

2007 USA Basketball U19 National Team Candidates

- Athlete Bios •

JAYNE APPEL



36

6-4 • 210 lbs.

Center

May 14, 1988

Stanford University
'10

Pleasant Hill, Calif.

USA Basketball Notes

Gold Medal: 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship.

Silver Medal: 2005 USA Youth Development Festival.

- Member of the 2006 USA U18 National Team that went 4-0 and won the gold medal at the 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship, which qualified the United States for the 2007 FIBA U19 World Championship.
- Averaged 7.0 ppg. and a USA second-best 9.0 rpg. in just under 16 minutes a game.
- Opened the tournament with a double-double of 11 points and 11 rebounds vs. Paraguay and was just shy of her second double-double with nine points and 12 rebounds in the gold medal win over Canada.
- Member of the 2005 USA Youth Development Festival White Team that went 2-3 and earned the silver medal.
- Finished the Festival ranked second among all-time Festival participants for most blocked shots with 13.
- Ranked first among 2005 Festival participants for blocked shots (2.6 bpg.), fourth for offensive rebounds per game (3.8), sixth for rebounds (7.4 rpg.), tied for ninth for defensive rebounds per game (3.6) and tied for 19th for scoring (6.0 ppg.).
- Nearly posted a double-double with nine points and nine rebounds vs. Red in the opener, grabbed 11 rebounds to go with eight points in the semifinal vs. Red.

College Honors

- Named the 2007 Pacific-10 Conference Freshman of the Year.
- Awarded 2007 All-Pac-10 Honorable Mention.
- Selected to the 2007 Pac-10 All-Tournament Team.
- Earned Pac-10 Player of the Week honors on Feb. 19, 2007 after averaging 23.0 ppg., 14.0 rpg. and 4.0 apg.

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, averaged team third-bests of 13.5 ppg. and 7.5 rpg., as well as 1.0 apg. and 1.8 bpg. to help her squad capture a 29-5 record, the Pac-10 regular season and tournament titles and reach the NCAA second round.
- Set Stanford's single-season record for blocks with 61.
- Scored in double-figures 19 times with three double-doubles.
- Grabbed a Pac-10 Tournament single-game record eight offensive boards.
- In conference competition, ranked first in blocked shots (1.85 bpg.), second in field goal percentage (.538), seventh in rebounding (7.5 rpg) and 12th in scoring (13.2 ppg).

High School Honors

- Honored as MVP of the 2006 McDonald's All-American Game.
- A WBCA All-American in 2006.
- Selected to *USA Today's* and *Street & Smith's* second team, in 2006 and 2005.

- Recognized as the 2006 Gatorade State Basketball Player of the Year and as the NorCal Preps Player of the Year.
- Named to the *Parade Magazine* All-America first team in 2006 and the second team in 2005.
- Selected as Cal-Hi Sports Division II Player of the Year in 2006, 2005 and 2004 and All-State first team in 2006 and 2005.
- The *Contra Costa Times* Athlete of the Year in 2006, 2005 and 2004.
- Selected as an EA Sports All-American in 2005.

High School Notes

- Compiled 2,504 points, 1,707 rebounds, 680 blocks, 256 assists and 185 steals in four seasons at Carondelet High School (Calif.).
- Ranked third all-time in the state of California for blocks (680), fifth for rebounds (1,707) and 25th for points scored (2,504).
- Recorded career highs in 2006 of 42 points (vs. Deer Valley), 29 rebounds (vs. Clayton Valley) and 13 blocks (vs. Antioch).
- As a senior in 2005-06, led Carondelet to a second place finish in the state tournament and averaged 26.0 ppg., 14.4 rpg., 2.1 apg., 1.5 spg and 5.8 bpg.
- As a junior in 2004-05, averaged 21.4 ppg., 13.3 rpg., 1.7 spg., 1.6 spg. and 6.3 bpg., to lead Carondelet to a 28-4 record.
- As a sophomore in 2003-04, led her school to a state title with a 30-3 record and averaged 18.6 ppg., 14.4 rpg., 2.2 apg. and 4.33 bpg.
- As a freshman in 2002-03, averaged 11.2 ppg., 10.7 rpg. and 4.7 bpg.

Personal Notes

- Born in Berkeley, California, she now lives in Pleasant Hill, California.
- Daughter of Pam and Joe Appel; has three brothers, Mike, 15, Tommy, 21, and Nate, 15.
- Father played basketball at St. Mary's College (Calif.).
- Also played high school water polo and was named to the Blossom Valley Athletic Conference first team in 2006, 2005 and 2004.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006 U18	4/1	12- 29	.414	1- 3	.333	3- 6	.500	36/ 9.0	28/ 7.0	5	7	7
2005 DF-Wh	5/3	13- 42	.310	0- 3	.000	4- 11	.364	37/ 7.4	30/ 6.0	7	13	2
Totals	9/4	25- 71	.352	1- 6	.167	7- 17	.412	73/ 8.1	58/ 6.4	12	20	9

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	33/0	178-331	.538	0-1	.000	80-124	.645	249/ 7.5	436/ 13.2	34	61	26

ASHLEY BARLOW



37

5-8 • 155 lbs.

Guard

May 17, 1988

Notre Dame '10

Indianapolis, Ind.

College Honors

- Named to the 2007 Big East All-Conference Freshman Team.

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, averaged 10.3 ppg., 5.4 rpg., 1.9 apg. and 2.0 spg. to help Notre Dame to a 20-12 record and the NCAA Tournament second round.
- Tied for first in NCAA single-game highs for free throw percentage, hitting 13-of-13 vs. Prairie View on 12/28/06.
- In conference competition ranked seventh in free throw percentage (.826, 90-109 FTs) and tied for seventh in steals (1.97 spg.).
- Lead her team in scoring on three occasions in 2006-07, recorded one double-double and two 21-point games.

High School Honors

- A 2006 WBCA All-American and a *Street & Smith's* honorable mention
- A 2006 Indiana All-Star selection, chosen MVP and John Wooden Citizenship Award winner
- A two-time all-state selection in 2006 and 2005, a three-time all-county pick in 2006, 2005, 2004 and a four-time all-conference Indiana choice (2003 through 2006)
- Honored as the *Indianapolis Star* Marion County Player of the Year and Super Team Player of the Year in 2006 and the *Indianapolis Star* All-West Player of the Year in 2005.
- Selected to the *Hoosier Basketball Magazine* Top 40 in 2006.
- Named to the 2006 Regional Roundball Review Super Senior 25 Team.
- Women's Basketball Magazine* National Scholar-Athlete of the Month (July/August 2005)

High School Notes

- Averaged 19.2 ppg., 5.4 rpg. and 3.6 apg. in her prep career at Pike High School (Indianapolis, Ind.).
- Set 12 school records, including points in a game (42), season (653) and career (1,726), as well as career scoring average.
- As a senior in 2005-06, ranked among the top 12 Class 4A players in the state in scoring (25.1 ppg.), rebounding (9.2 rpg.) and assists (4.7 apg.).
- Averaged 23.7 ppg. as a junior in 2004-05.
- Also played AAU with The Family, which went 40-1 in 2005 and won four of five tournaments they participated in. Averaged team-bests of 13.4 ppg. and 1.6 spg.

Personal Notes

- Born in Indianapolis, Indiana, to Tia Jewell-Barlow and David Barlow
- Has two brothers, Andre, 26, and David, 22, and one sister, Danielle, 15.
- Brother David played college basketball; cousin, Kenny Barlow, played basketball at Notre Dame; great-uncle, Robert Jewell, is a member of the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame; and uncle, Ron, was a fullback at Kansas State and later was drafted by the New York Jets.
- Aspires to be a basketball coach or to start her own business.
- Room that best defines me:* bedroom, I have lots of stuffed animals that I collect.
- Room in which I spend most of my time:* the living room, where everyone sits to talk.
- Morning routine:* brush my teeth, wash my face, put in my contacts, eat and go to class.
- Evening routine:* watch a little TV, do my homework, wash my face, brush my teeth and go to bed.
- Favorite takeout food:* A Whooper Jr. value meal with a lemonade.
- Favorite meal to make at home:* Raman noodles and Mac and Cheese.
- I drive:* a 1996 Mazda.
- If I could trade in my car for anything it would be:* a red corvette with a white interior.
- The one thing I can't ever part with:* a quilt my grandma made.
- On my bedside table is:* cell phone, which is my alarm.
- If I could live in any city in the world it would be:* Atlanta, Georgia, because it's warm most of the year.
- My next big purchase will be:* a new phone.
- Most read online newspaper:* Indianapolis Star.
- Always in my fridge:* Gatorade and fruit.
- Always on my fridge:* pictures and magnets.
- One piece of clothing I can't live without:* t-shirts.
- Favorite sport aside from basketball:* soccer and volleyball.
- Favorite basketball players:* olympians Tamika Catchings and Dwyane Wade.
- Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Jackie Joyner Kersee.
- The most impressive people I have ever met:* my parents, who always find a way to go above and beyond.

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	32/3	110-254	.433	19-58	.328	90-109	.826	173/ 5.4	329/ 10.3	61	3	63

VICKI BAUGH

USA Basketball Notes

- Gold Medal:** 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship.
- Member of the 2006 USA U18 National Team that went 4-0 and won the gold medal at the 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship, which qualified the United States for the 2007 FIBA U19 World Championship.
 - Started three of four games and averaged a USA second-best 11.8 ppg., while collecting 8.0 rpg. and shooting 60.6 percent from the field in 17 mpg.
 - Scored in double digits all four games and notched a pair of double-doubles, including 14 points and 13 rebounds in the USA's opener vs. Paraguay and 11 points and 11 rebounds vs. Brazil.

College Notes

- Signed a National Letter of Intent to attend and play for the University of Tennessee in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Honored as a 2007 *USA Today* and *Parade Magazine* All-America first team selection.
- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American.
- Tabbed as a 2007 EA Sports All-America first team selection.
- Named to *USA Today's* All-Junior Team in 2006.
- Selected as the Metro Player of the Year and all-state first team in 2007 and 2006.
- Highlighted as the West Coast Jamboree and Santa Clara Tournament MVP in 2006.
- Tabbed an all-metro first team and all-state sophomore team member in 2005.
- Honored as a Cal-Hi Division III All-State selection in 2005.
- Selected to the Sierra Valley All-League team in 2004.

High School Notes

- Tallied 1,870 points, 1,222 rebounds, 167 assists, 273 steals, 208 steals and 300 blocked shots in four varsity seasons at Sacramento H.S. (Calif.).
- Recorded career highs of 31 points and 22 rebounds in 2006-07.
- As a senior in 2006-08, started in all 31 games played and averaged 17.6 ppg., 12.2 rpg., 2.9 apg., 2.1 spg. and 3.4 bpg. to help her squad to a 29-4 record and the state tournament semifinals.
- Led her team to a 32-4 record and a Northern State Championship, averaging 19.7 ppg., 11.1 rpg., 2.3 apg, 1.4 spg. and 2.0 bpg. as a junior in 2005-06.
- As a sophomore in 2004-05, averaged 16.5 ppg., 11.7 rpg. and 3.0 apg. to help her team finish 23-7.
- Played varsity as a freshman in 2003-04 at Cordova High School (Calif.) and averaged 18.1 ppg and 17.0 rpg.

Personal Notes

- Born in her current hometown of Sacramento, California.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* Softball.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Olympian Lisa Leslie.
- *Favorite team:* Los Angeles Sparks.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Kristi Yamaguchi.
- *Strangest place I've ever played basketball:* the garage.
- *Best player I have faced:* fellow trials invitee Kelley Cain.
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* two-time Olympian Michael Jordan.
- *The most impressive person I have met is:* John Wooden, who was very inspirational.
- *Favorite announcer:* Kara Lawson.
- *Away from the court:* I hang out with friends.
- *Most people don't know:* I am funny.
- *The most interesting place I have visited is:* Ensenada, Mexico.
- *My first basketball memory is of:* dunking on my little basketball hoop.
- *I can't live without:* my friends and family.
- *If stranded on an island, I would want:* a TV, surf board and food.
- *Favorite food:* spaghetti.



38

6-4 • 190 lbs.

Forward

May 21, 1989

Sacramento H.S. '07

Sacramento, Calif.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006 U18	4/3	20- 33	.606	0- 0	---	7- 9	.778	32/ 8.0	47/ 11.8	4	6	2

ANGIE BJORKKLUND

College Notes

- Has signed a National Letter of Intent to play for and attend the University of Tennessee in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American.
- Tabbed as a 2007 and 2006 Gatorade State Player of the Year.
- Named the Associated Press State Player of the Year and the Greater Spokane League MVP in 2007 and 2006.
- Honored as a 2007 *USA Today*, *Parade Magazine* and EA Sports All-America first team selection.
- Named to the 2006 *Parade Magazine* All-America second team and to *Sports Illustrated's* High School Top 10.
- In 2005, named to the *Parade Magazine* All-America fourth team and *Street and Smith's* All-America third team.
- Tabbed the 2005 *Tacoma New Tribune's* State Player of the Year.

High School Notes

- Started in 107 of 110 games played and compiled a 100-16 overall record, 2,103 points, 777 rebounds, 378 assists and 242 steals in four varsity seasons at University H.S. (Wash.).
- Has tallied career highs of 37 points (2005), 15 rebounds (2005), nine assists (2006) and seven steals (2006).
- As a senior in 2006-07, started all 29 games played and averaged 25.8 ppg., 10.1 rpg., 5.4 apg., 2.7 spg. and 1.0 bpg. to help her squad to a 26-3 record and a second place finish in the state tournament. Shot 61.0 percent from the field, 55.0 percent from 3-point and 85.0 percent from the free throw line.
- Started in 23 of 24 games played and averaged 20.6 ppg., 8.1 rpg., 4.2 apg. and 1.7 spg. to help her squad to a 25-4 record and a third-in-state finish as a junior in 2005-06.
- Averaged 19.9 ppg., 6.8 rpg., 3.9 apg. and 2.8 spg. and started in all 29 games played to help her squad to a 26-3 record and a sixth place finish in the state tournament as a sophomore in 2004-05.
- As a freshman in 2003-04, averaged 11.5 ppg., 6.2 rpg., 3.7 apg. and 2.6 spg. to help her squad to a 23-6 Recorded and a ninth-in-state finish.

Personal Notes

- Born to Kris and Jim Bjorklund in her hometown of Spokane, Washington
- Sister Jamie, 18, plays basketball at Gonzaga; uncle, Steve Rannigan played basketball at Oregon; grandpa, Duane Rannigan played basketball at Washington State; and Leon Bjorklund ran track at Washington.
- Played AAU for the Spokane Stars. Placed second at the 2005 Nike Nationals and won the 2004 End of the Trail tournament.
- Participated in the Nike Skills Camp in 2005.
- Aspires to be a college basketball coach.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* table tennis.
- *Favorite basketball player:* two-time Olympian Michael Jordan.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Tyler Byers, a cousin who raced in the Special Olympics.
- *Strangest place I've ever played basketball:* Germany
- *Best players I have faced:* John Stockton and Abby Waner.
- *The most impressive person I have met is:* John Wooden, who is an amazing, genuine person.
- *Favorite announcer:* Stacey Dales.
- *Away from the court:* I like to play guitar, hang out with friends, hike, create mixed CDs and travel.
- *Most people don't know:* I play guitar and hate any, small or large, bug or spider.
- *The most interesting place I have visited is:* Paris, because of its history.
- *My first basketball memory is of:* playing on my back patio on a 4-foot plastic hoop.
- *I can't live without:* God.
- *If stranded on an island, I would want:* a Bible, an iPod and a basketball.
- *Favorite food:* ice cream.



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6-0 • 170 lbs.

Guard

July 14, 1989

University H.S. '07

Spokane, Wash.

JESSICA BRELAND



61

6-3 • 160 lbs.

Forward

Feb. 23, 1988

North Carolina '10

Kelford, N.C.

USA Basketball Notes

- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, averaged 6.5 ppg., 4.5 rpg. and 1.3 bpg. to North Carolina squad to a 34-4 mark, an Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament title and the NCAA Final Four.

High School Honors

- Named to the *Parade Magazine* All-America first team in 2006.
- Selected as WBCA and McDonald's High School All-American in 2006. In the McDonald's All-American Game she tallied two points, five rebounds, three blocks, and two steals in 14 minutes.
- Honored as the 2006 Gatorade State Basketball Player of the Year.
- Named to *Street & Smith's* All-America third team in 2006.
- Selected as conference Player of the Year in 2004, 2005 and 2006 and to the all-conference team in all four seasons.
- Honored as the *News Herald* Christmas Tournament MVP in 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- Named to the All-Roanoke Area team in 2004 and 2005.

High School Notes

- Tallied 2,126 points and started in all 100 games played in four seasons at Bertie High School (N.C.).
- Scored a career high 41 points (vs. Greenville Rose) during the 2003-04 season.
- As a senior in 2005-06, averaged 25.0 ppg., 11.0 rpg., 8.0 aspg., 6.0 spg and 5.0 bpg. while leading her team to 24-2.
- As a junior in 2004-05, averaged 22.0 ppg., 10.0 rpg., 7.0 aspg., 4.0 steals and 4.0 blocks per game and led her team to 22-6.
- Averaged 23.0 points, 9.0 rebounds, 8.0 assists, 4.0 steals and 5.0 bpg. to lead her team to 20-6 as a sophomore in 2003-04.
- Averaged 17.0 ppg., 7.0 rpg., 6.0 aspg., 3.0 spg and 3.0 bpg. per game as a freshman in 2002-03.

Personal Notes

- Born to Jean and Charles Breland in Brooklyn, New York, she now lives in Kelford, North Carolina.
- Has three sisters, Arniece, Christina and Stephanie.
- An all-conference volleyball player, she was her schools MVP in 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- Aspires to earn a degree from UNC and play in the WNBA.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* my bedroom because I go from class to practice, and then it's time to go to bed. :)
- *Morning routine:* go to class.
- *Evening routine:* go to study hall.
- *Favorite takeout food:* crab legs.
- *Favorite meal to make at home:* chicken and mac & cheese.
- *I drive:* a Honda Accord.
- *If I could trade in my car for anything it would be:* a Mercedes.
- *If I could live in any city in the world it would be:* San Diego, California.
- *My next big purchase will be:* something for my car, like rims.
- *Always in my fridge:* juice.
- *Always on my fridge:* phone numbers.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* volleyball.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Olympian Shaquille O'Neal.
- *Strangest place ever played hoops:* on a grass court in my backyard.
- *I want to go one-on-one against:* women's Senior National Team member Candace Parker.
- *When not playing hoops:* I talk on the phone and hang out with friends.
- *Most people don't know:* I love kids and can braid.
- *I can't live without:* my cell phone.
- *Favorite food:* chicken and crab legs.
- *My first overseas trip:* Brazil, and it was great.

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	37/ 0	99-182	.544	3- 7	.429	40-59	.678	165/ 4.5	241/ 6.5	30	49	35

KELLEY CAIN

USA Basketball Notes

- Gold Medal:** 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship.
- Member of the 2006 USA U18 National Team that went 4-0 and won the gold medal at the 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship, which qualified the United States for the 2007 FIBA U19 World Championship.

College Notes

- Signed a national letter of intent to attend and play for the University of Tennessee in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American.
- Named to the 2007 *Parade Magazine* and EA Sports All-America second teams and the *USA Today* All-USA third team.
- Tabbed the Georgia Athletics Coaches Association 4A Player of the Year in 2007 and 2006.
- Honored as the Georgia Sports Writers Association 4A Player of the Year in 2006 and all-state first team in 2006 and 2005.
- Selected as the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* 4A Player of the Year in 2007 and 2006 and all-state first team in 2004-2007.
- Selected as a *Street & Smith's* All-America honorable mention in 2005.
- Named to the School Sports Greater Atlanta Top Girls Hoop Player first team in 2006 and 2005.
- Selected as the St. Pius X Christmas Classic MVP in 2006 and 2005 and to the all-tournament team in 2004.
- Named to the Peach State Hoops and 4Shot Hoops All-State teams in 2005.

High School Notes

- Tallied 2,017 points, 1,420 rebounds, 194 assists, 219 steals and 660 blocked shots in four varsity seasons at St. Pius X High School (Ga.).
- Recorded career highs of 24 rebounds and 11 blocks in 2006 and 32 points in 2005.
- As a senior in 2006-07, started in 32 of 33 games played and averaged 14.8 ppg., 12.6 rpg., 1.6 apg., 1.8 spg. and 4.5 bpg. to help her squad to a 30-3 record and a third 4A state title.
- Captured her second 4A state championship as a junior in 2005-06 and averaged 20.1 ppg., 13.2 rpg., 1.5 apg., 2.2 spg and 6.0 bpg. to finish 31-2.
- As a sophomore in 2004-05, averaged 16.8 ppg., 10.0 rpg., 1.5 apg., 1.5 spg and 6.0 bpg. while leading her team to 28-4 and a fifth-in-state finish.
- As a freshman in 2003-04, helped her team finish 30-2 to capture the state championship and averaged 14.4 ppg., 9.3 rpg., 1.5 apg., 1.5 spg and 5.0 bpg.

Personal Notes

- Born to Lynda Ward Cain and Harold D. Cain in Stone Mountain, Georgia, she now resides in Atlanta, Georgia.
- Has twin brothers, Douglas and James, 21.
- Is on the Honor Roll.
- Was Miss Senior Homecoming, Miss Junior Homecoming and Miss Sophomore Homecoming.
- Her father played football at Clemson.
- Aspires to be a marketing executive for a major sports shoe and apparel company.
- Played AAU basketball for the Georgia Lady Lions.



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6-6 • 216 lbs.

Center

May 16, 1989

St. Pius X Catholic
H.S. '07

Atlanta, Ga.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006 U18	4/1	11- 19	.579	0- 0	---	4- 6	.667	26/ 6.5	26/ 6.5	0	7	5

ALLYSSA DEHAAN



72

6-9 • 180 lbs.

Center

June 21, 1988

Michigan State '10

Grandville, Mich.

College Honors

- Named the 2007 Big Ten Conference Freshman of the Year, to the All-Big Ten Defensive Team, the All-Big Ten second team and the Big Ten All-Tournament Team.
- Selected to the 2007 GBallMag.com Young All-America team.
- Two-time Big Ten Player of the Week: for the week of Dec. 4, averaged 24.0 ppg., 9.5 rpg., 2.0 apg. and 6.5 bpg., shooting 69.2 percent from the field; and for the week of Feb. 19, averaged 18.5 ppg., 7.0 rpg. and 4.0 bpg., posting 25 points in a win over Ohio State.

College Notes

- Started 27 of 33 games played, averaged 12.5 ppg., 7.5 rpg., 1.5 apg. and 4.39 bpg. as a freshman in 2006-07 to help her squad to a 24-9 record and the NCAA second round.
- Set the NCAA Division I freshman record for total blocked shots (145) and blocks averaged (4.4 bpg.).
- Ranks seventh in NCAA history in single-season blocks.
- After just 12 games, set MSU's single-season blocks record and set the new Big Ten single-season record during the Big Ten Tournament.
- The fourth freshman in MSU history to reach 300 points and 200 rebounds, set the school's all-time freshman scoring record with 411 points and ranked third in rebounds with 247.
- Twice blocked a school single-game record eight shots.
- Her 69 blocks during conference competition was the third-best mark in school history.
- Led her team in rebounding 16 times and in scoring on 10 occasions; her 28 points vs. Rhode Island was the second-highest point total for a freshman in school history.

High School Honors

- Named the 2005 Michigan Miss Basketball and the Gatorade State Player of the Year.
- Selected all-state first team in 2006, 2005 and 2004.

High School Notes

- Averaged 24 ppg., 9.0 rpg. and 9.0 bpg to lead Grandville High School (Mich.) to a 22-2 record and conference, district and regional championships as a senior in 2005-06
- As a junior in 2004-05, averaged 27.0 ppg., 13.0 rpg. and 9.5 bpg. to help her squad to the state quarterfinals for the first time in program history.
- Set the Michigan girl's high school single-season blocks record with 236 in her junior season.

Personal Notes

- Born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, to Brandon and Tracie DeHaan
- Has a 15-year-old brother, Collin.
- Her mother played basketball at Northwestern.
- Played high school volleyball and earned all-conference honorable mention honors.
- Majoring in pre-med, she aspires to be a doctor.
- *Room that best defines me:* the great outdoors, not a room in my house.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* the bedroom.
- *Morning routine:* brush my teeth, get dressed, do my hair and makeup, eat breakfast and go to class.
- *Evening routine:* eat dinner, take a nap, do my homework, take a shower, relax and go to sleep.
- *Travel ritual:* sleep and listen to music.
- *Favorite takeout food:* pizza topped with ham, bacon and banana peppers.
- *Favorite meal to make at home:* Raman noodles.
- *I drive:* a van.
- *If I could trade in my car for anything it would be:* a convertible Mini Cooper.
- *The one thing I can't ever part with:* my basketball scrapbooks.
- *If I could live in any city in the world it would be:* Wailea-Makena, Maui.
- *My next big purchase will be:* a new car.
- *Most read online newspaper:* Lansing State Journal.
- *Always in my fridge:* Propel Fitness Water.
- *Always on my fridge:* pictures and magnets.
- *One piece of clothing I can't live without:* my bathing suit.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* soccer and volleyball.
- *Favorite basketball player:* two-time Olympian Michael Jordan.
- *The most impressive person I have ever met:* Magic Johnson, for his support of the fight against AIDS.
- *Most people don't know:* I love to wear heels.
- *Favorite food:* Dove chocolate.

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	33/27	166-313	.530	0-1	.000	79-104	.760	247/ 7.5	411/ 12.5	50	145	18

ELENA DELLE DONNE



63

6-5 • 185 lbs.

Guard

Sept. 5, 1989

Ursuline Academy
'08

Wilmington, Del.

USA Basketball Notes

- Attended the 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials, but did not participate due to prior injury.

High School Honors

- Selected to the 2007 and 2006 *Parade Magazine* All-America first team and to the third team in 2005.
- Named to the *USA Today* All-USA third team in 2007 and 2006.
- Tabbed as a 2007 and 2005 EA Sports All-America first team member.
- Named Delaware's Co-Player of the Year in 2007 and the Player of the Year in 2005.
- Selected as an all-state and all-catholic first team member in 2004 through 2007.
- Honored as the 2007 and 2006 Scholastic Play-by-Play Network Player of the Year.
- Tabbed the 2007 NIKE Boo Williams Tournament MVP.
- Named to *Street & Smith's* All-America third team in 2006.
- Selected to the 2006 *Slam Magazine* and *Women's Basketball Magazine* All-America first teams.
- Honored as the Gatorade State Basketball Player of the Year in 2005 and 2006.
- Participated in the NIKE Elite Skills Academy Camp in 2006 and 2005.
- Led her AAU team to three national championships in 2005, 2004 and 2002.

High School Notes

- Has started in all 99 games played and has tallied 2,382 points, 967 rebounds, 235 assists and 129 steals in four varsity seasons at Ursuline Academy (Del.), including a varsity campaign as an eighth grader in 2003-04.
- Became the youngest player in Delaware history to surpass 2,000 points.
- Has helped Ursuline capture three consecutive state titles (2004-2006) and Catholic Conference Championships in 2004, 2005 and 2007.
- In 2006, named the state tournament's MVP and set the girls state tournament record for total points (126) and 3-pointers made (15).
- Recorded a career-high 50 points in the state championship in 2006.
- Made 94-of-102 free throws in 2005-06, including a national record 80 in a row.
- As a junior in 2006-07, averaged 28.0 ppg., 11.0 rpg., 3.0 apg., 2.0 spg. and 3.0 bpg. to help her squad to a 21-5 record and a second-in-state finish.
- As a sophomore in 2005-06, averaged 27.7 ppg., 10.0 rpg., 2.0 apg., 2.0 spg and 3.0 bpg. while helping Ursuline capture the state championship to finish 21-5.
- As a freshman in 2004-05, averaged 27.2 ppg., 8.0 rpg., 2.0 apg. and 2.0 spg to help Ursuline to 25-1.
- As an eighth grader in 2003-04, led Ursuline to a state title and averaged 20.0 ppg., 7.0 rpg., 4.0 apg., 2.0 spg and 2.0 bpg.

Personal Notes

- Born September 5, 1989, to Ernest and Joan Delle Donne in her hometown of Wilmington, Delaware.
- Has one brother, Eugene, and one sister, Elizabeth.
- Her father played basketball and golf at Columbia, and her brother plays football at Duke.
- She would like to be a special education teacher.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* tennis.
- *Favorite basketball player:* two-time Olympian Michael Jordan.
- *Favorite team:* the Chicago Bulls.
- *Strangest place I've ever played basketball:* Amarillo, Texas.
- *Best player I have faced:* Tina Charles.
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* Olympian Lisa Leslie.
- *Away from the court:* I like to work with handicapped children, shop, watch movies and hang out with friends.
- *Most people don't know:* I have a handicapped sister.
- *The most interesting place I have visited is:* the Bahamas.
- *My first basketball memory is of:* playing at the YMCA when I was 5 years old.
- *I can't live without:* my family.
- *If stranded on an island, I would want:* fire, food and water.
- *Favorite food:* Gnocci, an Italian dish.

LORIN DIXON

College Notes

- Has signed a National Letter of Intent to play for and attend the University of Connecticut in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American.
- Tabbed as the 2007 Gatorade State Player of the Year and New York State's Miss Basketball.
- Named to the 2007 EA Sports All-America first team and the *Parade Magazine* All-America third team.
- Honored as the *Queens News Courier* Player of the Year in 2006 and as a *Daily News* All-City first team selection.
- Selected to the 2006 Nike Tournament of Champions All-Tournament first team.

High School Notes

- Tallied 864 points, 348 rebounds, 609 assists, 261 steals and 89 blocked shots in three varsity seasons at Christ the King H.S. (N.Y.).
- Named the 2006 New York State Federation Championship Game MVP after recording a career high 34 points and adding six rebounds and eight assists in the title contest. Sank 14 free throws to set a NYSF Championship record.
- As a senior in 2006-07, started all 29 games played and averaged 17.1 ppg. 8.2 rpg., 6.8 apg., 3.5 spg. and 2.0 bpg. to help her squad to a 23-4 record and a fourth-in-state finish.
- Helped her team to a 29-0 record and a state title in 2006, started all 29 games played and averaged 12.0 ppg., 8.0 apg., 2.0 spg. and 2.0 bpg. as a junior.
- As a sophomore in 2004-05, helped her team to a 29-0 record and a state title, started all 29 games played and averaged 11.0 ppg., 3.0 rpg., 6.0 apg. and 2.0 bpg.

Personal Notes

- Born to Jacqueline and Kirby Dixon in Jamaica, New York.
- Has one brother, Devin, 3, and one sister, Cecelia, 14.
- Played AAU for the N.Y. Liberty Belles. Was the Wheel Chair Charity All-Star Game MVP in 2007 and 2006 and the 2006 MVP at the Metro Classic All-Star Game MVP and Slam Jam Women's Classic.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* track and field.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Ivory Latta.
- *Favorite team:* the New York Liberty.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Jackie Joyner Kersey.
- *Strangest place I've ever played basketball:* Texas.
- *Best player I have faced:* fellow trials participant Maya Moore.
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* Ivory Latta.
- *The most impressive person I have met is:* Mr. Hank Carter of Wheelchair Charities.
- *Away from the court:* I like to volunteer with kids, visit hospitals and be a mentor.
- *Most people don't know:* that in my first game at age 9, I froze at the tip-off and had to be escorted off the court.
- *The most interesting place I have visited is:* the Muhammad Ali Hall of Fame.
- *I am superstitious about:* drinking a V-8 before every game.
- *I can't live without:* my Sidekick and my little brother Devin.
- *If stranded on an island, I would want:* my Sidekick, a basketball and a smooth surface.
- *Favorite food:* salt fish and fried dumplings.



78

5-4 • 125 lbs.

Guard

March 29, 1989

Christ the King H.S.
'07

Middle Village, N.Y.

NIKITTA GARTRELL



8

5-10 • 152 lbs.

Guard

July 19, 1988

North Carolina State
'10

Atlanta, Ga.

USA Basketball Notes

Gold Medal: 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship.

Silver Medal: 2005 USA Youth Development Festival.

- Member of the 2006 USA U18 National Team that went 4-0 and won the gold medal at the 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship, which qualified the United States for the 2007 FIBA U19 World Championship.
- Averaged 2.0 ppg. and 1.3 rpg. in just over 17 minutes a game, saw her best scoring effort against Paraguay with five points.
- Member of the 2005 USA Youth Development Festival White Team that went 2-3 and earned the silver medal.
- Ranked 17th among all 2005 Festival participants for scoring (6.8 ppg.), fourth for 3-point field goals made per game (0.8) and tied for 12th for steals (2.0 spg.).
- Scored 16 points against Canada in preliminary play, also had eight points versus Red in the opener.

College Notes

- Started 15 of 28 games played as a freshman in 2006-07 and averaged 4.7 ppg. and 2.0 rpg. to help North Carolina State to a 25-10 record, the Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament title game and the NCAA Sweet Sixteen.

High School Honors

- Named a WBCA All-America honorable mention in 2006.
- Honored as the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* Metro Player of the Year in 2005 and 2006.
- Selected as an all-state first team member in 2005 and 2006.
- Named the MVP of the Atlanta Public Schools Tournament in 2005.
- Honored as a three-time, all-metro first team selection in 2003, 2004 and 2005.
- Selected the MVP of the state championship game in 2003.
- Named to the all-state second team in 2003.

High School Notes

- Tallied 2,826 points in four seasons at Benjamin E. Mays High School (Ga.).
- Is the Benjamin E. Mays all-time leading scorer for boys or girls (2,826 points).
- Recorded a career-high of 46 points (vs. Jenkins) and tallied five games of 40-plus points in 2005-06.
- As a senior in 2005-06, averaged 29.4 ppg., 6.0 rpg., 7.0 apg. and 7.0 spg.
- As a junior in 2004-05, led her team to 25-5 and averaged 25.0 ppg., 4.0 rpg., 7.0 apg. and 6.0 spg.
- Averaged 18.0 ppg., 6.0 apg. and 5.8 spg per game as a sophomore in 2003-04.

- Led her team to a state title as a freshman in 2002-03 and averaged 15.0 ppg., 3.0 rpg., 4.0 apg. and 4.0 spg.

Personal Notes

- Born in her hometown of Atlanta, Georgia.
- Daughter of Shanterrise Gartell; has two brothers, Mario Gartrell, 19, and De'Anthony Maeberry, 10; and one sister, Ebonee Maeberry, 14.
- Attends the former high school of Chilli from TLC and Cee-Lo Green from the Goodie Mob.
- Also ran track and in 2005-06 finished second in state in the 800-meters and sixth in state in the 400-meters.
- Also played softball and was a 2005-06 all-state honorable mention and all-region first team selection.
- *Last book read for pleasure:* "Values of the Game" by Bill Bradley.
- *Favorite takeout food:* A No. 1, Big Mac Meal.
- *Favorite meal to make at home:* soul food.
- *When I was five I wanted to be:* a professional track runner.
- *If I could live in any city in the world it would be:* Atlanta, Georgia. I love my home.
- *My next big purchase will be:* a car.
- *Favorite magazine:* Sports Illustrated
- *Always in my fridge:* a Coca-Cola and a Mr. Goodbar.
- *Always on my fridge:* Pizza Hut coupons.
- *One piece of clothing I can't live without:* my Hello Kitty shirts.
- *Most prized possession:* my face.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* track and softball.
- *I can play:* the piano.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Toni Parker.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Marion Jones.
- *Best player I ever faced:* Lindsay Harding.
- *I want to go one-on-one against:* Toni Parker.
- *Most people don't know:* I watch cartoons all day.
- *I can't live without:* chocolate candy, music, coca-cola, tv, her cell phone, basketball, new shoes and getting her hair done.
- *Favorite food:* hot wings and fries.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006 U18	4/1	3- 14	.214	2- 8	.250	0- 0	---	5/ 1.3	8/ 2.0	5	0	5
2005 DF-Wh	5/1	11- 45	.244	4- 20	.200	8- 14	.571	14/ 2.8	34/ 6.8	4	0	10
Totals	9/1	14- 59	.237	6- 28	.214	8- 14	.571	19/ 2.1	42/ 4.7	9	0	15

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	28/15	47-151	.311	7-24	.292	30-43	.698	56/ 2.0	131/ 4.7	24	0	8

ALLISON HIGHTOWER



39

5-10 • 140 lbs.

Guard

April 6, 1988

Louisiana State '10

Arlington, TX

USA Basketball Notes

- Silver Medal:** 2005 Youth Development Festival.
- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.
- Member of the 2005 USA Youth Development Festival White Team that went 2-3 and earned the silver medal.
- Ranked tied for 19th among all 2005 Festival participants for scoring (6.0 ppg.), tied for 12th for rebounds (5.4 rpg.) and steals (2.0 spg.), tied for 14th for assists (1.6 apg.) and tied for ninth for defensive rebounds per game (3.6).
- Scored 11 points to go with seven rebounds versus Canada in preliminary play and had eight points and nine rebounds over Red in the semifinals.

College Honors

- Named to the 2007 Southeastern Conference All-Freshman team.

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, started two of 38 games played and averaged 6.2 ppg., 2.3 rpg. and 1.6 apg. to help LSU to a 30-8 record, the SEC Tournament title game and the NCAA Final Four.
- In SEC Tournament competition, ranked tied for first for 3-point percentage (.667, 4-6 3pt FGs).
- Five times scored in double digits.

High School Honors

- Named to the *Parade Magazine* All-America second team in 2006.
- Honored as a WBCA and McDonald's High School All-American in 2006. In the McDonald's All-American Game she tallied nine points, nine rebounds, four steals, two assists and two blocks in 24 minutes.
- Selected to the *Street & Smith's* All-America sixth team in 2006.
- Chosen as the *Dallas Morning News* Player of the Year in 2006.
- Honored as an all-region first team member in 2005 and 2006 and as an all-district first team member in 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- Recognized as her team's MVP in 2005 and 2006.
- Celebrated as the Newcomer of the Year in 2004.
- Named to the *Star-Telegram* first team in 2005.
- Highlighted as the district MVP in 2005 and 2006.

High School Notes

- Tallied 2,182 points, 575 rebounds, 355 assists, 575 steals and 195 blocked shots in three seasons at Juan Seguin High School (Texas).
- Recorded career highs of 42 points and 18 rebounds.
- Is tied for or holds 13 single-season records at Juan Seguin, including points scored (774), field goals made (318), field goal percentage (64.2), most steals (220) and most blocks (82).
- Is tied for or holds 12 single-game records at Juan Seguin, including 3-point field goal percentage (4-4 vs. Springtown), most steals (13 vs. Birdville) and most assists (10 twice, vs. Wichita Falls and Birdville).
- As a senior in 2005-06, averaged 20.4 ppg., 8.3 rpg., 3.5 apg., 5.8 spg and 2.2 bpg. while leading her team to 33-5 and a fifth place finish in the state.
- Averaged 20.8 ppg., 9.4 rpg., 4.9 apg., 5.4 spg and 1.9 bpg. as a junior in 2004-05 to help Juan Seguin capture a state runner-up finish.
- Averaged 24.1 ppg., 9.1 rpg., 2.3 apg. and 6.1 spg as a sophomore in 2003-04 to lead her school to a 19-10 record.
- As a freshman in 2002-03, averaged 23.1 ppg., 7.6 rpg., 1.3 apg. and 7.2 spg.

Personal Notes

- Born in her hometown of Arlington, Texas.
- Daughter of David and Regina Hightower, has one brother, Tony, 23.
- Also competed in track and field in high school and was a Class 4A district, regional and state champion in the high jump.
- She wants to pursue a career in the WNBA.
- Favorite takeout food:** a sandwich with steak, cheese and mayo.
- Favorite meal to make at home:** salmon, broccoli and rolls.
- I drive:** a 1992 Grand Am.
- If I could trade in my car for anything it would be:** a Charger on 22s.
- On my bedside table is:** something to drink.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2005 DF-Wh	5/4	11- 45	.244	2- 14	.143	6- 8	.750	27/ 5.4	30/ 6.0	8	2	10

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	38/2	93-255	.365	21-66	.318	27-35	.771	88/ 2.3	234/ 6.2	61	24	34

QUANITRA HOLLINGSWORTH



64

6-5 • 189 lbs.

Center

November 15, 1988

Virginia Commonwealth University '09

Chesapeake, Va.

USA Basketball Notes

- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.

College Honors

- Named to the 2007 Colonial Athletic Association All-Conference second team.
- A Virginia Sports Information Directors All-State second team selection in 2006 and 2007 and the Rookie of the Year in 2006.
- Selected as the 2006 CAA Rookie of the Year and named to the CAA All-Defensive Team and the All-CAA third team.
- A 2006 *Women's Basketball News Service* Freshman All-American.
- Earned five CAA Rookie of the Week awards in 2006.

College Notes

- As a sophomore in 2006-07 averaged a team second best 13.7 ppg., team highs of 9.4 rpg. and 1.3 bpg. and collected a team third best 28 steals to help her squad to a 17-13 record and the CAA Tournament quarterfinals.
- Ranked second in the CAA in rebounding and field goal percentage and third in blocked shots.
- Recorded 11 double-doubles in 2006-07 to bring her VCU career total to 25, the third best total in school history.
- Led her team in scoring 10 times in 2006-07 and in rebounding on 23 occasions.
- Started in all 28 games played and averaged team highs of 14.7 ppg., 11.1 rpg. and 2.3 bpg. as a freshman in 2005-06. Entered college when she was just 15 years old and redshirted the 2004-05 season to help adjust to college.
- Set VCU's freshman scoring record with 412 points, and her 14 double-doubles in 2006-07 was the third highest single-season total in school history.
- In 2005-06, ranked eighth nationally in rebounding and 21st in blocked shots and, among NCAA freshman, ranked second in rebounding, third in blocked shots, fourth in double-doubles, 10th in scoring.
- Recorded career highs in 2006 of 27 points (vs. Georgia State), 21 rebounds (vs. William and Mary) and eight blocks (vs. George Mason). Her 27 points was a VCU freshman record, and her outing vs. William & Mary was just the second 20-20 game in VCU history (24 points and 21 rebounds), with her 16 defensive rebounds setting another school high.

High School Notes

- Averaged 12.3 ppg., 14.1 rpg. and 2.1 bpg. per game as a senior at Great Bridge High School (Va.) in 2003-04.
- Led her high school team in rebounds and defections during her junior and senior seasons.

Personal Notes

- Born to Angela Pelzer in Portsmouth, Virginia, she now lives in Chesapeake, Virginia.
- Has one brother, Marvin Pelzer Jr., 11 months; and one sister, Nylah, 1 month.
- Her stepfather, Marvin Pelzer serves in the U.S. Navy and her second cousins, Tony and Shelly Glass serve in the U.S. Army.
- Entered high school at the age of 11 after skipping two grades and graduated with honors at the age of 15 in 2004.
- Also competed in one season of track and field in high school.
- She would like to travel overseas and work for as a computer science and systems analyst.
- *Room that best defines me:* an office.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* the kitchen.
- *Favorite takeout food:* Chinese food, sweet and sour chicken.
- *Favorite meal to make at home:* baked porkchops, mac & cheese and cornbread.
- *I drive:* a black, fully loaded Ford Expedition.
- *If I could trade in my car for anything it would be:* a black, fully loaded BMW 5 Series.
- *The one thing I can't ever part with:* an old, stuffed animal monkey.
- *At my bedside are:* house shoes.
- *My next big purchase will be:* a music system for my car.
- *Favorite magazines:* Sports Illustrated and Essence.
- *Always in my fridge:* orange juice.
- *Most prized possession:* my CAA Rookie of the Year award.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* track and field.
- *I can play:* the violin.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Ben Wallace.
- *I want to go one-on-one against:* Courtney Paris.
- *When not playing hoops:* I program computers, buy rare sneakers and surf the Internet.

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006	28/28	152-295	.515	0-0	---	108-160	.675	311/ 11.1	412/ 14.7	27	64	35
2007	29/26	143-269	.532	0-1	.000	110-188	.585	272/ 9.4	396/ 13.7	39	37	28
Totals	57/54	295-564	.523	0-1	.000	218-348	.626	583/ 10.2	808/ 14.2	66	101	63

ALISON JACKSON

USA Basketball Notes

- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.

College Notes

- Has signed a National Letter of Intent to attend and play for The Ohio State University in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's All-American.
- Named to the 2007 *Chicago Tribune* and *Chicago Sun Times* All-State first teams.
- Tabbed as a 2007 *Champaign News Gazette* and Illinois Basketball Coaches Association first team member and as a IBCA All-State fourth team member in 2005.
- Selected to the 2006-07 Dundee Crown and Nile North All-Tournament teams.
- A 2006 and 2005 *Street & Smith's* All-American honorable mention.
- Named to the Associated Press and *Chicago Sun-Times* second teams in 2006.
- Selected to the Dundee-Crown and Niles North All-Tournament Teams in 2006.
- Chosen all-conference in 2005, 2006 and 2007.
- Played AAU for Chicago Hoops Express.

High School Notes

- Tallied 1,768 points, 1011 rebounds and 302 assists, 241 steals and 144 blocked shots in four varsity seasons at Fenwick High School (Ill.).
- Started in all 38 games played and averaged 14.5 ppg., 8.5 rpg., 3.0 apg. as a senior in 2006-07 to help her squad to a 36-2 record and a state championship.
- As a junior in 2005-06, averaged 14.2 ppg., 4.3 rpg., 1.2 apg. and 2.0 spg per game while helping her team to a sixth place finish in the state and a 32-2 record.
- As a sophomore in 2004-05, helped Fenwick to an eighth-in-state finish and a 32-3 record, after averaging 10.4 ppg., 6.0 rpg., 1.0 apg., 1.7 spg.
- Helped Fenwick to a 34-4 record and a third place finish in the state tournament as a freshman in 2003-04 and averaged 9.1 ppg., 5.3 rpg. and 1.6 apg.

Personal Notes

- Born July, 12 1989, in Harvey, Illinois, she now lives in Chicago, Illinois.
- Daughter of Ernest and Faye Jackson, has one brother, Ernest Jackson, III, 16.
- Wants to pursue a career in business marketing or real estate.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* volleyball.
- *Favorite basketball player:* two-time Olympian Michael Jordan.
- *Favorite team:* the Miami Heat.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Florence Griffith Joyner.
- *Best player I have faced:* Candace Parker.
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* Lindsay Harding.
- *Favorite announcer:* Dick Vitale.
- *Away from the court:* I like to shop, sleep and eat.
- *Most people don't know:* I am very shy.
- *The most interesting place I have visited is:* the Vietnam War Memorial in Washington, D.C.
- *I am superstitious about:* adjusting my ankle braces and shoelaces during warmups.
- *I can't live without:* toiletries.
- *If stranded on an island, I would want:* Chapstick, toiletries and pasta.
- *Favorite food:* pasta.



9

5-11 • 140 lbs.

Guard

July 12, 1989

Fenwick H.S. '07

Oak Park, Ill.

AMY JAESCHKE

USA Basketball Notes

- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.

College Notes

- Has signed a National Letter of Intent to play for and attend Northwestern University.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's All-American, also received WBCA All-America honorable mention.
- Named to the 2007 *Parade Magazine* and EA Sports All-America second teams.
- Selected as a *Chicago Tribune* and *Chicago Sun Times* All-State first team member in 2007 and 2006 and a special mention in 2005.
- Named all-conference in 2004-2007.
- Selected to the Dundee-Crown and New Trier All-Tournament teams in 2004-05 and 2005-06.
- Honored as a Dundee Crown and Buffalo Grove All-Tournament selection in 2003-04.

High School Notes

- Started in all 141 games played and tallied 2,040 points in four varsity seasons at New Trier High School (Ill.), lists second on the school's all-time girl's scoring list.
- Twice recorded a career high 31 points (vs. Buffalo Grove in 2007 and vs. Marshall in 2006).
- Averaged 20.2 ppg., 12.6 rpg., 3.8 apg. and 5.1 bpg. as a senior in 2006-07 to help her squad to a 28-7 record.
- As a junior in 2005-06, averaged 17.7 ppg., 11.4 rpg., 4.2 apg. and 5.1 bpg. while leading New Trier to 25-9.
- Helped New Trier reach a fifth place finish in the state and a 29-5 record as a sophomore in 2004-05, and averaged 13.0 ppg., 9.3 rpg., 2.2 apg. and 3.0 bpg.
- Led New Trier to a 31-7 record and a state championship appearance as a freshman in 2003-04, after averaging 11.0 ppg and 6.6 rpg.
- Played AAU for Full Package Athletics.

Personal Notes

- Born in Evanston, Illinois, she now lives in Wilmette, Illinois.
- Daughter of Robert and Betsy Jaeschke, has one brother, Peter, 24, and one sister, Megan, 22.
- She wants to pursue a career as a physical therapist or college coach.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* tennis.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Ruth Riley.
- *Favorite team:* the Chicago Bulls.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Michael Phelps.
- *Best player I have faced:* Candace Parker.
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* Yao Ming.
- *Away from the court:* I like to draw and paint.
- *The most interesting place I have visited is:* Yellowstone National Park, because of its geography.
- *I am superstitious about:* needing to make the last basket during warmups.
- *I can't live without:* my iPod, family and friends.
- *If stranded on an island, I would want:* sunscreen, a beach chair and a do not disturb sign.
- *Favorite food:* bread.



65

6-5 • 220 lbs.

Center

April 26, 1989

New Trier H.S. '07

Wilmette, IL

BRITTANY JOHNSON

USA Basketball Notes

- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.

College Notes

- Has signed a National Letter of Intent to play for and attend The Ohio State University in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 WBCA All-America honorable mention.
- Tabbed as a 2007 Gatorade State Player of the Year and Illinois' Miss Basketball.
- Named to the 2007 EA Sports All-America second team.
- Named an Associated Press, *Chicago Tribune* and *Chicago Sun-Times* All-State first team member in 2007, 2006 and 2005 and the Associated Press player of the Year in 2007 and 2006.
- Honored as a the *Champaign News Gazette* State Player of the Year in 2006 and as a four-time (2004-2007) *Decatur Herald* Player of the Year.
- Highlighted as an Illinois Basketball Coaches Association All-State first team member in 2004-2007.
- Named the state and Apollo Conference Player of the Year in 2004 and 2006.
- Area player of the year and all-state first team in 2004, 2005 and 2006.

High School Notes

- Tallied state highs of 4,031 points, 855 free throws made and 1,500 made field goals as well as 795 rebounds and 465 steals in four varsity seasons at East Richland High School (Ill.).
- Scored 40 or more points in 18 games and 30 or more in 78 games.
- As a senior in 2006-07, led East Richland to 29-3 and averaged 32.0 ppg..
- Led East Richland to a state title as a junior in 2005-06 and averaged 31.7 ppg., 7.0 rpg., 3.0 apg. and 3.8 spg.
- Averaged 31.0 ppg., 6.0 rpg., 2.8 apg. and 3.4 spg as a sophomore in 2004-05 and scored a single-season school-record 929 points.
- As a freshman in 2003-04, averaged 25.9 ppg., 5.0 rpg., 2.6 apg. and 3.3 spg and captured the state freshman scoring record with 855 points on the season.

Personal Notes

- Born April 8, 1989, in Ft. Myers, Florida, she now lives in Olney, Illinois.
- Daughter of Joby and Judy Johnson, she has one brother, Jeremy, and three sisters, Leah, Kaydi and Kelli.
- An honor student at East Richland, she also plays volleyball.
- She would like to pursue a career as a college coach or broadcaster.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* volleyball.
- *Favorite basketball players:* Olympians Sheryl Swoopes, Dwyane Wade, Lisa Leslie and Shaquille O'Neal.
- *Favorite team:* the L.A. Lakers and the Miami Heat.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Marian Jones.
- *Best player I have faced:* fellow trials participant Maya Moore.
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* Olympian Sheryl Swoopes.
- *Away from the court:* I like to watch movies, listen to music, work out and hang out with friends.
- *Most people don't know:* I am afraid of the dark.
- *My first basketball memory is of:* dropping my gum while dribbling down the court, picking it up and chewing it again.
- *I am superstitious about:* making sure my closet doors are shut before I go to bed and that I can't see any mirrors.
- *If stranded on an island, I would want:* a companion, an iPod and a toothbrush.
- *Favorite food:* spaghetti.



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5-11 • 125 lbs.

Guard

April 8, 1989

East Richland H.S.

Olney, Ill.

JANTEL LAVENDER



66

6-4 • 210 lbs.

Center

Nov. 11, 1988

Cleveland Central Catholic H.S. '07

Cleveland, Ohio

USA Basketball Notes

- Gold Medal:** 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship.
- Member of the 2006 USA U18 National Team that went 4-0 and won the gold medal at the 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship, which qualified the United States for the 2007 FIBA U19 World Championship.
 - Averaged 5.8 ppg. and 6.3 rpg. in just under 13 minutes a game, saw her best outing against Paraguay with 10 points and 12 rebounds, also grabbed six rebounds to go with five points against Argentina in the medal semifinals.

College Notes

- Signed a national letter of intent to attend and play for The Ohio State University in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American.
- Tabbed as a 2007 Gatorade State Player of the Year.
- A member of the 2007 *Parade Magazine* and EA Sports All-America first teams and the *USA Today* All-USA second team.
- Named to the *Parade Magazine* All-America third team in 2006.
- Tabbed Ohio's Miss Basketball.
- Selected to the all-state first team in 2006 and 2007 and the second teams in 2004 and 2005.
- Honored as an all-league, all-county and all-district selection in 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

High School Notes

- Tallied 1,978 points, 1,278 rebounds and 527 assists in four varsity seasons at Cleveland Central Catholic (Ohio).
- Become the school's all-time leading scorer and rebounder as a junior.
- As a senior in 2006-07, started in all 26 games played and averaged 23.0 ppg. and 17.0 rpg to help her squad to 25-1 and a Division III state title.
- As a junior in 2005-06, averaged 23.7 ppg., 18.0 rpg., 4.0 apg., 3.5 spg and 4.0 bpg. while leading her team to a 19-4 record.
- Helped her team to a 24-2 record as a sophomore in 2004-05, after averaging 22.0 ppg., 18.0 rpg., 2.7 apg., 2.0 spg and 4.3 bpg.
- Averaged 18.0 ppg., 14.0 rpg., 1.0 apg., 1.4 spg and 2.7 bpg. as a freshman in 2003-04 to help her squad to a 20-4 record.

Personal Notes

- Born November 12, 1988, in Cleveland, Ohio, she now resides in Euclid, Ohio.
- Daughter of Freddie and Robin Lavender, has one brother, Freddie, and a twin sister, Jazmine.
- Also played volleyball in high school and was named all-state and all-league first team.
- Was a member of the National Honor Society and graduated Summa Cum Laude.
- Her brother played college football and basketball.
- Aspires to be a women's basketball announcer or coach.
- Favorite sport aside from basketball:* volleyball.
- Favorite basketball players:* Olympians LeBron James and Lisa Leslie.
- Favorite team:* the Miami Heat and the Cleveland Cavaliers.
- Best player I have faced:* Barbara Turner.
- I want to play one-on-one against:* LeBron James.
- The most impressive person I have met is:* Bill Walton, because of his professionalism.
- Away from the court:* I like to shop and do hair.
- Most people don't know:* I was a very good volleyball player and had college offers.
- The most interesting place I have visited is:* New Orleans.
- My first basketball memory is of:* winning districts my freshman year.
- I am superstitious about:* about splitting poles.
- I can't live without:* my family, basketball and friends.
- If stranded on an island, I would want:* food, water and family and friends.
- Favorite food:* everything.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006 U18	4/1	9- 21	.429	0- 0	---	5- 8	.625	25/ 6.3	23/ 5.8	4	2	2

MELISSA LECHLITNER



10

5-7 • 135 lbs.

Guard

Jan. 24, 1988

Notre Dame '10

Mishawaka, Ind.

College Honors

- Named to the 2007 Big East Conference All-Freshman Team.

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, averaged 6.3 ppg., 2.0 rpg., 2.7 apg. and 1.3 spg. to help Notre Dame to a 20-12 record and the NCAA Tournament second round.
- In Big East competition, her 1.55 assists-to-turnover ratio ranked seventh.

High School Honors

- Selected as a Street & Smith's All-America honorable mention in 2006.
- A four-time all-state selection and a four-time *South Bend Tribune* all-metro pick (2003 through 2006).
- Named the 2006 all-Northern Indiana Conference Player of the Year in 2006 and to the All-NIC first team in 2005.
- Honored as the 2006 WSBT-TV Outstanding Student-Athlete of the Year.
- Selected to the 2006 Indiana All-Star squad.
- Tabbed as a Hoosier Basketball Magazine Top 40 selection in 2006 and named to the Regional Roundball Review Super Senior 25 Team.

High School Notes

- Averaged 16.4 ppg., 6.0 apg. and 3.4 spg. with a 34.3 3-point percentage in her prep career at St. Joseph's High School (Ind.).
- Compiled an 88-16 (.846) overall record in four-year tenure, including four regional titles, four berths in the state semifinals, two trips to the state title game and the 2005 3A state championship.
- Set numerous school records, including career points (1,701), assists (626) and steals (354).
- As a senior in 2005-06, averaged 21.2 ppg., 6.7 apg. and 3.6 spg. to help her squad to a 22-3 record. Compiled a school single-season record 529 points.
- Tallied a career-high 35 points vs. South Bend Washington in 2005.
- Scored 28 points (second-most in 3A state finals history), including three critical three-pointers (tying finals record) in the 2005 state title game.

Personal Notes

- Born to Lori and Craig Lechlitner in South Bend, Indiana.
- Has one sister, Amanda, and one brother, Kyle. Amanda, played basketball at Southern Indiana (2002-04), and Kyle competes in the pole vault at Indiana.
- *Last book read for pleasure:* "The Tenth Circle" by Joci Picoult.
- *Room that best defines me:* any room where I can sleep.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* the living room.
- *Favorite takeout food:* a chicken burrito.
- *I drive:* a Bravada.
- *If I could trade in my car for anything it would be:* the James Bond car, an Aston Martin.
- *When I was five I wanted to be:* a pro basketball player.
- *On my bedside table is:* a clock.
- *If I could live in any city in the world it would be:* Chicago, Illinois.
- *My next big purchase will be:* a house.
- *Favorite magazine:* Cosmopolitan.
- *Always in my fridge:* water.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* football.
- *Favorite basketball player:* two-time Olympian Michael Jordan.

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	31/ 0	68-198	.343	12-61	.197	47-62	.758	63/ 2.0	195/ 6.3	83	1	40

DEMAURIA LILES



67

6-1 • 165 lbs.

Forward

Jan. 13, 1988

Gulf Coast C.C. '10

Suitland, Md.

USA Basketball Notes

Silver Medal: 2005 Youth Development Festival.

- Member of the 2005 USA Youth Development Festival White Team that went 2-3 and earned the silver medal.
- Ranked tied for fourth among all 2005 Festival participants for blocked shots (1.2 bpg.).
- Notched her highs of eight points versus Canada and six rebounds against Blue in preliminary play.

College Notes

- Averaged 7.2 ppg. as a freshman in 2006-07 to help Gulf Coast C.C. to a 27-4 record and the Panhandle Conference regular season title.
- Just missed a berth to the 2007 NJCAA Women's Tournament with a loss in the Florida Community College State Tournament championship game.

High School Honors

- Named All-Prince George's County in 2005.
- Attended Riverdale Baptist High School (Md.).
- Had her best career game against Willingboro High School (N.J.) after posting 20 points and 16 rebounds.
- As a junior in 2004-05, led Riverdale Baptist to a 33-1 record and a final ranking of No. 3 by USA Today after averaging 16.1 ppg., 11.0 rpg., 2.5 spg., 2.3 apg. and 2.3 bpg.
- In 2003-04 as a sophomore, averaged 10.0 ppg., 8.0 rpg., 2.5 bpg. and 2.0 spg. as Riverdale Baptist finished with a 31-3 record.

Personal Notes

- Born on January 13, 1988, in Camden, New Jersey.
- Daughter of Denise Liles; has one sister, Montw'aynise, 17, and one brother, Anth'aan, 4 months.
- Her mother ran track in college.
- Wants to become a computer analyst after basketball.
- *Room that best defines me:* the kitchen, I love to eat.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* the kitchen and the living room.
- *Favorite takeout food:* hot wings.
- *Favorite meal to make at home:* hot wings.
- *If I could be a standout athlete in any sport it would be:* track.
- *When I was five I wanted to be:* a cop.
- *On my bedside table is:* my phone and candy.
- *My next big purchase will be:* shoes.
- *Most read online newspaper:* The Washington Post.
- *Always in my fridge:* water, juice and lunch meat.
- *Always on my fridge:* chips and snacks.
- *Favorite basketball players:* Tim Duncan and Tamika Catchings.
- *Best player I ever faced:* Crystal Langhorne.
- *I want to go one-on-one against:* Tamika Catchings.
- *Most people don't know:* I am shy.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2005 DF-Wh	5/1	5- 20	.250	0- 2	.000	6- 11	.545	13/ 2.6	16/ 3.2	3	6	3

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	31/28	87-207	.420	1-7	.143	49-65	.754	143/ 4.6	224/ 7.2	32	22	25

TAYLOR LILLEY



11

5-6 • 135 lbs.

Guard

Feb. 29, 1988

Oregon '10

Stevenson Ranch,
Calif.

College Notes

- Awarded 2007 Pac-10 All-Freshman honorable mention.

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, started three of 24 games played, averaged 8.3 ppg., 2.2 rpg. and 1.2 apg. to help Oregon to a 17-14 record and the third round of the WNIT.
- Shot 50.6 percent from long range (39-77 3pt FGs) to lead all Pac-10 shooters and set Oregon's single-season record.
- Became the second player in Pac-10 history to make more threes than she missed.
- Led the Ducks in field goal percentage (.479).

High School Honors

- Honored as the CIF-Southern Section Division I-A Player of the Year, the Foothill League MVP, The Los Angeles Times Player of the Year and The Signal Player of the Year.
- Named to the 2006 Cal-Hi Sports' girls' basketball All-State second team.

High School Notes

- Made 275-of-624 3-point attempts (.441) during her career, the second highest percentage nationally among players with at least 400 attempts.
- Tied the California State record for long range accuracy as a senior, hitting 119-of-238 (.500) from beyond the arc.
- Averaged 18.8 ppg., 2.7 apg. and 3.2 spg. as a senior, in 2005-06 to lead Hart H.S. (Calif.) to a 28-5 mark and its first Southern Section Division I-A championship since 1990.

Personal Notes

- Born Taylor Paige Lilley in Van Nuys, California, to Deborah Lilley.
- Has an older sister, Erika, 28.
- Intends to major in business.
- Her sister played college volleyball.
- *Last book read for pleasure:* the Bible, because I want to better understand my beliefs.
- *Room that best defines me:* the bathroom because that's where I put on make-up, which I enjoy thoroughly.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* my mom's room, watching TV with her.
- *Morning ritual:* hit the snooze button twice before getting up.
- *Favorite takeout food:* a Quizno's sandwich with turkey on wheat with olives and pickles only!
- *Favorite meal to make at home:* pasta with marinara sauce because it's easy to make.
- *If I could be a standout athlete in any sport it would be:* triathlon.
- *I drive:* my mom's Dodge Neon.
- *If I could trade in my car for anything it would be:* a white, 2008 Range Rover with 20-inch rims.
- *The one thing I can't ever part with:* a big, white teddy bear I received from the hospital because I was born in a leap year (on leap day).
- *When I was five I wanted to be:* a professional dancer.
- *On my bedside table is:* an alarm clock.
- *My next big purchase will be:* attempting to buy a car.
- *Favorite magazine:* Zink.
- *Always in my fridge:* Milk, fresh or not.
- *Always on my fridge:* pictures of my family and magnets.
- *One piece of clothing I can't live without:* sweat pants and sweatshirts.
- *Favorite sports aside from basketball:* dancing, football and hockey.
- *Favorite basketball players:* Jason Kidd and Vince Carter.
- *I want to go one-on-one against:* LeBron James.
- *Most people don't know:* I am only four years old because I was born on Feb. 29.
- *I can't live without:* her mom, her iPod and her work ethic.
- *Favorite food:* garlic lemon chicken.

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	24/3	70-146	.479	39-77	.506	19-26	.731	53/ 2.2	/ 8.3	29	6	18

ITALEE LUCAS

USA Basketball Notes

- Gold Medal:** 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship.
- Member of the 2006 USA U18 National Team that went 4-0 and won the gold medal at the 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship, which qualified the United States for the 2007 FIBA U19 World Championship.
 - Started two games, averaged a team fourth-best 10.8 ppg. and passed off a team second-best 3.0 apg. in just under 20 minutes a game.
 - Scored in double digits three times, including 15 points versus Paraguay in the USA's opener, scored 11 points and passed off six assists in the gold medal game against Canada.

College Notes

- Signed a national letter of intent to attend and play for the University of North Carolina in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American.
- Tabbed as a 2007 Gatorade State Player of the Year.
- Honored as a 2007 *Parade Magazine* and EA Sports All-America first team member and a *USA Today* All-USA second team member.
- Named a *Parade Magazine* All-America second team member in 2006.
- Tabbed as a *Street & Smith's* All-America sixth team member in 2006.
- Highlighted as the *Las Vegas Review-Journal* Nevada Player of the Year in 2006 and 2007.
- Honored as the state MVP in 2004-2007 and as the district MVP in 2005 and 2006.
- An all-region selection in 2004, 2005 and 2006 and an all-conference selection in 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

High School Notes

- Tallied 2,780 points in four varsity seasons at Centennial High School (Nev.).
- Recorded career highs of 57 points, 20 rebounds and 15 assists.
- As a senior in 2006-07, started in all 35 games played and averaged 24.6 ppg., 9.0 rpg., 3.4 apg., 3.5 spg. and 2.0 bpg. to help her squad to 31-4 and a second in state finish.
- Scored 42 points in the 2006 state tournament to capture the state tournament single-game record.
- As a junior in 2004-05, averaged 22.8 ppg., 5.2 rpg., 8.6 apg., 4.6 spg and 2.1 bpg. while leading her team to 28-3 and a third place finish in the state.

Personal Notes

- Born in her hometown of Las Vegas, Nevada.
- Daughter of LaMar and her stepmother Tammi Lucas, has one brother, Isaiah, and one sister, Aja, 6 months.
- Her father played collegiate basketball at Wayland Baptist University (Texas) and professionally in Asia.
- Wants to pursue a career in the WNBA and as an ESPN commentator.
- Played AAU for the West Coast Elite.
- Favorite sport aside from basketball:* soccer.
- Favorite basketball player:* two-time Olympian Michael Jordan.
- Favorite team:* the Phoenix Suns.
- Best player I have faced:* my dad.
- I want to play one-on-one against:* Ivory Latta.
- Most people don't know:* my ears turn red when I get embarrassed.
- I can't live without:* rules.
- If stranded on an island, I would want:* water, my best friend and food.
- Favorite food:* ribs.



41

5-9 • 152 lbs.

Guard

Jan. 12, 1989

Centennial H.S. '07

Las Vegas, Nev.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006 U18	4/2	16- 37	.432	4- 1	.364	7- 8	.875	6/ 1.5	43/ 10.8	12	2	2

DREY MINGO

USA Basketball Notes

- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.

College Notes

- Signed a National Letter of Intent to play for and attend the University of Maryland in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American, was MVP of the McDonald's game.
- Named to the 2007 *Parade Magazine* fourth team.
- An all-state first team selection in 2005 and 2006 and 2007.
- Named to the All-Dekalb County first team in 2006 and 2007.
- Tabbed the Northside Player of the Year in 2007 and 2006 and All-Northside first team in 2005.

High School Notes

- Tallied more than 2,000 points and 1,000 rebounds in four varsity seasons at Marist School (Ga.).
- Recorded career highs of 34 points and 18 rebounds.
- As a senior in 2006-07, started in 35 games played and averaged 19.0 ppg., 10.0 rpg., 2.0 spg. and 3.0 bpg. to help her team to a 30-5 record and the state title game.
- Led Marist High School (Ga.) to a state title appearance and a 29-3 record as a junior in 2005-06 and averaged 19.0 ppg., 10.0 rpg., 3.0 spg., 2.0 spg and 3.0 bpg.
- As a sophomore averaged 18.0 ppg., 9.0 rpg. and 3.0 bpg. in leading Marist to a fourth place in the state finish.
- Was a starter on varsity at The Westminster School (Conn.) as a freshman in 2003-04 and helped her team to 29-5.

Personal Notes

- Born in her hometown of Atlanta, Georgia.
- Her full name is Andrea Mingo, but she goes by Drey.
- Daughter of Jennifer Mingo, has two brothers, Andre Mingo, 13, and Khaalis Brannam, 30.
- An honor-roll/Dean's list student every year since kindergarten, she maintains a 3.8 GPA.
- She would like to pursue a career in pediatric cardiology.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* tennis.
- *Favorite team:* the Indiana Fever.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Serena Williams.
- *Best player I have faced:* Tasha Humphrey.
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* Olympian Dwyane Wade.
- *Favorite announcer:* Trey Wingo. :)
- *Away from the court:* I like to solve sudoku puzzles, write and listen to music.
- *Most people don't know:* I started as a tennis player and cheerleader in seventh grade.
- *I can't live without:* basketball and my iPod.
- *Favorite food:* seafood alfredo from the Olive Garden.



42

6-2 • 187 lbs.

Forward

July 14, 1989

Marist School '07

Atlanta, Ga.

JACINTA MONROE

College Honors

- Named to the 2007 Atlantic Coast Conference All-Freshman team.
- A three-time ACC Rookie of the Week. For the week of Jan. 29, averaged 11.5 ppg. and 9.0 rpg; for the week of Jan. 8, lead FSU to three wins; and earn the ACC's first Rookie of the Week honor after posting 23 points and 21 rebounds in her college debut.

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, started 14 of 34 games played and averaged 8.1 ppg., a team second best 6.0 rpg. and a team leading 1.9 bpg. to help her squad to a 24-10 record and the NCAA Sweet Sixteen.
- Collected a 2007 ACC single-game record 21 rebounds vs. UAB on Nov. 12.
- Blocked a career-high five shots in an NCAA Tournament win over Old Dominion.
- Scored in double figures 14 times and recorded five double-doubles in 2006-07.
- Led the team in scoring twice, including 15 points vs. LSU in the Sweet Sixteen.

High School Honors

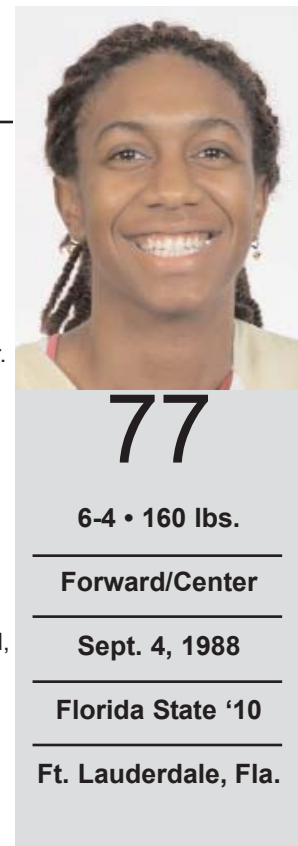
- Earned Florida Sports Writers Association girls' 5A all-state honors in 2006 (first team), 2005 (third team) and 2004 (second team).
- Named the Gatorade Florida Girls' Basketball Player of the Year in 2006.
- A three-time all-Broward County first team selection.
- Received *Orlando Sentinel* All-South honorable mention in 2006.
- Tabbed a 2005 AAU 16U All-American.
- Pegged as a *Street & Smith's* All-America honorable mention in 2005.

High School Notes

- As a senior at Stranahan High School in 2005-06, averaged 20.6 ppg., 15.9 rpg., 8.5 bpg. and 4.4 spg.
- Averaged 24.7 ppg., 18.1 rpg. and 2.6 apg. as a junior in 2004-05

Personal Notes

- Born to Lisha Monroe in her hometown of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.
- Has a brother, Jayce, 21.
- Is the cousin of Kenyon Dooling.
- Aspires to work for the FBI as a criminal psychologist or interrogator.
- Also competed in volleyball and track for Stranahan
- *Last book read for pleasure:* "Body Trace." I love crime scene investigation.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* the bedroom.
- *Traveling ritual:* listen to music, call loved ones and stay focused.
- *Favorite takeout food:* Chinese food, shrimp fried rice.
- *Favorite meal to make at home:* chicken and potato salad, a meal my grandma taught me to make.
- *I drive:* a Chevy Monte Carlo.
- *If I could trade in my car for anything it would be:* I wouldn't trade my car.
- *On my bedside table is:* my music.
- *If I could live in any city in the world it would be:* Orlando, Florida, because it's a tourist town.
- *My next big purchase will be:* a digital camcorder.
- *Always in my fridge:* Lemonade, milk and takeout food.
- *Always on my fridge:* lots of cereal and Cheetos Puffs.
- *Most prized possession:* my Bible because I have to keep God in my life.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* track.
- *Favorite basketball players:* Olympians Dwyane Wade and Cynthia Cooper-Dyke.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Maurice Green.
- *Best player I ever faced:* Khadijah Whittington.
- *I want to go one-on-one against:* Candace Parker.
- *When not playing hoops:* I draw and watch movies.
- *Most people don't know:* I like to keep my nails done and hate cutting them during the season.
- *I'm superstitious about:* praying--without it, good things don't come your way.
- *I can't live without:* my Bible, which I must keep near me.
- *Favorite food:* Jamaican and Chinese.



College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	34/14	111-206	.539	1-5	.200	53-82	.646	204- 6.0	276/ 8.1	16	63	27

MAYA MOORE



43

6-0 • 162 lbs.

Forward

June 6, 1989

Collins Hill H.S. '07

Lawrenceville, Ga.

USA Basketball Notes

Gold Medal: 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship.

- Member of the 2006 USA U18 National Team that went 4-0 and won the gold medal at the 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship, which qualified the United States for the 2007 FIBA U19 World Championship.
- Started three games and was the USA's fifth-leading scorer (9.5 ppg.), while adding 5.5 rpg. and a team-high 3.8 spg. in under 20 mpg.
- Scored her best of 12 points in the USA's gold medal victory over Canada and just missed out on a double-double with nine points and nine rebounds over Argentina in the medal semifinal contest.

College Notes

- Signed a national letter of intent to attend and play for the University of Connecticut in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Two-time Naismith High School Player of the Year in 2007 and 2006
- Named the 2007 *USA Today*, Morgan Wooten, WBCA/State Farm and Gatorade National Player of the Year.
- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's, WBCA and EA Sports All-American.
- Honored as a *Parade Magazine* All-America first team selection in 2007 and 2006.
- Named the Gatorade State Player of the Year and Miss Georgia Basketball in 2007 and 2006.
- The only high school junior named to the 2006 *USA Today* All-USA first team, listed as a sophomore and freshman to watch in 2005 and 2004, respectively.
- Named to *Street & Smith's* All-America first team in 2006.
- Honored as a *Sports Illustrated* All-American in 2006.
- A three-time Nike High School All-American in 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- Tabbed as the County Player of the Year by the *Gwinnet Daily Post*, the *Atlanta Journal Constitution* and Gwinnett County Tip Off Club in 2005 and 2006.

High School Notes

- Tallied school records of 2,664 points, 1212 rebounds, 476 steals and 309 free throws made in four varsity seasons at Collins Hill High School (Ga.).
- Holds several single-season school records including points (790), points averaged (25.5 ppg.) rebounds (375), field goals made (314) and free throws made (108).
- Recorded career highs of 48 points, 24 rebounds and 10 steals.
- As a senior in 2006-07, averaged 25.5 ppg., 12.1 rpg., 4.0 apg., 4.3 spg. and 2.3 bpg. to help her squad to a 31-0 record and a 5A state title.

- Helped Collins Hill, which is 125-3 since Moore joined the roster as a freshman, to a *USA Today* and SI.com No. 2 national ranking in 2006.
- As a junior in 2005-06, averaged 23.2 ppg., 11.3 rpg., 4.6 apg., 5.4 spg and 2.0 bpg. while leading her team to a second straight state title.
- Captured a state title and a 31-1 record in 2004-05, after averaging 17.4 ppg., 9.0 rpg., 2.7 apg., 3.0 spg and 2.3 bpg.
- As a freshman in 2003-04, averaged 17.5 ppg., 6.0 rpg., 1.7 apg., 2.4 spg and 1.1 bpg. to help her team to 32-1 and a state runner-up finish.

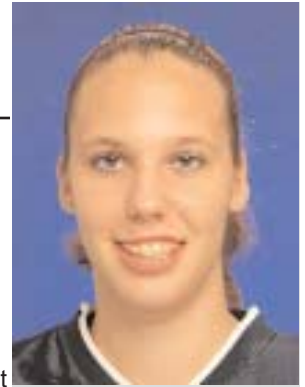
Personal Notes

- Born in Jefferson City, Missouri, she now resides in Lawrenceville, Georgia.
- The only child of Kathryn Moore, who played volleyball at Occidental College (Calif.).
- An all-county track and field athlete, with a regional high jump title (5'8") and a state runner-up finish in 2005.
- Graduated with honors, named the 2006 Outstanding Gifted Junior Language Arts Student and the recipient of the Scholar Athlete Award in 2006 and 2007.
- Recipient of the U.S. Marine Corps & School Sports Leadership Award in April 2006.
- Aspires to play in the WNBA and work in broadcasting or nutrition.
- Played AAU for the Georgia Metros, averaged 16.5 ppg., 5.5 rpg. and 2.7 apg. in the summer of 2006.
- Helped Georgia Metros win 2006 Nike Nationals, U.S. Jr. Nationals and Battle in the Boro Tournament titles. A seven-time AAU state champion, has won two AAU National Championship gold medals.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* track, volleyball and football.
- *I play the:* the drums.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Cynthia Cooper-Dyke.
- *Favorite team:* the Houston Comets.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Marion Jones.
- *Best player I have faced:* Tasha Humphrey.
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* Olympian Tamika Catchings.
- *Away from the court:* I like to go to church, watch movies, cook, read and spend time with family and friends.
- *Most people don't know:* I am a homebody.
- *If stranded on an island, I would want:* my Bible, a CD player and CDs.
- *Favorite food:* spaghetti with meatballs.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006 U18	4/3	14- 40	.350	1- 7	.143	9-13	.692	22/ 5.5	38/ 9.5	9	4	15

KAYLA PEDERSEN



44

6-4 • 195 lbs.

Forward

April 14, 1989

Red Mountain H.S. '07

Fountain Hills, Ariz.

USA Basketball Notes

- Gold Medal:** 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship
- Member of the 2006 USA U18 National Team that went 4-0 and won the gold medal at the 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship, which qualified the United States for the 2007 FIBA U19 World Championship.
 - Started three games and averaged 6.3 ppg. and a USA fourth-best 7.0 rpg. in just over 20 minutes a game.
 - Grabbed a team-high 12 rebounds against Brazil to go with eight points, also scored eight points against Canada in the gold medal game.

College Notes

- Signed a national letter of intent to attend and play for Stanford University in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Named a 2007 McDonald's All-American and a WBCA All-America honorable mention.
- Tabbed the 2006 and 2007 Arizona Player of the Year by Gatorade, the *Arizona Republic* and the *East Valley Tribune*.
- Selected to the 2007 *Parade Magazine* All-America first team and the 2006 third team.
- A 2007 *USA Today* All-USA second team selection.
- Honored as a four-time (2004-2007) All-East Valley Region first team selection.
- Selected to the 2007 EA Sports All-America first team and the 2006 second team.
- Named to the 2005 *Arizona Republic* and *East Valley Tribune* all-state first teams.
- Selected to the 2004 all-state second team.
- Named to the Arizona Elite and End of the Trail AAU all-tournament teams, also participated in the adidas Top Ten Camp and the Nike Skills Academy.

High School Notes

- Started in all 125 games played in four varsity seasons at Red Mountain H.S. (Ariz.).
- Scored 2,611 career points to become Arizona's all-time 5A scoring leader.
- Set career scoring, rebounding, assists and blocked shots records at Red Mountain with 1,444 rebounds, 434 assists, 219 steals and 304 blocked shots. Shot 52.0 percent from the field and 77.0 percent from the line.
- As a senior in 2006-07, averaged 23.9 ppg., 11.2 rpg., 3.2 apg., 1.6 spg. and 2.0 bpg. to lead Red Mountain to a 26-6 record and state championship title. Shot 51.0 percent from the field and 77.0 percent from the line.
- Recorded career highs of 47 points and 22 rebounds in 2005-06.
- Finished the 2005-06 season averaging 22.9 ppg., 12.0 rpg., 3.0 apg., 1.5 spg. and 2.1 bpg. to help her squad to a 27-5 record and the state championship game. Shot 54.0 percent from the field and 75.0 percent from the line.
- Helped her squad to the 2004-05 state quarterfinals and a 25-7 record, averaging 22.0 ppg., 12.6 rpg., 3.3 apg., 2.2 spg. and 3.3 bpg. Shot 54.0 percent from the field and 73.0 percent from the line.
- As a freshman in 2003-04, averaged 16.7 ppg., 10.4 rpg., 3.2 apg., 1.5 spg. and 2.3 bpg. to help Red Mountain to a 18-14 record.

Personal Notes

- Born in Flint, Michigan, to Kelli and Gary Pedersen, has a 15-year-old brother, Kyle.
- Cousin Adam Travis serves in the U.S. Air Force.
- Father played college basketball.
- Ranks the top 1.0 percent of her class academically, No. 6 of 757 students.
- Post-basketball, she would like to have a family.
- Favorite player:* Steve Nash and Dirk Nowitzki.
- Favorite team:* Phoenix Suns.
- Away from the court:* I like to hang out with friends.
- Favorite food is:* chicken alfredo.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006 U18	4/3	7- 31	.226	3- 9	.333	8- 12	.667	28/ 7.0	25/ 6.3	6	2	7

PORSHA PHILLIPS



45

6-0 • 155 lbs.

Forward

Jan. 13, 1988

Louisiana State '10

Stone Mountain, Ga.

USA Basketball Notes

- Bronze Medal:** 2005 USA Youth Development Festival.
- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.
 - Member of the 2005 USA Youth Development Festival Red Team that finished with a 3-2 slate and the bronze medal.
 - Ranked tied for 19th among all 2005 Festival participants for scoring (6.0 ppg.), third for blocked shots (1.4 bpg.), ninth for rebounding (6.2 rpg.) and free throw percentage (.714), eighth for defensive rebounds per game (3.8) and tied for 12th for offensive rebounds per game (2.4).
 - Had 11 points and eight rebounds against White in the semis, grabbed eight rebounds against Canada in preliminary play.

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, started six of 38 games played and averaged 3.8 ppg. and 2.9 rpg. to help LSU to a 30-8 record, the Southeastern Conference Tournament title game and the NCAA Final Four.
- Ranked 13th in the SEC for blocked shots with a total of 35 blocks (0.95 bpg).

High School Honors

- Named a *USA Today* All-USA third team member in 2006.
- Selected to the *Parade Magazine* All-America third team in 2006.
- Honored as a WBCA and McDonald's All-American in 2006. In the McDonald's All-American Game she tallied seven points, four rebounds, two assists and two blocks in 17 minutes.
- Member of the 2004-05 Redan squad that won the Naismith Award as the Girls High School Team of the Year.
- DeKalb County Player of the Year in 2004 and 2005.

High School Notes

- Recorded career highs of 31 points (vs. Tri-Cities) and 14 blocks (vs. Winter Haven) at Redan High School (Ga.).
- As a senior in 2005-06, averaged 18.8 ppg., 8.0 rpg., 2.0 apg., 2.0 spg and 4.5 bpg. while leading Redan to a 32-5 record.
- Helped Redan to a 33-5 record and a state runner-up finish in 2004-05, averaged 18.8 ppg., 8.5 rpg., 1.3 apg., 2.8 spg and 4.5 bpg. as a junior in 2004-05.
- As a sophomore in 2003-04, averaged 17.5 ppg., 8.5 rpg., 2.5 apg., 2.4 spg and 3.8 bpg. as Redan finished 23-8.
- Averaged 16.8 ppg., 7.5 rpg., 2.5 apg., 1.2 spg and 4.2 bpg. as a freshman in 2002-03, finishing 24-8.

Personal Notes

- Born in her hometown of Stone Mountain, Georgia.
- Daughter of James and Lue Phillips; has three brothers, Jamil, 29, Brandon, 25, and P.J., 20.
- Brother Brandon plays baseball for the Cincinnati Reds, and P.J. plays for the Los Angeles Angels organization.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* the patio.
- *Favorite takeout food:* crab cakes
- *Favorite meal to make at home:* cereal.
- *If I could be a standout athlete in any sport it would be:* softball.
- *I drive:* a Denali.
- *If I could trade in my car for anything it would be:* a Hummer Truck.
- *The one thing I can't ever part with:* obsolete hair supplies.
- *When I was five I wanted to be:* a cheerleader.
- *On my bedside table is:* my cell phone.
- *If I could live in any city in the world it would be:* Atlanta.
- *My next big purchase will be:* a Louis Vuitton purse.
- *Favorite magazine:* Seventeen and Y.M.
- *Always in my fridge:* milk.
- *Always on my fridge:* a calendar.
- *One piece of clothing I can't live without:* shirts.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* softball.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Olympian Lisa Leslie.
- *I want to go one-on-one against:* Maya Moore.
- *Most people don't know:* I love animals.
- *I can't live without:* money, clothes, accessories and my parents.
- *Favorite food:* seafood.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2005 DF-R	5/1	10- 30	.333	0- 0	---	10- 14	.714	31/ 6.2	30/ 6.0	3	7	6

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	38/ 6	62-194	.320	5-32	.156	14-21	.667	110/ 2.9	143/ 3.8	28	35	26

JEANETTE POHLEN

College Notes

- Has signed a National Letter of Intent to play for and attend Stanford University in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American.
- Tabbed as a 2007 Gatorade State Player of the Year.
- Named to the 2007 *Parade Magazine* All-America second team and the EA Sports All-America first team.
- Named the Orange County Player of the Year in 2007, 2006 and 2005, and the *Los Angeles Times* Player of the Year in 2007.
- Honored as Miss California Basketball in 2007, was a finalist in 2006.
- The CIF-SS Division IAA co-Player of the Year in 2007, was the 2006 Division IIA Player of the Year in 2006 and the Division IIA co-Player of the Year in 2005.
- Named to the All-State by division and All-State by class teams in 2007, 2006 and 2005.
- Included on EA Sports 2006 All-America listings.

High School Notes

- Started in all 132 games played and tallied school records of 2,196 points and 1,140 rebounds in four varsity seasons at Brea Olinda H.S. (Calif.).
- Also set records at Brea Olinda for single-season points (792), rebounds (383), field goals made (308) and free throws made (173) and attempted (228); and single-game records for free throws made (16) and attempted (21).
- Recorded career highs of 35 points, 27 rebounds, 9, assists, 11 steals and 6 blocks.
- As a senior in 2006-07, started in all 35 games played and averaged 22.6 ppg, 10.1 rpg., 4.9 apg., 3.3 spg. and 1.6 bpg. to help her squad to a 33-2 record and the Division II state championship game.
- Averaged 18.9 ppg., 11.8 rpg., 5.3 apg., 3.0 spg. and 2.0 bpg. as a junior in 2005-06 to help her squad to a 20-12 record.
- As a junior in 2004-05, averaged 16.7 ppg., 8.0 rpg. and 4.1 apg. to help her squad to a 25-8 record.
- Helped her squad to a 27-6 record as a freshman in 2003-04 and averaged 8.3 ppg., 5.0 rpg., 1.9 apg., 2.0 spg. and 1.0 bpg.
- Played AAU for the Cal Swish - Black in 2005 and 2006, and helped her squad to tournament championships at the River City Classic in 2005 and 2006 and Oregon Trail in 2006. Named MVP of the 2006 River City Classic and Oregon Trail, also named to the River City Classic All-Tournament Team.

Personal Notes

- Born to Cindy and John Pohlen in Downey, California, she now resides in Brea, California.
- Has two brothers, John, 22, and Tom, 20.
- Relatives Jack Swisher, Al Swisher and John Pohlen played college basketball; and Pat Pohlen played college football.
- Her grandfather Paul Pohlen, uncles Mike Pohlen and Jerry Pohlen; cousins John Pohlen, Mike Zenk, Mary Zenk and David and Amy Pohlen either currently serve or have served in the U.S. Air Force. Her cousin Isaac Zenk serves in the U.S. Marines Corps.
- Would like to pursue a career in journalism or broadcasting.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* volleyball.
- *I play the:* the piano.
- *Favorite basketball player:* two-time Olympian Michael Jordan.
- *Favorite teams:* the Los Angeles Lakers and Stanford Women.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Dave Waddell, a runner.
- *Best player I have faced:* Candice Wiggins
- *Away from the court:* I like to spend time with my friends and family, go to the beach and movies and shop.
- *Most people don't know:* I can speak Japanese.
- *I am superstitious about:* wearing calf-length socks, my livestrong wristband and shaving the night before a game.
- *If stranded on an island, I would want:* an iPod, cell phone, Oreos and peanut butter.
- *Favorite food:* Mexican and Japanese.



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6-0 • 165 lbs.

Guard

May 2, 1989

Brea Olinda H.S. '07

Brea, Calif.

BRITTAINY RAVEN



13

6-0 • 155 lbs.

Guard

Aug. 1, 1988

University of Texas
'10

Fort Worth, Texas

USA Basketball Notes

Gold Medal: 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship.

Bronze Medal: 2005 Youth Development Festival.

- A member of the 2006 USA U18 National Team that went 4-0 and won the gold medal at the 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship, which qualified the United States for the 2007 FIBA U19 World Championship.
- Averaged 3.3 ppg. and 2.7 rpg. in nine minutes a game, was injured and missed the gold medal contest against Canada. Her best game came against Paraguay in the opener with six points and four rebounds.
- Member of the 2005 USA Youth Development Festival Red Team that finished with a 3-2 slate and the bronze medal.
- Tied the all-time Festival single-game record for steals with eight against Canada in preliminary play.
- Ranked sixth among all 2005 Festival participants for scoring (11.0 ppg.) and field goal percentage (.404), tied for third for steals (3.0 spg.) and tied for fourth for assists (2.6 apg.).
- Scored in double digits twice and scored no less than eight points in the remaining three games.
- Notched 19 points against Canada in preliminary play, scored 10 points against White in the opener and passed off for five assists to go with nine points and six rebounds against White in the semifinals.

College Honors

- Named the 2006-07 Big 12 Conference Preseason Freshman of the Year.

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, started 25 of 32 games played and averaged 7.9 ppg., 2.9 rpg. 1.6 apg. and 1.3 spg. to help Texas to a 18-14 record and the Big 12 Championship quarterfinals.
- Tied for or led her team in scoring three times (19 vs. Texas A&M, 15 vs. Tennessee and 10 vs. Texas Tech) and once in rebounding (6 vs. Southern University).

High School Honors

- Named a *Parade Magazine* All-America first team member in 2006.
- Selected to the *USA Today* All-USA second team in 2006.
- Tabbed as a *Street & Smith's* All-America second team member in 2006.
- Highlighted as a WBCA and McDonald's High School All-American in 2006. In the McDonald's All-American Game she tallied eight points, five rebounds and three assists in 21 minutes.

- Named the 2006 Gatorade State Player of the Year.
- Honored as the *Dallas Morning News* and *Star-Telegraph* Player of the Year in 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- An all-state, all-region and all-area selection in 2004, 2005, and 2006
- A three-time district player of the year in 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- Named the district offensive player of the year in 2003.
- Honored as the area newcomer of the year in 2003.

High School Notes

- Played four varsity seasons at North Crowley High School (Texas).
- Recorded a career high of 45 points, 21 rebounds and 10 assists.
- As a senior in 2005-06, averaged 27.2 ppg and 5.2 apg.
- As a junior in 2004-05, averaged 28.0 ppg., 8.0 rpg., 6.6 apg. and 4.1 spg as North Crowley posted a 26-10 record.
- Averaged 24.5 ppg., 8.0 rpg., 3.2 apg. and 2.9 spg for a 28-5 squad as a sophomore in 2003-04.
- Led North Crowley to a 20-4 record after averaging 17.6 ppg., 6.8 rpg., 2.6 apg. and 3.5 spg as a freshman in 2002-03.

Personal Notes

- Born in Albuquerque, New Mexico, she now resides in Fort Worth, Texas.
- Daughter of Thaddeus and Rona Raven, has one sister, Tiffany, 14.
- Mother played basketball at New Mexico State University.
- Also participated in track and was the district 400-meter champion in 2003 and 2005.
- Would like to play professional basketball, coach basketball and have a family.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* my bedroom.
- *Favorite takeout food:* tacos.
- *If I could be a standout athlete in any sport it would be:* volleyball.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Olympian Diana Taurasi.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006 U18	3/ 1	5- 14	.357	0- 2	.000	0- 0	---	8/ 2.7	10/ 3.3	3	0	3
2005 DF-R	5/ 2	23- 57	.404	2- 11	.182	7- 11	.636	17/ 3.4	55/ 11.0	13	2	15
Totals	8/ 3	28- 71	.394	2- 13	.154	7- 11	.636	25/ 3.1	65/ 8.1	16	2	18

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	32/25	96-271	.354	16-49	.327	44-64	.688	92/ 2.9	252/ 7.9	51	16	41

DANIELLE ROBINSON

USA Basketball Notes

- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.

College Notes

- Has signed a National Letter of Intent to attend and play for the University of Oklahoma in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Honored as a 2007 *Parade Magazine* All-America fourth team member.
- Received 2007 WBCA All-America honorable mention.
- Highlighted as an EA Sports All-America second team selection in 2007 and 2006.
- Selected as the West Catholic Athletic League MVP in 2006 and 2007.
- Named the *San Jose Mercury News* and the High School Sports Focus Player of the Year in 2006.
- Honored as the Northern California Coaches Division II Player of the Year in 2006.
- Tabbed the Cal-Hi Sports Player of the Year in 2007, named to the all-state first team in 2006, the second team in 2005 and the freshman all-state team in 2004.

High School Notes

- Tallied 1,893 points, 812 rebounds, 772 assists (ranks first in school history), 595 steals (ranks second in school history) and 1985 blocked shots in four varsity seasons at Archbishop Mitty High School (Calif.).
- As a senior in 2006-07 averaged 8.0 rpg., 6.7 apg., 6.0 spg. and 3.0 bpg. to help her squad to 31-4 record and the CIF Division II state title.
- As a junior in 2005-06, averaged 19.0 ppg., 8.0 rpg., 6.0 apg., 5.0 spg and 1.0 bpg. while leading Archbishop Mitty to 29-2 and an appearance in the NorCal finals.
- Led her team to 27-5 as a sophomore in 2004-05 and averaged 16.0 ppg., 5.0 rpg., 5.0 apg., 4.0 spg and 1.0 bpg.
- Averaged 12.0 ppg., 4.0 rpg., 5.0 apg., 4.0 spg and 1.0 bpg. as a freshman in 2003-04 for a 28-3 Archbishop Mitty squad.
- Played AAU for the San Jose Caters and East Bay Xplosion.

Personal Notes

- Born in her current hometown of San Jose, California.
- Daughter of Albert Robinson and Denise Carr-Robinson, has one brother, Jonathan.
- Her mother played basketball at Hampton University (Va.), and her brother currently plays at Hampton.
- Competed in track and field as a freshman and sophomore and won the West Catholic Athletic League long jump title in 2003-04.
- Was a National Honor Society member.
- Would like to pursue a career as a coach or sports broadcaster.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* track and field.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Ivory Latta.
- *Favorite team:* the mid-90s Chicago Bulls.
- *Best player I have faced:* fellow trials participant Maya Moore.
- *Away from the court:* I like to hang out with my friends, go shopping and watch movies.
- *The most interesting place I have visited is:* South Africa.
- *My first basketball memory is of:* going to two-time Olympian Michael Jordan's basketball camp with her best friends.
- *I am superstitious about:* having to dribble three times at the free throw line.
- *I can't live without:* my family, friends and a basketball.
- *Favorite food:* cheeseburgers.



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5-8 • 120 lbs.

Guard

May 10, 1989

Archbishop Mitty H.S.
'07

San Jose, Calif.

KHADIJAH RUSHDAN



46

5-9 • 165 lbs.

Guard

Dec. 5, 1988

St. Elizabeth H.S. '07

Wilmington, Del.

USA Basketball Notes

- Gold Medal:** 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship.
- Member of the 2006 USA U18 National Team that went 4-0 and won the gold medal at the 2006 FIBA Americas U18 Championship, which qualified the United States for the 2007 FIBA U19 World Championship.
 - Started one game and led the USA in assists, averaging 6.0 apg., while adding a team third-best 11.0 ppg. and second-best 3.0 spg. in 19 minutes a game.
 - Scored in double digits three times, including 14 points each against Paraguay in the opener and Argentina in the semifinals, while also posting 12 points and six assists versus Canada in the gold medal game; passed off nine assists against Brazil.

College Notes

- Signed a national letter of intent to attend and play for Rutgers University in 2007-08.

Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American.
- Honored as a 2007 Gatorade State Player of the Year.
- A *Parade Magazine* All-America first team selection in 2007 and a fourth team selection in 2006.
- Named a 2007 *USA Today* All-USA third team member and a EA Sports first team selection.
- Honored as *Catholic Today's* co-Player of the Year in 2006.
- Selected to the all-state first team in 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007.
- Named all-catholic first team in 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007.
- Selected as a Coaches Top 10 in the state in 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

High School Notes

- Tallied 2,414 points, 1,337 rebounds, 706 assists, and 242 blocked shots in five varsity seasons at St. Elizabeth High School (Del.).
- Recorded a career highs of 42 points and 23 rebounds.
- Became the first player in Delaware history to be selected to the all-state first team as an eighth grader.
- Started in all 27 games played and averaged 21.4 ppg., 11.1 rpg., 6.1 apg., 5.7 spg. and 2.0 bpg. as a senior in 2006-07 to help her squad to a 24-3 record and a state title.
- As a junior in 2005-06, averaged 22.3 ppg., 12.2 rpg., 6.7 apg., 5.4 spg and 2.3 bpg. for a 24-2 St. Elizabeth squad that finished second in the state.
- Averaged 21.8 ppg., 11.5 rpg., 5.9 apg., 5.8 spg and 1.7 bpg. to lead a 21-5 St. Elizabeth squad to a second-in-state finish as a sophomore in 2004-05.
- Averaged 21.8 ppg., 11.5 rpg., 5.7 apg., 5.8 spg and 1.7 bpg. as a freshman in 2003-04.
- As an eighth grader in 2002-03, averaged 21.0 ppg., 10 rpg., 7.0 apg., 5.0 spg and 1.0 bpg.
- Played AAU for DBL Phoenix.

Personal Notes

- Born in her current hometown of Wilmington, Delaware.
- Daughter of Daria and Wall Rushdan, has one brother Wali, 25, and one sister, Adib, 23.
- Aspires to be a coach, announcer or agent.
- Favorite sport aside from basketball:* football.
- Favorite basketball player:* two-time Olympian Michael Jordan.
- Favorite team:* the Chicago Bulls.
- Best player I have faced:* fellow trials participant Maya Moore.
- I want to play one-on-one against:* Allen Iverson or Candace Parker.
- Favorite announcer:* Dick Vitale.
- Most people don't know:* I am very shy.
- Favorite food:* Chinese and seafood.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006 U18	4/1	16-28	.571	4-9	.444	8-3	.615	13/3.3	44/11.0	24	2	12

SYDNEY SMALLBONE

USA Basketball Notes

- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.

College Notes

- Has signed a National Letter of Intent to attend and play for the University of Tennessee in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Tabbed as an Associated Press All-State first team member in 2007 and honorable mention in 2005 and 2006.
- Selected to the Indiana Coaches of Girls Sports Association All-State first team in 2006 and 2007, all-state honorable mention in 2005 and all-conference second team in 2004.
- Honored as a *South Bend Tribune* All-Metro selection in 2005, 2006 and 2007.
- A Northern Indiana Conference first team selection in 2006 and 2007 and second team in 2005.
- Named to the *Courier-Journal* All-State second team in 2006.

High School Notes

- Tallied school records of 1,711 points and 246 made 3-pointers in four varsity seasons at St. Joseph's (Ind.).
- Recorded a career high of 35 points.
- As a senior in 2006-07, averaged 24.0 ppg., 4.5 rpg., 5.0 apg. and 3.0 spg. to help her squad to a 23-3 record and the state tournament semifinals.
- As a junior in 2005-06, averaged 18.9 ppg., 3.4 rpg., 3.4 apg. and 1.6 spg while leading a 22-3 St. Joseph's squad to the state semifinals.
- Led her team to a state championship and averaged 13.0 ppg., 4.2 rpg. and 2.2 apg. as a sophomore in 2004-05.
- Appeared in the 2003-04 state semifinals as a freshman and averaged 13.0 ppg., 3.5 rpg. and 2.5 apg.
- Played AAU for the Indian Elite for eight years.

Personal Notes

- Born April 1, 1989, in Berrien Springs, Michigan, she now resides in Granger, Indiana.
- Daughter of Brian and Maria Smallbone, has one brother, Matt, 13, and one sister, Shelby, 16.
- Hails from an athletic family. Her father and two uncles, Marty and Steven Smallbone, played football at Central Michigan University, and her father also played basketball during his senior year. Her uncle, Jeffrey Nate, played professional baseball for the Phillies, Mets and A's and played two years of football at the University of Michigan; and her cousin, Jenna Stuppy, plays softball at Western Michigan University.
- Was an honor student at St. Joseph's.
- Received the St. Joseph's High School Athletic Physical Education Award in 2005.
- Would like to continue her education and possibly become a college coach.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* softball and golf.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Olympian Scottie Pippen.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Lisa Fernandez.
- *Favorite team:* the Tennessee Lady Vols.
- *Best player I have faced:* Candace Parker.
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* Olympian Diana Taurasi.
- *Most people don't know:* I am very shy.
- *The most interesting place I have visited is:* the San Antonio River Walk.
- *My first basketball memory is of:* playing in my first AAU tournament.
- *I can't live without:* God.
- *If stranded on an island, I would want:* a Bible, food and a basketball.
- *Favorite food:* Italian.



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5-10 • 155 lbs.

Guard

April 1, 1989

St. Joseph's H.S. '07

Granger, Ind.

MARAH STRICKLAND

College Notes

- Has signed a National Letter of Intent to play for and attend the University of Maryland in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American.
- Tabbed as a 2007 Gatorade State Player of the Year.
- Named to the 2007 *Parade Magazine* All-America second team and the *USA Today* All-USA third team.
- Honored as a 2007 EA Sports first team member.

High School Notes

- Tallied 2,075 points in two varsity seasons at Towson Catholic H.S., and two varsity seasons at St. John's Prospect H.S. (Md.).
- Averaged 22.0 ppg., 8.0 rpg. and 4.0 apg. as a senior in 2006-07 at Towson Catholic.
- As a junior at Towson Catholic in 2005-06, averaged 22.0 ppg., 8.0 rpg. and 4.0 apg.
- Averaged 22.0 ppg. as a sophomore at St. John's in 2004-05.
- As a freshman at St. John's in 2003-04, averaged 23.0 ppg., 10.0 rpg. and 4.0 apg.

Personal Notes

- Born to Joanna and Marshall Strickland in St. Charles, Missouri, she now resides in Mt. Airy, Maryland.
- Has one brother Marshall, III, 24, who played basketball at Indiana University and now plays professionally in Turkey; and one sister, Marche', 27, who also played college basketball.
- Also played volleyball at Towson and was a member of the National Honor Society.
- She aspires to play in the WNBA.
- *I play the:* the flute and piano.
- *Favorite basketball players:* Kobe Bryant, Ray Allen and Cappie Pondexter.
- *Favorite team:* the Phoenix Suns.
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympian:* Marion Jones.
- *Strangest place I've ever played basketball:* Walmart.
- *Best player I have faced:* Nikki Teasley
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* Alana Beard.
- *The most impressive person I have met is:* Ben Carson, an amazing surgeon.
- *Away from the court:* I like to read, watch TV and paint.
- *I can't live without:* my family and good food.
- *Favorite food:* chicken fried rice.



82

5-11 • 161 lbs.

Guard

Jan. 7, 1988

Towson Catholic H.S.
'07

Mt. Airy, Md.

JASMINE THOMAS

USA Basketball Notes

- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.

College Notes

- Has signed a National Letter of Intent to play for and attend Duke University in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American.
- Tabbed as a 2007 Gatorade State Player of the Year.
- Honored as a 2007 *USA Today* and EA Sports All-America first team selection.
- Named to *Parade Magazine* All-America first team in 2007 and the third team in 2006.
- A *Street & Smith's* All-America fifth team member in 2006.
- Selected to the *Washington Post* All-Metro first team in 2005 and 2006.
- Tabbed all-state first team in 2006 and state player of the year in 2005.
- A four time, 2004-07, all-state, all-region and all-district first team member and district and regional player of the year.

High School Notes

- Tallied 2,598 points, 910 rebounds, 504 assists, 519 steals and 181 blocks in four varsity seasons at Oakton High School (Va.).
- Ranks second in the state of Virginia for career points, third for assists and steals and sixth for single season points (781).
- Set school records for career points, rebounds, assists and steals; single season points; and single game points (36), rebounds (17), assists (12) and steals (11).
- Averaged 26.2 ppg., 8.2 rpg., 4.8 apg., 5.1 spg. and 1.5 bpg. as a senior in 2006-07 to help her squad to a 27-3 record and the state semifinals.
- As a junior in 2005-06, averaged 24.6 ppg., 8.2 rpg., 5.1 apg., 5.2 spg and 1.2 bpg. while leading to her team to a 25-1 record.
- Started in all 30 games played as a sophomore in 2004-05, helped her squad to a 26-4 slate and averaged 21.6 ppg., 8.1 rpg., 4.0 apg., 4.0 spg and 1.6 bpg.
- As a freshman in 2003-04, averaged 20.2 ppg., 8.0 rpg., 4.0 apg., 4.9 spg and 2.0 bpg. and started in all 26 games played to help Oakton to a 23-3 mark.

Personal Notes

- Born in her hometown of Fairfax, Virginia.
- Daughter of Johnnie and Sharon and Johnnie Thomas, has one brother, Darrell, 23.
- Maintains a 3.65 GPA while taking honors and advanced-placement classes.
- Aspires to work as a pediatrician, broadcaster or work in fashion.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* lacrosse.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Olympian Cynthia Cooper-Dyke.
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* Ivory Latta.
- *Favorite announcer:* Dick Vitale.
- *Away from the court:* I like to shop, surf the Internet and hang out with family and friends.
- *Most people don't know:* I love to dance.
- *The most interesting place I have visited is:* Nike headquarters in Oregon, which is "so fun."
- *I can't live without:* my family.
- *If stranded on an island, I would want:*
- *Favorite food:* baked macaroni and cheese.



47

5-9 • 135 lbs.

Guard

Sept. 30, 1989

Oakton H.S. '07

Fairfax, Va.

KRYSTAL THOMAS

College Notes

- Has signed a National Letter of Intent to play for and attend Duke University in 2007-08.

High School Honors

- Selected as a 2007 McDonald's and WBCA All-American.
- Tabbed as a 2007 Gatorade State Player of the Year and Miss Florida Basketball.
- Honored as a 2007 *Parade Magazine* and EA Sports All-America first team selection and a *USA Today* All-USA second team member.
- Named the 2007 Florida class 2A Player of the Year.
- In 2006, named to the *USA Today* Junior All-USA team and the *Orlando Sentinel* All-South team.
- Selected as a 2006 Student Sports All-American.
- Tabbed as a 2006 Street & Smith's All-America third team member and honorable mention in 2005.

High School Notes

- Tallied 1,750 points 1,515 rebounds, 100 assists, 120 steals and 255 blocked shots in four varsity seasons at The First Academy (Fla.).
- Recorded career highs of 38 points, 25 rebounds and eight blocks.
- As a senior in 2006-07, averaged 20.0 ppg., 12.0 rpg., 1.0 apg., 1.2 spg. and 2.2 bpg. to help her squad to 29-3 and a state title.
- Named the state tourney MVP in 2007.
- Averaged 16.2 ppg., 16.8 rpg., 1.4 apg and 2.6 bpg. as a junior in 2..5-06 to help her squad to a 30.2 record and a state title.
- As a sophomore in 2004-05, helped her team to 28-1 and averaged 14.5 ppg., 7.1 rpg. and 2.0 bpg.
- In 2003-04 as freshman, averaged 13.3 ppg. and 11.7 rpg to help her squad to a 14-11 record.
- Played AAU for the Orlando Comets in 2004-07. Helped Comets to AAU National Championship in 2006, Final Four in 2005 and Nike Nationals Final Four in 2005.

Personal Notes

- Born in her hometown of Orlando, Florida, to Natalie and Victor Thomas.
- Has three brothers Victor Thomas, Ben Deluzio and Joe Deluzio and four sisters, Loren Thomas, Erika Thomas, Kelli Thomas and Alexa Deluzio.
- Aspires to be a doctor.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* football and volleyball.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Dwight Howard.
- *Favorite team:* the Duke Blue Devils
- *Favorite non-basketball Olympians:* Michael Johnson and Michael Phelps.
- *Strangest place I've ever played basketball:* in a barn.
- *I want to play one-on-one against:* two-time Olympian Michael Jordan or Gilbert Arenas.
- *The most impressive person I have met is:* John Wooden because of his many accomplishments.
- *Favorite announcer:* Dick Vitale.
- *Away from the court:* I like to spend time with my family and friends, listen to music and go to the lake or beach.
- *Favorite food:* macaroni and cheese.



69

6-5 • 187 lbs.

Forward

June 10, 1989

The First Academy
'07

Orlando, Fla.

NATASHA VITAL



33

5-8 • 130 lbs.

Guard

June 9, 1988

University of California '10

Stockton, Calif.

College Honors

- Named to the 2007 Pacific-10 Conference All-Freshman team.

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, started 23 of 32 games played and averaged 7.2 ppg., 2.7 rpg., a team leading 4.0 apg. and 1.0 spg. to help California to a 23-8 record, the Pac-10 Tournament title and the NCAA Tournament first round.

High School Honors

- 2006 *Street & Smith's* All-America honorable mention.
- Named 2006 league MVP.
- Selected first-team all-area and All-San Joaquin Athletic Association in 2006.

High School Notes

- Averaged 15.3 ppg. playing in the 2006 San Francisco Pro Am summer league
- As a senior at Lincoln High School (Calif.), averaged 21 ppg., 6.0 apg., 5.0 rpg. and 2.0 spg. to help her team to the second round of the playoffs and a 19-7 overall record.
- Scored 20 or more points in nine games
- Averaged 14.1 ppg., 5.3 apg. and 3.8 rpg. as a junior to help her squad to the third round of the playoffs in 2005.
- Reached the first round of the playoffs in 2003 and 2004.
- Won third place at nationals with her AAU basketball team, the East Bay Xplosion.

Personal Notes

- Born Natasha Annette Vital in Oakland, California,
- Has four siblings, Roy, Jamilia, Brandy and Jeremiah.
- Her brother, Roy, played football at Southern.
- As a member of the track and field team, participated in the high jump, 100m and various relays.
- Also was a member of her school's tennis team.
- Four-year member of the honor roll.
- Undeclared major but interested in psychology.
- *Last book read for pleasure:* "The Last Shot" by Michael Jordan.
- *Room that best defines me:* the library because I am quiet but have a lot to say.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* my room because I like my space.
- *Favorite takeout food:* La Burrita's carne asada.
- *Favorite meal to make at home:* scrambled eggs, lightly toasted bread and fried bologna.
- *If I could be a standout athlete in any sport it would be:* tennis.
- *I drive:* a 2000 Toyota Celica.
- *If I could trade in my car for anything it would be:* \$1,000,000.
- *The one thing I can't ever part with:* Sidekick, because it connects me to the world.
- *When I was five I wanted to be:* a police officer.
- *On my bedside table is:* my basketball.
- *If I could live in any city in the world it would be:* L.A., I love palm trees.
- *My next big purchase will be:* a laptop--I need one for school.
- *Favorite magazine:* Slam, because it covers all types of basketball.
- *Always in my fridge:* water.
- *Always on my fridge:* pictures.
- *One piece of clothing I can't live without:* hats, I'm always wearing one.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* football.
- *I can play:* the drums.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Olympian Dwyane Wade. He is an underdog that made it--reminds me of me.
- *I want to go one-on-one against:* Ivory Latta, because I love her game.
- *Most people don't know:* I write poetry and music.
- *I can't live without:* pen and paper.
- *Favorite food:* anything Cajun.
- *My first overseas trip:* Never been overseas.

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	32/23	77-192	.401	16-63	.254	61-82	.744	85/ 2.7	231/ 7.2	128	3	33

DANIELLE WILSON



62

6-3 • 175 lbs.

Forward

May 17, 1988

Baylor University '10

Bay Shore, N.Y.

USA Basketball Notes

Silver Medal: 2005 USA Youth Development Festival.

- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.
- Member of the 2005 USA Youth Development Festival White Team that went 2-3 and earned the silver medal.
- Ranked tied for sixth among all 2005 Festival participants for blocked shots (1.0 bpg.).
- Scored her high of eight points against Blue in the gold medal game and grabbed six rebounds to go with six points against Red in the opener.

College Honors

- Named to the 2007 Big 12 Conference All-Rookie team.
- Twice recognized as the Big 12 Rookie of the Week. For the week of Jan. 2, averaged 9.0 ppg., 7.5 rpg. and 2.5 bpg. in two victories; and for the week of Nov. 13, averaged 13.0 ppg., 8.5 rpg. and 4.5 bpg. in two Preseason WNIT wins.

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, started two of 34 games played and averaged 8.4 ppg., 4.9 rpg. and 2.5 bpg. to help Baylor to a 26-8 record, the Big 12 Tournament semifinal and the NCAA second round.
- Blocked a season high six shots vs. BYU and in 19 games tied for or led Baylor in blocked shots.
- Tied for or lead her team in rebounding four times (21 vs. North Carolina A&T, 10 vs. Texas Tech, seven vs. Nebraska and seven vs. Oklahoma) and twice led her team in scoring (22 vs. Sam Houston and 24 vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff).

High School Honors

- Selected to the *Parade Magazine* All-America fourth team in 2006.
- Tabbed as a McDonald's High School All-American in 2006. In the McDonald's All-American Game she tallied two points, two rebounds and one assist in 15 minutes.
- Honored as a *Street & Smith's* All-America fourth team member in 2006 and honorable mention in 2004 and 2005.
- Highlighted as the Catholic High School Co-Player of the Year in 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- Named the Suffolk and Long Island Player of the Year in 2006.
- Selected to the *Newsday* All-Long Island first team in 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- Named to the Madison Square Garden Network Tri-State first team in 2005 and 2006.
- A four-time all-league selection.

High School Notes

- Tallied 2,058 points and more than 1,000 rebounds in three seasons St. John the Baptist High School (N.Y.).

- Recorded career highs of 43 points and 24 rebounds (vs. St. Dominic) and 13 blocks (vs. Our Lady of Mercy) in 2005-06.
- Holds the career points record at St. John the Baptist for boys and girls.
- As a senior in 2005-06, averaged 29.1 ppg., 20.2 rpg., 3.4 apg., 3.7 spg and 5.5 bpg. while leading St. John the Baptist to a state fourth place finish and a 22-4 record.
- Averaged 21.1 ppg., 14.4 rpg., 3.1 apg., 3.2 spg and 3.5 bpg. as a junior in 2004-05 when St. John the Baptist posted a 22-5 record and a state fifth place finish.
- Led her school to 22-3 and averaged 19.1 ppg., 14.1 rpg., 2.9 apg., 3.1 spg and 3.5 bpg. as a sophomore in 2003-04.
- Was her team's MVP as a freshman in 2002-03.

Personal Notes

- Born in her hometown of Bay Shore, New York.
- Daughter of Linda and Johnny Wilson; has one brother, Jamaal.
- An honor student in the 11th and 12th grades.
- Also played volleyball and competed in track and field at St. John the Baptist.
- A three-time (2003-2005) all-league selection in volleyball.
- Participated in the high jump, 1600-meter relay and the triple jump as a freshman.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* My bedroom, my computer and phone are in there.
- *Favorite takeout food:* Chinese, chicken with broccoli and fried rice.
- *If I could be a standout athlete in any sport it would be:* volleyball.
- *When I was five I wanted to be:* a lawyer.
- *On my bedside table is:* cell phone.
- *If I could live in any city in the world it would be:* Paris.
- *My next big purchase will be:* a car.
- *Favorite magazine:* any basketball or fashion magazine.
- *Always in my fridge:* Gatorade and Caprisuns.
- *Always on my fridge:* pictures of my nephew.
- *Favorite sport aside from basketball:* volleyball and tennis.
- *I can play:* piano and viola.
- *Favorite basketball player:* Olympians Lisa Leslie and Shaquille O'Neal.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2005 DF-Wh	5/4	10- 36	.278	0- 0	---	8- 17	.471	20/ 4.0	28/ 5.6	3	5	2

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	34/2	109-210	.519	0-0	---	68-119	.571	167/ 4.9	286/ 8.4	17	86	18

MONICA WRIGHT



75

5-11 • 165 lbs.

Forward

July 15, 1988

University of Virginia
'10

Woodbridge, Va.

USA Basketball Notes

Silver Medal: 2005 USA Youth Development Festival.

- 2006 USA Basketball U18 National Team Trials participant.
- Member of the 2005 USA Youth Development Festival White Team that went 2-3 and earned the silver medal.
- Established a then-Festival record for most steals (23) and tied the all-time Festival single-game record for steals (eight vs. Red in preliminary play).
- Ranked tied for 11th among all 2005 Festival participants for scoring (8.8 ppg.), ranked first for steals (4.6 spg.), tied for ninth for field goal percentage (.365), tied for 10th for assists (1.8 apg.) and tied for 13th for defensive rebounds per game (3.2).
- Scored in double digits twice, including 13 points and six rebounds against Canada and 11 points and five rebounds against Blue in preliminary play; twice passed off for three assists.

College Honors

- Named the 2007 Atlantic Coast Conference Rookie of the Year.
- Unanimous selection to the 2007 ACC All-Freshman team.
- Honored as the 2007 Virginia Sports Information Directors Rookie of the Year and named to the VaSID All-State second team.
- Became the most decorated freshman in school history with eight ACC Rookie of the Week selections in 2006-07 (Nov. 20, Dec. 4, Dec. 11, Jan. 2, Jan. 15, Feb. 5, Feb. 12 and Feb. 26).

College Notes

- As a freshman in 2006-07, started in all 34 games played and averaged team second bests of 15.1 ppg. and 2.2 apg., a team leading 2.3 spg. and a team third best 6.0 rpg. to help Virginia to a 19-15 record, the ACC Tournament quarterfinals and the WNIT quarterfinals.
- Shot a team leading 76.3 percent from the free throw line.
- Recorded four double-doubles in 2006-07.
- Led her team in scoring on 11 occasions, including her season high 26 points vs. Temple, and six times tied for or lead all Virginia rebounders.

High School Honors

- Named to the *USA Today* All-USA first team in 2006.
- Selected to the *Parade Magazine* All-America second team in 2006.
- Named a WBCA All-American in 2006.
- Named the 2006 Gatorade State Player of the Year.
- Tabbed a McDonald's High School All-American in 2006. In the McDonald's All-American Game she tallied 13 points, three rebounds and eight steals in 21 minutes.
- Honored as a *Street & Smith's* All-America fourth team member in 2006 and an honorable mention in 2005.

- The 2006 Associated Press Class 3A and Virginia High School Coaches Association (VHSCA) State Player of the Year.
- Named to the Associated Press Class 3A and VHSCA All-State first team in 2004, 2005 and 2006.
- Honored as the district, region, county and area Player of the Year in 2004 and 2005.
- A *Washington Post* All-Metro first team selection in 2004, 2005, and 2006, and honorable mention in 2003.
- Named to the all-state second team and all-area, all-county and all-region teams in 2003.

High School Notes

- Tallied 1,913 points in four seasons at Forest Park High School (Va.).
- Recorded a career-high 40 points (vs. Freedom) in 2005-06.
- As a senior in 2005-06, averaged 22.6 ppg., 12.5 rpg., 3.3 apg. and 3.4 spg. while leading a 25-5 Forest Park squad to a state title.
- As a junior in 2004-05, averaged 19.1 ppg., 8.7 rpg., 3.4 apg. and 3.1 spg. as Forest Park posted a 26-4 record and a state runner-up finish.
- Helped her school to a state title and a 26-4 record and averaged 17.1 ppg., 7.5 rpg., 3.5 apg. and 3.5 spg as a sophomore in 2003-04.
- Averaged 12.5 ppg., 7.4 rpg., 1.0 apg. and 2.0 spg. as a freshman in 2002-03.

Personal Notes

- Born in San Antonio, Texas, she now resides in Woodbridge, Virginia.
- Daughter of Harry and Lynette Wright; has one brother, Gerald.
- Both her mother and father are retired from the U.S. Air Force.
- Her father played football at Lamar University (Texas), and her brother ran cross-country at Texas A&M University.
- Also ran track and was the 400-meter regional champion, the long jump and 200-meter district champion and sixth-place finisher in the state Class 3A 400-meter championship.
- Would like to pursue a career in sports, maybe as a coach.
- *Room in which I spend most of my time:* kitchen.
- *Favorite takeout food:* Chinese, beef with broccoli.
- *If I could be a standout athlete in any sport it would be:* soccer.
- *When I was five I wanted to be:* a lawyer.
- *On my bedside table is:* a picture of my teammates and an alarm clock.

USA Basketball Statistics

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2005 DF-Wh	5/2	19- 52	.365	0- 1	.000	6- 13	.462	20/ 4.0	44/ 8.8	9	0	23

College Statistics

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2007	34/34	193-469	.412	23-96	.240	103-135	.763	205/ 6.0	512/ 15.1	76	15	79