



MIDDLE SCHOOL TOP 50 SHOWCASE

Presented by CT Elite Basketball Program

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8th Grade Standouts



Corey Walters, G, Hamden- At times he looked like the best player at the showcase. His ability to push the ball in transition and get to the basket at will makes him a tough player to guard. He was able to finish with both hands through traffic and make the extra play to his teammates. He must continue to develop his mid-range jumpshot and outside jumpshot in order to be effective at the high school level. He is definitely a player with tremendous potential.

Kazel Stewart, F, Middletown- Very athletic big who can play above the rim. He can push the ball on the break and score at will due to his athletic ability and length. Stewart has a nice set shot, but with work he will be ready to step in at the varsity level next year as a freshman.



Shakespeare Rodriguez, G, Wallingford- A very powerful guard who can push the ball in the open floor and finishes at the basket through contact. He made some really impressive passes to his teammates in the open floor.

Tyler Staggs- Burgess, G/F, Stratford- A few weeks off from being cleared due to a broken leg and you can tell he's been in the gym working. Tyler ran the point, battled in the paint with the bigs, and knocked down his mid-range jump shot time after time.

Gavin Grabowski, G, Deep River- Gavin is a smart player who is able to play the backboard well and able to finish among the trees. He's a good spot up shooter with tons of potential.

Rashad Rogers, F, Hartford- A very good inside- out player. His strength makes it easy for him to attack the basket and he does a good job finishing even through contact. He will have to develop an outside shot in order to be successful at the next level.



CJ Coppola, F, West Haven- CJ showed his ability to knock down the open jumpshot from 3 and get to certain spots on the floor to take his mid-range jumpshot, in which he knocked down effortlessly.

Emanuel Rivera, F, Bridgeport- This kid may not seem like much, but his court vision and ability to push the ball in transition makes him fun to watch. He made tough play after play and was streaky from 3 all morning.

Joseph Berkowitz, G, Trumbull- Definitely the best spot up shooter in the gym. He was able to make some plays of his own off the dribble and knock down a few mid range jump shots.

Damiane Gaskin, C, Bridgeport- Definitely the biggest man on the floor this morning. He has raw talent and the potential to be a good player in the future. Being 6'3 and framed like a football player definitely made it easier for him to finish inside.

Nick Parent, G, Avon- Nick is a hardnosed guard who competes at both ends of the floor. He made tons of great moves to the basket and knocked down open jump shots all morning.



7th Grade Standouts



Cooper Stern, G, Fairfield- This kid has game! Skilled PG who can get into the lane at will. He finds his teammates when he gets into the lane, has the ability to knock down the mid-range and 3 point shot.

Peter Boehm, G, Fairfield- Small guard who can score with the best of them. Smooth handle with a nice touch from the outside. He will continue to prove.

Will Barton, G, Meriden- A good spot up shooter who is able to put the ball on the floor and get to the rim. Barton can be a good player in the future if he continues to improve on his speed and first step.

Finn Donelan, G, Fairfield- A smart player who does everything right. He's a glue guy who is crafty around the basket and tends to make the correct play. Definitely a kid that a coach or team would love to have.

Tyler Huff, G, Windsor- A smooth lefty PG who knows how to control his team and the flow of a game. We watched Tyler go one on one for easy baskets, make great passes in pick and roll situations and finish around the hoop time after time.

Alex Kosky, F, East Windsor- A solid big man who can finish around the rim through contact and knock down the mid range jumpshot with consistency.

5/6th Grade Standouts

Eudell Mason Jr., F, Bridgeport- Let's just say he was a man amongst boys for his grade level. He was by far the one of the best players on the court. He showed us that he's capable of doing a little bit of everything.

Sajan Porter, G, Norwalk- By far the best shooter in this group of kids. He was consistent in knocking down his open jump shots from all over the floor. He was able to get to the basket and make some great finishes as well.



Mysonne Pollard, G, Norwalk- This is a kid we have to keep our eyes on. A tough guard who uses his body well to get to the basket and make plays. He hit a few jump shots and set his teammates up for some easy buckets.

Jorydan Davis, G/F, Fairfield- Definitely the best defender on the court. His steals led to layup after layup for himself and his teammates. He has a knack for the basketball and always seems to be in the right place at the right time.



Sebastian Roda, G, Greenwich- A PG who is able to get to the basket, make plays for his teammates and be a leader.

Roderick Olson, F, Stamford- A big man who used his body to rebound and finish around the hoop. He made strong plays throughout the morning and even showed us he was capable of knocking down the 15ft shot.

Justyn Davis, G/F, Fairfield- Justyn had the ability to create for himself and transition and finish around the hoop.

CJ Fay, G, Westport- Only in the 4th grade and this kid can play. He was able to break players down off the dribble and make the extra pass to his teammates. He hit the mid-range jumpshot and finished around the basket when his opportunities were there.