6'0", Danbury High School, Danbury, CT—Joseph is a strong forward that is able to initiate the offense for his teammates in a variety of ways. He rebounded strongly with both hands and outlet the ball to initiate a break. His hustle usually found him on the receiving end of a pass from the break he started. He has enough of a handle to move over to the guard spot if needed and was able to initiate the offense from the high post. His energy and effort alone led to easy baskets in transition.

9th Grade



Lawrens Buissereth—(2018), G, 5'10", Danbury High School, Danbury, CT— Lawrens is a defend first, pass second, shoot third guard. He has a point guard mentality in the sense that he looks to set up the offense for his teammates. When his number is called, he is a strong guard that can get into the lane and finish through contact. He is also capable of hitting the outside jumper throughout the games. Currently, his calling card is his defense and he pressures his opponent end line to end line. Active hands led to several steals.

9th Grade



Ronan Doherty—(2018), G/F, 5' 10", Immaculate High School, Danbury, CT— Did a little bit of everything over the weekend. Double digit scorer that can hit the three with consistency. Rebounded the ball and assisted the ball. May have averaged 10 pt, 5 Rbs, 5 Ast in his games. Surprisingly athletic and quick. Is able to play the guard spot and went into the low post to rebound and defend. Demonstrated good leadership qualities.

9th Grade



Kevin Reddler—(2018) 6'1" G/F University High School, Hartford, CT— Kevin is a young player with a mature game. He can go off the bounce and get into the lane and finish strongly. He also stretches the defense because he shoots the 3 at a high clip. Defensively he has very active hands which allowed him to tip away passes for run-outs. Very active defensively and can be disruptive.

9th Grade



Melvin Floyd—(2018) 6'1" F University High School, Hartford, CT— Melvin played big and strong in the paint for his team. Has a strong knack for reading the boards off the missed and races to the ball before his opponent. Can finish inside through traffic and always appeared to have his hands ready. Rarely outmuscled in the paint and played defense straight up. Showed good form from the 15 Ft area but seemed hesitant to shoot. Curious to see how his game progresses going forward.

9th Grade



Matthew Kronenberg—(2017) G, 5'8" Wilton High School, Wilton, CT— Matthew is a very heady player that seems the floor very well. He did a good job of waiting on his sets before forcing the offense. His ability to hit the 3 was on display this past weekend and that allowed him to drive to the basket and create for his teammates. Deceptively quick with the ball.

10th Grade



Sunday Okeke—(2017) F, 6'8", Green Farms Academy, Westport, CT— Sunday was clearly the most imposing player on the court this weekend. With his pro ready body, defenders were bouncing off of him in the paint. Sunday plays with a calm that belies his years. Despite his superior frame, he did not force the issue rather just play within the offense. Several times this weekend he stepped outside and hit some very clean 15 footers. Has deft touch inside the paint and can finish with either hand. Also had some very loud blocks throughout the weekend. He grabs rebounds at a high rate and looks to outlet when he cans. If he develops a go-to post move, it will be very hard for defenses to contain him.

10th Grade



Evan Roteman—(2017) G, 5'10", Green Farms Academy, Westport, CT – A lightning quick guard that got into the lane all weekend and finished his lay-ups with either hand. Rebounds well for his position and skied for some offensive rebounds out of his area. Moves his hands and feet very quickly on defense making it hard for his opponent to just dribble down unimpeded. Creative playmaker that doled out plenty of assists.

10th Grade



Alex Preston—(2017) F, 6’7”, Darien High School, Darien, CT– Alex was a presence on the floor both defensively and off the boards. He was able to swat away multiple shots and secure the rebound for his team mates. He showed a nice jump hook in the lane that proved difficult to defend. Although thin, he showed a desire to bang inside the paint and got his hands on multiple offensive rebounds for put-backs. Passes well for a big man and see’s the cutters well.

10th Grade



Carter Scott—(2017) , G, 5’10”, Darien High School, Darien, CT– Carter is a tenacious competitor that is not afraid to get into the lane and make a play for himself or his teammates. Has an extremely effective crossover that allows him to get by his defender consistently. Is quite comfortable behind the 3 point arc and made many over the weekend. Carter has active hands that disrupt any loose ball handling or passing.

10th Grade



Jordan Means—(2017) G, F, 6’, Archbishop Stpinac, White Plains, NY– Jordan play with the ball and off the ball. When he had the ball in his hands he was driving hard to the basket looking for scoring opportunities. When he was off the ball, he would pop off screens looking to shoot the basketball. Possesses three point range but did a lot of slashing this weekend. Gambles a lot on defense looking for steals which leads to the offense having the advantage if the steal is not made.

10th Grade



Justin Seideman, (2017) G, 5’10”, Staples High School, Westport, CT– Justin is a pass first guard. He does a really good job of getting everyone involved in the offense. On the break he is always with his head up looking for a passing opportunity. On offense he displays good shooting range from both the mid-range and long-range spots on the floor. Gets into the lane and finishes strongly. He does not back down on defense and really pressures up top.

10th Grade



Peter Kotulsky, (2017) F, 6’6”, Norwalk High School, Norwalk, CT– Deceptively agile player that plays above the rim. Is able to get up for the rebounds and finish high. Does a good job of not bringing the ball down. Can step out and hit the occasional jumper but this weekend took advantage of a lot of weak side rebounds and put-backs. Defensively he stands his man up and fights him all the way to the rim. Blocks lots of shots by keeping his arms straight up. Fundamentally sound.

10th Grade



Reggie Tolliver—(2017) G, 6'0", University High School, Hartford, CT—Reggie is a strong lead guard that has the ability to make plays for others by getting into the lane. Keeps the defense honest because he has the ability to hit the outside jump-shot. Reggie has quick feet and can be a good defender although currently he takes a lot of risk with his hands. Has the ball on a string and is hard to stay in front off. Lots of gifts but focus not always there.

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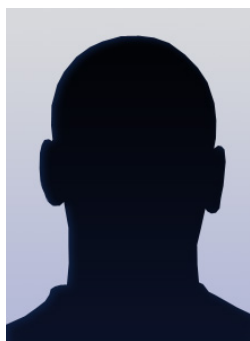
Cobey Adekanbi—(2016) G/F 6'5", Loomis Chaffee, Windsor, CT—Colby is a big guard with great size. He has a very clean and effective jump shot from the 15-18 ft range and made them with consistency. He also has very long arms that allowed him to rebound effectively and block shots. Although he's very capable of scoring in the low post, he prefers to do his work outside. His ball handling is developing and his strength is coming. Has unlimited potential if he's willing to put in the work.

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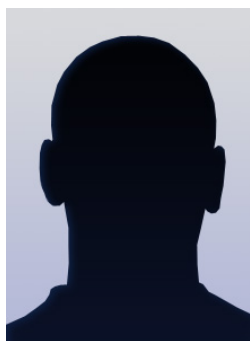
Omar Keita—(2016) G/F, 6'3", Bridgeport Central, Bridgeport, CT—Rumor has it he's only been playing organized basketball for a couple of years. Plays well above the rim and finishes with either hand. His activity and energy were infectious to his teammates especially when his blocks led to a fast break opportunity. Has a very advanced handle that allowed him to take his man off the dribble and into the paint. Needs to use that dribble drive game to make plays for his teammates as well. Demonstrated an ability to hit the open jumper although will need to expand his range to get to that next level.

11th Grade



Shawn Backus—(2016) F, 6'2", Hamden High School, Hamden, CT—Very athletic forward that made a living of driving into the lane for scores. Had a knack to finding an opening in the defense and find the angles of the backboard. Moves his feet well on defense and has long arms that resulted in several deflections. Hit several long jumpers throughout the weekend.

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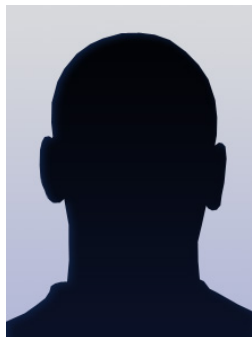
Ray Makusiewicz—(2016) C, 6'4", Sheehan High School, Wallingford, CT—Big bulky player that battled all weekend against taller opponents. Used his girth to get into position in the lane and was able to carve out space for rebounds. Had trouble scoring against the taller players but usually got his own rebound back for multiple attempts. Showed a nice up and under move several times. Played as hard as anyone this past weekend. Effort guy.

11th Grade



Justin Williams—(2016) G,F, 6'4", University High School, Hartford, CT—Justin played all five positions this weekend for the Hawks. Has a decent enough handle to bring the ball up the court and set up the offense. Led his team in scoring in a variety of ways. Banged inside for buckets at the rim and shot several long range 3 pointers during the weekend. Has the ability to do more work in the paint but seems content to float around the outside. Plays at his own pace and never seemed to be in a hurry. Needs to become a more aggressive defender as the Hawks were hammered inside all weekend.

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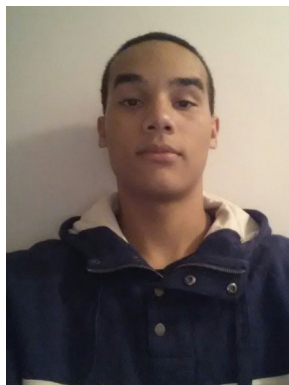
Eddie Volkerts—(2016) G, 6'3", Fitch High School, Groton, CT—Long athletically gifted player that showed incredible range all tournament long. In one game we observed he had 6 three-pointers. Also demonstrated a good handle and was able to finish in the paint high and consistently. On defense he was on top of their press and got his hands on a lot of balls that were converted to easy scores.

11th Grade



Beau Fasida—(2015) F/C, 6'5", Fitch High School, Groton, CT—Incredibly strong and agile big that lived in the paint for easy baskets. He also did a good job of blocking shots and initiating the breaks. Seemed to always be at the right spot at the right time. In one game we saw he scored 4 straight buckets off of offensive rebounds. Very active on the back side of the press and stole many passes that went array.

12th Grade



John Floyd—(2015) F, 6'2", Fitch High School, Groton, CT—Bouncy forward who took advantage of the pressure his teammates applied to score easy baskets. His second jump always took him directly to the rim where he capitalized. On defense he got his hands on many balls and passed ahead to his teammates. Was always alert to the weak side and blocked multiple shots off of his man.

12th Grade



Dontell Glover Jr—(2015) F, 5'11", Hillhouse High School, New Haven, CT—High energy defender that got his hands on a lot of errant passes. Has good defensive balance and was able to keep his man in front of him. Rebounded very well for his size using his quickness to the ball. Showed the ability to finish through contact in the lane.

12th Grade



John Lewis - —(2015) G, 6'0", Hillhouse High School, New Haven, CT—Extremely quick guard that got into the lane at will. Was able to finish inside with either hand or dish out passes to his teammates. On defense has some of the quickest hands we saw all weekend. May have had double digit steals in at least one of the games we observed. Good spot up shooter. This is a push type guard. Looks to run at all times.

12th Grade



Joey Canty—(2016) G, 5'8", Notre Dame—Fairfield, Fairfield, CT—Aggressive play-maker that pushed the ball on offense looking to take advantage of poor transition defense. Is capable of carrying the offensive load for his team when he is hot from the outside. Can play off the ball as well and is a strong screener for his size. On defense he is a bulldog pressure all 94 feet. Very quick first step.

11th Grade



Mark DiLauro—(2015) F, 6'4", North Branford High School, North Branford, CT- — (2015) G, 6'0", Hillhouse High School, New Haven, CT—Good midrange shooter that hits the shot consistently. Is now getting better at attacking the rim where he finishes high and strongly. Very fundamentally sound defensively and will not usually fall for pump fakes. Rebounds the ball on both ends and looks to outlet the pass for a break. Sneaky quick feet that allows him to switch off a big to a guard on a pick.

12th Grade



Will Hardie—(2015) G, 6'3", University High School, Hartford, CT- Strong slashing guard that finishes well above the rim through contact. Is a scorer that finds a variety of ways to put the ball through the hoop. Range extends to the 3 point line. Has active hands and anticipates well and could be a lock-down defender. Does he want to be? His first step is one of the quickest we saw all weekend.

12th Grade

Nik Parker—(2017) G, F, 6'2", Weston High School, Weston, CT—Physically imposing guard/forward that muscled his way to many baskets. Strong-low post defender.

Hayes Kelchner—(2017) F, 6'6", Fairfield Ludlowe, Fairfield, CT—Strong big man that rebounded the ball and finished at the rim with either hand. Great helpside defender cutting off all angles to the rim.

Trevor Biel—(2016) G, 6'0", Sheehan High School, Wallingford, CT—Lethal 3 pt shooter that can stretch out the defense.

Joey Kasperzk—(2016) G/F, 6'2", Hillhouse High School, New Haven, CT—Strong defensive guard that can get out on the break and finish strong. Lock down defender with many steals.

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