

# East Kentwood seniors have been on three O-K Red boys basketball title teams

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## EAST KENTWOOD FALCONS

**COACH:** Jeff Anama (21st year).

**2012-13 RECORD:** 19-3 overall, 8-2 as O-K Red champs.

**KEY PLAYERS:** In the dog-eat-dog world of O-K Red basketball, the Falcons will do everything they can to make sure the hunting birds remain on top. They mix an experienced squad with incoming sophomores who have yet to lose in high school. A pair of senior wings will help the Falcons fly. **Jeff Drake-Todd** (6-0) is a returning O-K Red standout and **Brent Kimbrel** (6-0) is a three-year starter. Senior Ben Hester is a much-improved forward starter, and junior point guard **Anthony Boone** is back running the show after starting all 22 games as a sophomore. A trio of incoming sophomores has been brought up to add depth to the squad. **Brandon Fuller** is a 5-11 point guard, **Marlon Dorsey** stands 6-0 playing out on the wing, and he is accompanied out there by **Micah Rosser** (6-2).

**OUTLOOK:** "It is a group of winners," said Anama. "We have three sophomores on the varsity this year who were 20-0 as freshman last year. We also have six juniors who are 40-0 in two years, and we are led by our seniors, who have been a part of three O-K Red championship teams. They have a great basketball IQ and find ways to be successful by playing well together and playing great team defense."

## ROCKFORD RAMS

**COACH:** Nick Allen (third year).

**2012-13 RECORD:** 14-7 overall; 7-3 in O-K Red.

**KEY PLAYERS:** The Rams are on a rampage this season with the hope of getting themselves back on top in the O-K Red. The squad is geared up and ready to go, with seven returning seniors from last season's second-place conference finish, and it expects consistent effort from those leaders. Already established as a big presence under the basket, **Chris Sunday** is a 6-6 senior who makes it tough for opponents to shoot around. A trio of 5-11 seniors, **Casey Watters**, **Austin McKeller**, and **Brad Fischer**, bring back their skills and ability to move the ball. Another senior back for more is 6-1 **Nate Woznick**. Rounding out the experienced lineup, **Josh Olson** (6-3) and **Jimmy Scale** (6-4) aid in the Rams' success with the ultra-competitive O-K Red schedule. The maturity and court sense of these seven, along with additional contributions off the bench, will dictate how far the Rams go.

**OUTLOOK:** "They play hard and well together," said Allen. "We plan on having consistent effort from our team, and while every game will require the same effort, every game will be different. We hope and expect to have guys step up and fill a necessary need that may be a bit different from the previous game, because of the understanding of what we need at that time, and what will help us be successful."

## HUDSONVILLE EAGLES

**COACH:** Eric Elliott (fifth year).

**2012-13 RECORD:** 17-8 overall, 7-3 in O-K Red.

**KEY PLAYERS:** With half their spots on the roster secure, the Eagles are developing a versatile charge to go after the conference crown. They will change it up based on need with some zone, some press, some big play, and some small. Running the show for a fourth season, point guard **Logan Magsig** (5-11) acts as the team's coach on the floor, with good experience and leadership. Magsig will bring the ball up the court with senior two-guard **Mark Dieterle** (5-11), who is quick and runs the floor well. He was in a rotation for playing time, but this year will have to step into a leadership position. Sophomores **Brent Hibbits** (6-7) and **Mason Opple** (6-3) will hang out in the wings once again. Hibbits was all-conference as a freshman and brings good size and a keen understanding of the game. Opple never stops competing, so he can battle bigger opponents on both ends of the court.

**OUTLOOK:** "This group has lots of energy," said Elliott. "The guys are playing hard and we have some spots to fill, so the level of competition has been nice. The thing that I am most excited about is the two sophomores returning and a four-year point guard returning. Those three pieces are nice pieces to work around. Our strength is our depth. We have 10 or 11 guys who are capable of contributing."

## GRAND HAVEN BUCCANEERS

**COACH:** Steve Hewitt (ninth year)

**2012-13 RECORD:** 12-11 overall, 5-5 in O-K Red.

**KEY PLAYERS:** The key to the Buccaneers' season will be utilizing their depth. Mainly a defender in his junior season, **Isaak Newhouse** is a 6-1 guard who is expected to up his game in his senior stint. Newhouse sees the floor well and is a good passer. Senior swingman **Connor Grimes** (6-3) can shoot the three and is a strong free-

throw shooter. He has improved a lot in the off-season and will be asked to step his offense up a notch this season. Senior **Korey Searle** (6-2) did not play as a junior, but now aids the team as a slasher at wing. Junior **Noah Lein** handles the ball well and at 6-4 can shoot over people because of his large wingspan. Junior center **Adam Abraham** (6-5) is a good athlete who shoots well and runs the floor for a big guy. Freshman **Ross Koella** (6-5) has a nice basketball look to him and will use that as a defender. He will add a rebounding presence, but also be used to put the ball in the basket.

**OUTLOOK:** "We have good depth," said Hewitt. "I think we have a lot of kids who could contribute. We are taller than we usually are, so we have decent length. We are young and pretty inexperienced, and we need to find a clear-cut point guard. We need a strong vocal leader to emerge before the season really gets going."

## **WEST OTTAWA PANTHERS**

**COACH:** Steve Windemuller (first year).

**2012-13 RECORD:** 7-14 overall, 3-7 in O-K Red.

**KEY PLAYERS:** With a new coach and a bunch of youngsters taking the court, the Panthers are on the prowl for the 2014 campaign. Senior wing **Jared McNitt** (6-2) and junior wing **Caleb McNitt** (6-4) are brothers who bring a competitive nature to the court. Jared quarterbacked the football team and will do the same again on the basketball court. He is a tough kid with a lot of leadership to offer. Younger brother Caleb joins the squad and is cut out of the same mold, with a strong sense of competitiveness. Senior **PJ Trammell** (5-9) has played a lot of basketball as a three-year starter and the most experienced player on the team. Returning to the point guard spot, Trammell knows how to play the game, and has strength and quick feet. Seniors **Ben Smith** (6-3) and **Stanley Brown** (6-5) will spend time at guard and forward, respectively. Junior **Darius Moragne** has the height for under-the-basket work. The 6-5 center will be a wall down low in the post.

**OUTLOOK:** "We are tremendously young," said Windemuller. "The guys are working hard; it's a new system, new coach. We are taking it slow and working hard to improve their skills. The work ethic is there, and practice has been really good and competitive."

## **GRANDVILLE BULLDOGS**

**COACH:** Sam Cornett (second year).

**2012-13 RECORD:** 2-19 overall, 0-10 in O-K Red.

**KEY PLAYERS:** Looking to get out of the O-K Red basement, the Bulldogs will field a young squad chomping at the bit to start the season. Senior forward **Josh Ham** (6-2) is a tough defender and good rebounder who gives the team its inside game. Senior forward **Patrick Pearson** (6-2) is an aggressive defender who sets good screens, and senior guard **Todd Cornett** (5-10) can shoot the ball. At the point, junior **Alex Bischoff** (5-9) quarterbacked the team as a playmaker who settles the offense. **Noah Johnson** is a 6-4 guard who is an inside-outside threat. Juniors **Corey Palmer** (5-11) is a shooter, as is **Jonathon Shederer** (6-2) from the outside. A transfer from Lansing, **Jalen Marsh** is a 6-4 inside player. Junior **Leland Verburg** (6-1) is a tough rebounder and physical post. **Grant Hamil** (6-2) is a junior post who is a defensive and rebounding presence. Underclassmen **Ryan Koorndyk** (6-2) is an athletic sophomore who quarterbacked the football team, and freshman **Sam Cornett** (6-3) is a 3-point shooter.

**OUTLOOK:** "We're young, with only three returners, but I really like our unity," said Cornett. "This is a good group. Our strength will be our shooting. We just have to make sure we get those shooters open shots."

# Grand Rapids Slam Dunk: Introducing MLive's boys power poll rankings

1. East Kentwood – The three-time defending OK Red Conference champions offer a balanced blend of talented seniors and promising newcomers.
2. Jenison – The 2-0 Wildcats return one of the area's top players in Luke Deikevers.
3. South Christian – The Sailors opened with wins over Wyoming and Grand Rapids Christian last week.
4. Grand Rapids Christian – Returning standouts Deleon Brown, DaRohn Scott and Dwayne Barfield should have the Eagles in the hunt for the OK White title.
5. Union – Rashaud Orange and Curtis Davison give the Red Hawks a solid one-two punch.
6. Comstock Park – The Panthers graduated Ryan Schall, but they have plenty of returning talent from last year's 21-3 team that went 12-0 in the Blue.
7. Rockford – Seven returning starters are expected to keep the Rams in the OK Red championship race.
8. Holland Christian – Senior Kyle Steigenga, coming off another standout season on the football field, should shine on the basketball court, too.

9. Unity Christian – The defending OK Green champs have the size to compete for another title.

10. Hudsonville – Four-year starting point guard Logan Magsig is back after leading the Eagles to their third consecutive Class A district crown last winter.

### Advance Newspapers Boys Basketball Preseason Power Rankings

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- 1) **MUSKEGON** -- DeShaun Thrower quarterbacked football team to Division 2 state finals, now focuses his attention on directing hardwood team to O-K Black glory.
- 2) **EAST KENTWOOD** -- The seniors have already won three O-K Red titles, the juniors are 40-0 at the two lower levels, and the sophomores went 20-0 as freshmen.
- 3) **SOUTH CHRISTIAN** -- Nine athletic seniors return to the rotation, including versatile state-final QB Jon Wassink.
- 4) **JENISON** -- Enlists former collegiate shooting legend David Kool to coach a team stacked with nine experienced seniors.
- 5) **GRAND RAPIDS CHRISTIAN** -- Drake Harris is foregoing his senior season in basketball to concentrate on U-M football, but these Eagles still have a surplus of quickness on defense.
- 6) **ROCKFORD** -- Chris Sunday (6-6) leads a group of seven returning seniors focused on improving second-place standing in O-K Red.
- 7) **UNION** -- GVSU-bound Rashaud Orange is one of three impressive transfers from Creston bolstering the rotation.
- 8) **COMSTOCK PARK** -- Seeks to repeat 21-3 campaign with a group of players who advanced to state semifinals on the gridiron in November.
- 9) **HOLLAND CHRISTIAN** -- New coach Jason Mejeur inherits a seasoned squad capable of capturing the O-K Green flag.
- 10) **TRI-UNITY CHRISTIAN** -- Graduated seven seniors from state runner-up team, but 27th-year coach Mark Keeler typically just reloads.
- 11) **WAYLAND UNION** -- Returning point guard Dilon Aten and 6-7 center LJ James are flanked by four experienced forwards.
- 12) **HUDSONVILLE** -- Logan Magsig returns for his fourth season running the show from the point.
- 13) **NORTHPOINTE CHRISTIAN** -- Spring Arbor-bound Drew Zuidema connected on 84 3-pointers a year ago, while backcourt mate Preston Huckaby also earned all-conference honors.
- 14) **CALVIN CHRISTIAN** -- Current crop of seniors have posted a 56-4 record during their Squire careers at the lower levels.
- 15) **UNITY CHRISTIAN** -- Four the top six players graduated from O-K Green title team, but the 'Saders have plenty of size.
- 16) **MONA SHORES** -- Former Olivet College coach Gene Gifford has 11 seniors on the roster for his first season.
- 17) **NORTHVIEW** -- Returns nine players from a club that witnessed great improvement in the final weeks of 2013 season.
- 18) **OTTAWA HILLS** -- Skilled contingent could contend in O-K Gold if they share the ball and limit turnovers.
- 19) **CALEDONIA** -- With all-around athletes stationed at all five positions, Scots expect to improve on last year's 9-13 finish.
- 20) **ZEELAND WEST** -- Defending O-K Black champs lack size and experience, after heavy graduation losses.
- 21) **HOLLAND** -- Hopes to have a say in O-K Green, led by two-time all-conference point guard Dante Hawkins.
- 22) **CEDAR SPRINGS** -- Experienced group expects significant gains over 7-14 record from last winter.
- 23) **GRAND HAVEN** -- Possesses good size and depth, but may not have the experience needed to conquer competitive O-K Red.
- 24) **GODWIN HEIGHTS** -- Only two players return from 23-3 squad, but the speed and athleticism are still intact.
- 25) **WEST CATHOLIC** -- State-champion quarterback Travis Russell was the Falcons' leading scorer during his sophomore season.

## Bakita's Top 10 Rankings for Boys H.S. Basketball

- 1. Muskegon
- 2. East Kentwood
- 3. Grand Rapids Christian
- 4. Hudsonville
- 5. Jenison
- 6. South Christian

7. Comstock Park

8. Rockford

9. North Pointe Christian

10. Union

\*Hon. Mentions - Catholic Central and Unity Christian

Class A Preseason Rankings, All-State Bank Hoops

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### **1. Muskegon**

Runner-up at Ford Field the past two falls, the Big Reds are due to get right in basketball. Coach Keith Guy got them to the quarterfinals in his first season, a destination which was a given during his tenure across town at Muskegon Heights. The heart and soul of that team, point guard/quarterback Deshaun Thrower, returns, as does their 6-8 center, who is nothing like the one who suited up for Muskegon in March, top 100 national junior Deyonta Davis. They're just two of five returning starters. 6-3 junior Hip Hop Kennedy is an efficient scorer; senior Will Roberson is as quick end-to-end as anyone in Michigan other than Pershing's Darsean Woodson; and if Jordan Waire is as improved in basketball as he was football, he'll be big help down the stretch. Which all means, for only the fifth time in over 40 years, the Westside will be going home with a Class A state championship.

### **2. Saginaw Arthur Hill**

There's not a program in Michigan that turns out more national-caliber talent than what Greg McMath does at Arthur Hill. Don't believe it? Junior point guard Eric Davis is our preseason MVP and a consensus national top 50 recruit with offers from the likes of MSU, Illinois, Iowa State, NC State, Kansas, Memphis and Oklahoma State. And not even the highest ranked recruit on the team. That would be a freshman, 6-5 Tayshaun Prince clone Brian Bowen. Freshmen won't win it in Class A though. It takes an upperclassman guard to dominate at the Class A level, and now Davis has a chance to do what Keith Appling and Mateen Cleaves did in March of their junior years. He'll have help besides the freshman. Senior guard Martel Handley is ready for a breakout season, and junior Josh Jones intrigues at 6-8.

### **3. Ypsilanti**

Any number of times, we've thought this was the year Steve Brooks' team will break through to the Breslin. Almost, in 2013, losing to Saginaw in the quarterfinals. Now combined with Willow Run, this could be the year for Ypsi. Again. Jaylen Johnson's game took on another dimension in the tournament, a trajectory that continued through his earning a scholarship from Louisville. The talent is such that he might not even be the leading scorer, thanks to the three-point prowess of sophomore Corey Allen. Janeau Joubert is one of the state's top senior point guards.

### **4. Detroit Pershing**

Other than Romulus, with their four D1 recruits from which to choose, no other Class A team graduated players as talented as the Pershing pair of Kahlil Felder (Oakland) and Martez Walker (Texas). But the transfer of Mory Diane eases the pain, and with 6-7 VCU signee Justin Tillman gives the Doughboys two of the state's top 10 seniors and the firepower to be the favorite to repeat in the Detroit PSL. 6-2 junior Marquel Ingram is another transfer who will be looked upon to score. 6-8 senior Dwayne Embry would be the best big on most teams and a healthy Darsean Woodson gives them a quickness advantage at point guard.

### **5. Saginaw**

The Saginaw program has been run beautifully, with seamless head coaching handoffs from Marshall Thomas, to Lou Dawkins, to Julian Taylor. All Taylor did in year two was make the Class A semifinals ... after winning it all in his debut round in 2012. Seniors Keyon Addison at point and Jerry Smith on the wing have been around forever and know how to win. Soph forward Algevon Eichelberger could be the next Jarrett Stephens or Draymond Green, he'll average a double-double.

### **6. Clarkston**

A lot of likeable parts. Strong at point guard with senior Press Kampe and junior Andrew Myers; elite three-point ball from senior Nick Owens; one of state's fastest improving bigs in 6-8 senior Michael Nicholson and another 6-8 who can play in junior Cole Chewins; the next Brandon Pokely, Walled Lake Northern transfer Tabin Throgmorton, a 6-3 sophomore.

## **7. Grand Rapids Christian**

The Drake Harris Era went out with a whimper and not a roar, but on his junior season alone he stands as one of Grand Rapids' greatest prep athletes with his record-setting football final, followed less than four months later by a state semifinal appearance at Breslin. Filling that void, on the court at least, is junior Deleon Brown, one of the top all-around guards in the junior class. 6-8 Darohn Scott came off the bench during the Eagles' tournament run, and they're hoping he picks up like he was playing in the semifinal loss to Romulus. Senior guard Dwayne Barfield is the other returner who saw a lot of time in coach Steve Majerle's first season on Plymouth Ave.

## **8. Romulus**

Saginaw and Pershing have cleanly transitioned coaching changes to remain Class A contenders the past two years. Now the defending champs try the trick. Their former all-state point guard Jerret Smith succeeds on the bench Nate Oats, who, like Wes Clark, Leo Edwards, EC Matthews and Jalon Plummer from the 2013 team, has moved onto D1 college ball. Smith doesn't inherit any starters, but seniors Deonte Bell, Juwan Clark, Kris Clyburn and Kenneth Henry have all contributed as has junior shooter Jaylin Walker. Soph guard D'Angelo Hansboro has Romulus written all over him, plays hard. And the Eagles still have that recruiting touch, with the arrival of 6-8 junior Rio Washington from Wayne Memorial.

## **9. Mt. Pleasant**

The three best teams in the Saginaw Valley are Saginaw High, Arthur Hill, and the Saginaw satellite campus in Mt. Pleasant, where seniors Anton Cotton, Jaleel Hogan, TJ Johnson and Aaron Leasher were part of one of the state's elite 17U travel teams, Hoop Grind. Hogan, a 6-7, 250-pound Detroit signee, pretty much has his way in the high school paint.

## **10. Detroit Cass Tech**

The PSL runner-up returns senior tweener vets Kenny Carpenter, Charles Key and Mike Laster. That helps absorb the graduation blow dealt with three D1 recruits from the 2013 team. They add transfer Isaac Bowles, who won't put up ridiculous numbers like he did at Cesar Chavez but gives the Technicians a wide 6-7 dump-it-down low post option; and 6-5 Donnie Tillman one of the state's top freshmen.

11. Detroit U-D Jesuit

12. Westland John Glenn

13. Holt

14. Bloomfield Hills

15. Detroit Southeastern

16. Detroit East English Village

17. Detroit Western

18. Taylor Truman

19. Warren De La Salle

20. Holly

21. Kalamazoo Central

22. Oak Park

23. Orchard Lake St. Mary's

24. Warren Mott

25. Romeo

## **Class A Player of the Year**

Eric Davis 6-3 Jr Saginaw Arthur Hill

## **Class A All-State**

Deyonta Davis 6-8 Jr Muskegon

Jaleel Hogan 6-7 Sr Mt. Pleasant

Jaylen Johnson 6-8 Sr Ypsilanti

Deshaun Thrower 6-1 Sr Muskegon

Justin Tillman 6-7 Sr Detroit Pershing

## **Second team**

Daryl Bigham 6-5 Sr Detroit Southeastern

Deleon Brown 6-3 Jr Grand Rapids Christian

Aaron Foster-Smith 6-7 Sr Taylor Truman

Marqywell Jackson 6-4 Sr Detroit East English Village

Cassius Winson 6-1 So Detroit U-D Jesuit

## **Third team**

Tyrone Acuff 6-6 Sr Detroit King

Brad Brechting 6-10 Jr Cedar Springs

Mory Diane 6-3 Sr Detroit Pershing

Algevon Eichelberger 6-7 So Saginaw

Yante Maten 6-8 Sr Bloomfield Hills

**Fourth team**

JaChristian Biles 6-2 Sr Oak Park

Brent Hibbitts 6-6 Jr Hudsonville

Mike Laster 6-4 Sr Detroit Cass Tech

Ted McCree 6-3 Jr Orchard Lake St. Mary's

Rashaud Orange 6-4 Sr Grand Rapids Union

**Fifth team**

Ken Carpenter 6-4 Sr Detroit Cass Tech

Drew Cushingberry 6-1 Sr Romeo

Alek Frascone 6-1 Sr Utica Eisenhower

Kenneth Goins 6-6 Sr Warren Mott

Justice Green 5-11 Sr Flint Carman-Ainsworth

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## Detroit News preseason top 20: Shrinking Pershing still best area boys basketball team

**Shooting guard Mory Diane adds to the strong mix at Detroit Pershing after transferring from Detroit Country Day. (Jose Juarez / Special to Detroit News)**

Detroit— As the enrollment declines at Detroit Pershing one part remains constant and that's the boys basketball program.

Last season, Pershing fell from Class A to Class B, but coach Wydell Henry petitioned the Michigan High School Athletic Association to remain in Class A for the state tournament, it was granted, and the school must remain in Class A for two years.

Regardless of the dip in enrollment Pershing remained one of the state's top programs. It was ranked No. 1 in the preseason and won its first 25 games before losing to Romulus, 93-91, in the quarterfinals. Romulus went on to win the state title.

Despite losing its top two players (Kahlil Felder and Martez Walker), Pershing is equipped to make another long run in the state tournament.

Led by one of the state's top players, Justin Tillman (6-foot-8), Pershing is once again ranked No. 1 in the preseason by The Detroit News.

In addition, Pershing has Mory Diane, a 6-2 shooting guard who transferred from Detroit Country Day. Junior Marquel Ingram (6-2), a transfer from U-D Jesuit, is eligible after sitting out last season, and there's Felder's brother, 5-8 freshman point guard Amani Felder, to add depth.

This talented group will mesh with returning seniors Darsean Woodson (5-9), Cameron Barden (6-4) and Dwayne Embry (6-8).

"I have more depth this year," Henry said. "We just have to put it together. I've got five or six players who, at any time, can go off and lead us in scoring."

## Numbers continue to fall

Enrollment has steadily declined throughout the city's public schools for the past decade or more. In 2007, Pershing's enrollment was just under 2,100. Two years later, it was near 1,600. In 2011, the school had a thousand students.

In the fall of 2012, Pershing and other Detroit Public High Schools, such as Detroit Henry Ford, Detroit Mumford and Detroit Southeastern, became part of the Education Achievement Authority (EAA) of Michigan, while others such as Detroit Cass Tech, Detroit East English Village Prep and Detroit Renaissance remained part of DPS.

Pershing lost 200 students in its first year as part of the EAA program. It's uncertain how many students remain but Henry, some of his players and Alvin Ward, director of athletics for DPS, estimate that figure to be in the 500 range.

Henry said it's a challenge to keep that number from dipping even lower. And with Detroit Southwestern, Detroit Cooley and Detroit Mackenzie — where basketball thrived — now closed, Henry hopes his school doesn't follow that same trail.

"It's a numbers game," Henry said. "We hope (it doesn't close). We're trying to get kids to come back. We're trying to keep the ones that are here to stay, and get new ones. We had about 800 last year and lost (approximately) 300. With the EAA schools being year-round, it's a challenge. You have some kids who don't want to go year-round. Others do. Sometimes less is more."

Henry's last point was directed at gang activity. He said a byproduct of the decline in enrollment is fewer gang members in school.

Woodson is aware of that, too. Woodson isn't one of the transfers. He grew up in the Pershing neighborhood and never thought of going anywhere else.

"My ninth and 10th grade we were DPS," Woodson said. "Then it changed. The class size is smaller. There's less behavior problems. There's less gangs in the school. But they're still out there."

"I guess there's a possibility it will close. Maybe the only thing that'll keep it open is the basketball tradition. Maybe there's a chance that tradition will keep kids coming here."

## Nos. 2-20

**2. Ypsilanti (20-5 record last season), A:** Perhaps not since the late 1960s have expectations been this high for this program (Ypsilanti Central reached the Class A finals in 1968 and '69). Coach Steve Brooks boasts whom many consider the state's top senior, 6-foot-9 Jaylen Johnson (signed with Louisville), plus two other returning starters, and a fourth who started part-time, from a team that reached the quarterfinals. Corey Allen (6-2) averaged 14 points as a freshman and Janeau Joubert (6-1), Antoine Joubert's nephew, returns at the point for a fourth season. Seniors Jacob Simmons (6-3) and Jalen Harmon (6-5) are the other starters. Amir Poole (5-7) is one of three junior guards who will spell Joubert and Allen.

**3. Muskegon (19-7), A:** A handful of Division I players dot this roster, led by point guard Deshaun Thrower (6-1), who signed with Stony Brook. Junior Devonta Davis (6-8) is a post player who can make the 15-footer and blocks. Jordan Ware (5-11) is a terrific on-ball defender and William Roberson (5-8) is the third guard in coach Keith Gray's three-guard set. Junior Joeviar Kennedy (6-4) is an inside-outside threat. Two transfers, including Blake Andrews (6-0) from Muskegon Orchard View, will provide depth.

**4. Saginaw Arthur Hill (19-3), A:** Four starters return from a team that lost to Saginaw by one point in a district final. Coach Greg McGrath has a top Mr. Basketball candidate for 2015 in Eric Davis (6-4). Davis is a point guard who can score. Brian Bowens (6-2) is sure to be a Mr. Basketball candidate for 2017. Bowens is the cousin of Arthur Hill great Jason Richardson. Among the top seniors on this deep team is Montell Handley (6-4), a left-handed wing who has been offered a scholarship by St. Bonaventure. Junior Josh Jones (6-9) is a raw post player and senior Caylan Young (6-4) adds experience.

**5. Detroit Cass Tech (19-3), A:** Depth is a plus for coach David Dixon. Two starters return plus Mike Laster (6-4), a proficient scorer who played starters' minutes last season. Kenny Carpenter (6-5) will play the point and he's received 10 scholarship offers from Division I schools. Charles Key (6-6) is a power forward who should receive help inside from fellow senior Isaac Bowles (6-7), a transfer from Detroit Cesar Chavez. Freshman Donny Tillman (6-6) will steadily earn his minutes. Sharif Black (6-0) and Ryan Walker (6-1) have received scholarship offers from Division II schools.

**6. Detroit Douglass (17-7), B:** Four starters return from a team that lost to Pershing in the PSL semifinals and to Detroit Country Day in a regional final. Darrell Davis (6-4) is one of the premier players in the state and is signed with Dayton. Terrell Hakes (6-4) is another combo-guard and he signed with Cleveland State. Daavi Bradley (6-4) can play all five positions but is a

natural wing. DeShawn Sanders (6-0) will often be positioned at the point. Adontis Pettway (6-0) and Kyante Evans (6-1) each started at least two games last season, and freshman Keion Epps (6-3) is expected to see significant playing time.

**7. Saginaw (22-2), A:** Coach Julian Taylor's team is experienced and has balance. Keyon Addison (6-1) is one of three starters returning. He averaged 15 points and six assists and is a four-year varsity player like Jay Smith (6-4). Smith averaged 12 points and poses matchup problems. Sophomore Algevon Eichelbarger (6-7) firmly positions himself in the post. He averaged 11 rebounds and 6.5 blocks. Malik Jordan's forte is as a perimeter shooter. Freshman Ronquavious Southard (5-10) could start at the point.

**8. Clarkston (18-5), A:** Three starters return from a team that was upset in a district final. Mike Nicholson (6-8) is an athletic post player and junior Cole Chewins (6-8) was a receiver on the Division 1 championship football team. Nick Owens (6-1) is one of Oakland County's top perimeter shooters. Press Kampe and Andrew Myers will share time at the point. "We'll be OK," coach Dan Fife said. Translation? Clarkston will be in the hunt for a state title.

**9. Detroit Consortium (21-4), C:** Three starters return from a team that lost to Flint Beecher (46-44) in the quarterfinals. When a team has the state's best player (6-6 Josh Jackson), a state championship is always the goal. But this is not a one-player team. Ronald Booth (5-9) is back for his senior season at the point, and Booth is a player who looks to score. Malike Dawson (6-4) is a physical power forward and Kenneth Turner (6-2) will take some of the scoring from Jackson from his wing position.

**10. Detroit Southeastern (20-5), A:** Coach George Ward must replace a senior backcourt from a team that reached the Class A final, but he has the best pair of forwards in the city, if not the state, in Daryl Bigham (6-6) and Leonard Harper-Baker (6-5). B'cari Charleston (6-2) is an athletic wing who will take on much of the scoring load. Sophomore Eahn Blackwell (5-8), a transfer from East Detroit, likely will play the point, and Keylon Oliver (6-2) adds a physical presence inside.

**11. Mount Clemens (21-2), C:** Three starters, and six of the top nine in the rotation, return from a team that lost to Flint Beecher in a regional final. Josh McFolley (5-11) led the team in scoring (17 points) as a sophomore. The pieces are here with Tarayle Cates (6-0) back at the point and Jordan Armstrong (6-6) in the post. Junior Charles Penn (6-8) will play power forward and the key for this team might be freshman Jermaine Jackson Jr. (5-8), who has received scholarship offers from four Division I schools.

**12. U-D Jesuit (20-4), A:** If it weren't for Josh Jackson, point guard Cassius Winston (6-1) would be the front-runner for the 2016 Mr. Basketball award. Winston averaged 18 points and 7.5 assists as a freshman. Senior Noah King (6-4) averaged 10 points and will move from the forward spot to the wing. Nick Mutebi (6-3) is the team's top defender and Billy Thomas (6-0) averaged 25 points on the junior varsity as a freshman. Freshmen Donatus Eke (6-9) and Gregory Eboigbodin (6-8) are from Nigeria and are pushing each other for a starting spot.

**13. Grand Rapids Christian (20-7), A:** Life without Drake Harris won't be too bad for coach Steve Majerle. In addition to two returning starters he has 6-9 senior DaRohn Scott to man the post. Scott has received attention from Division I coaches but "needs to put it all together," according to Majerle. Junior DeLeon Brown (6-2) was the team's second-leading scorer (12 ppg) and needs to become more assertive. Senior Dwayne Barfield (6-2) is a defensive specialist and Ty Evans (5-10) will take over for Harris at the point.

**14. Detroit Country Day (25-3), B:** Gone is Kurt Keener as coach but "Kurt didn't leave the cupboard bare," new coach Mark Bray said. Shooting guard Edmond Sumner (6-4) is a top Mr. Basketball candidate who signed with Xavier. Maceo Baston Jr. (6-5) will play every position but center, and junior Deshawn Lewis (6-4) is a natural wing player who will play inside half the time. Nazir Wallace (6-6) will start after seeing limited playing time. Darrel Davison (6-0) is one of the team's top defensive players. Depth could be a problem for Bray.

**15. Bloomfield Hills (18-7), A:** Five players started last season (three at Bloomfield Hills Lahser, two at Bloomfield Hills Andover before the two schools merged), led by 6-8 Yante Moten, who averaged 18 points as a junior at Lahser. Khalil Gracey (6-4) averaged 16 points and seven steals, and four-year starter Armand Cartwright (6-2) averaged 17 points. Josh Bender (6-3) and Dylan Deitch (5-11) started at Andover. Sophomore Jake Hecker (6-4) might move into the starting lineup by season's end.

**16. Southfield Christian (23-4), D:** Never mind that this team is Class D. Coach Josh Baker has Class A talent and five starters return from a team that won the state title and is riding a 20-game winning streak. Junior Bakari Evelyn (6-2) is back at the point, but he could excel if Baker moved him to the power forward spot. DeMarco White (6-6) will play inside but is just as

effective in transition. Lindsey Hunter IV averaged 14 points and is one of the few seniors. Ben Cookingham (6-2) is a solid defender and freshman Brock Washington (6-3) could start.

**17. Oak Park (10-12), A:** Unlike most of us new coach Bryant Tipton can't wait until the holidays are over. Five of his players won't be eligible until January because of the transfer rule. Ja'Christian Biles (6-3), a transfer from Southfield-Lathrup, and Rodney Scales (6-7), a transfer from Inkster, are eligible. These two and Demetrius Gassaway (5-10), who played for Oak Park last year, will hold the fort until players such as Kelvon Fuller (6-8) and Orlando Fikes (6-0), a transfer from Detroit Cody, become eligible. Biles, who didn't play last season, signed with Youngstown State and is one of the state's best-kept secrets.

**18. Flint Beecher (27-1), C:** Coach Mike Williams has no starters returning from a team that won the last two state titles, but this is a program. By March Beecher will be in the hunt for another title. Sophomore Aquavius Burks (6-3) saw increased playing time as the season progressed, and played 21 minutes in the title game. Junior Franklin Green (6-0) was one of the top reserves, and look for freshman Lavene Blake (6-7) to burst onto the scene as a starter. Amariontez Ivory (6-3) and Tommy Johnson (6-3) are transfers from Flint Northern (school closed) and both could start.

**19. Taylor Truman (16-5), A:** Aaron Foster-Smith (6-6) signed with Detroit and he will again be coach Chuck Suttles go-to player. Anthony Whartley-Fritz (6-7) has a lot to offer as a post player and his play promises to be given a boost by the return of Devonte McGregor (6-4), a Division I football prospect, who didn't play last season. Devain Newbill returns to man the point, but he'll be pushed for playing time by Matthew Mason (5-7), a transfer from Inkster.

**20. Detroit East English Village Prep (14-9), A:** Two starters return plus a third who started 10 games. Seniors Mar'Qywell Jackson (6-5) and Deitrich Cole Jr. (6-9) are the mainstays. Coach Juan Rickman said Cole is a late bloomer and is ready to be an impact player. Fred Wright-Jones (5-10) is a good decision-maker and Rickman said much of his team's depends on the development of two sophomores, Cedric Latimore (6-4) and Karmari Newman (6-3). "We've got a shot at doing something big," Rickman said.

**Teams to watch:** Canton, Detroit King, Detroit Western, Flint Carman-Ainsworth, Holland, Holly, Holt, Kalamazoo Central, Lansing Eastern, Milan, Romulus, Southfield, Walled Lake Western, Warren DeLaSalle.

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### **1. Muskegon**

**2012-13 record:** 19-7.

**Outlook:** The Big Reds will be a legitimate Class A contender for the first time in decades thanks to a talented cast led by 6-foot-9 junior Deyonta Davis, who verbally committed to Michigan State on Wednesday. He is dynamite in the low post and can shoot the three. Deshaun Thrower (Stony Brook) has amazing shooting range and is a terror on defense. Junior Joeviar Kennedy, 6-4, is a lefty who is tough to defend. William Roberson is a lightning-quick point guard, and Jordan Waire and junior Jason Loera are a pair of defensive stoppers who can hit open shots.

### **2. Ypsilanti**

**2012-13 record:** 20-5.

**Outlook:** This team will revolve around the No. 1 senior in the state, 6-9 Jaylen Johnson (Louisville signee), who averaged 18.2 points, 19 rebounds and six blocks in last season's state tournament. Janeau Joubert is a steady ball handler and the most consistent shooter. Sophomore Corey Allen (averaged 14.8 points) started as a freshman and has a legitimate mid-range game. Jacob Simmons will be the defensive stopper while Jalen Harmon, 6-5, will be the X-factor and play anywhere but the point. Juniors Avery Williams and Amir Poole will provide backcourt depth.

### **3. Detroit Pershing**

**2012-13 record:** 25-1.

**Outlook:** Last year's brilliant season came to an abrupt end in the quarterfinals, but look for the Doughboys to reach East Lansing this time. Justin Tillman (VCU), 6-7, missed most of last season because of a stress fracture in his foot, but is healthy and will be a dominating post presence. Darsean Woodson played a lot at the point last

season and will deliver the ball to Detroit Country Day transfer Mory Diane (Buffalo), 6-3, who is immediately eligible and can be a big-time scorer. Dwayne Embry, 6-8, will be another strong inside presence. Junior Marquel Ingram is a threat from the perimeter and Cameron Barden, 6-4, will help with the rebounding.

#### **4. Saginaw Arthur Hill**

**2012-13 record:** 19-4.

**Outlook:** The Lumberjacks are young at the top, but will contend for the Class A title. Junior point guard Eric Davis, 6-3, averaged 23 points as a sophomore and is being recruited by the biggest programs in the country. Freshman Brian Bowen, 6-6, already has Division I offers. He plays above the rim and can hit three-pointers. Martel Handley is the team's top perimeter threat. Caylan Young, 6-5, and 6-9 junior Josh Jones will provide inside scoring and rebounding. There is also a wealth of talent on the Arthur Hill bench, making it tough to beat in March.

#### **5. Detroit Douglass**

**2012-13 record:** 17-7.

**Outlook:** A run at the Class B state championship is within the grasp of a talented bunch of seniors who have grown up together. Darrell Davis (Dayton), 6-5, averaged 18 points last season and will team with 6-4 Terrell Hales (Cleveland State) to give Douglass a pair of guards capable of playing either spot as well as inside. Deshawn Sanders is a defensive demon while Davvi Bradley, 6-4, can play all three perimeter spots. Adonis Pettway and Keyante Evans are rugged competitors who can help at all five positions. Freshman Keion Epps, 6-3, could find himself in the starting lineup before long.

#### **6. Clarkston**

**2012-13 record:** 18-5.

**Outlook:** This could be one of the biggest Clarkston teams we've seen in years thanks to the development of 6-8 Mike Nicholson and 6-8 junior Cole Chewins. Junior Jonah Newblatt, 6-4, is capable of scoring inside and on the perimeter, as can 6-5 Andrew Swanson. The Wolves will get most of its perimeter scoring from Nick Owens while point guards Andrew Myers and Press Kampe will be able to handle pressure and deliver the ball to the scorers.

#### **7. Detroit Cass Tech**

**2012-13 record:** 19-3.

**Outlook:** The Technicians have a trio of talented seniors who will make them a PSL contender and a factor in Class A. Point guard Kenny Carpenter, 6-5, is difficult to defend on the perimeter and his size allows him to find good passing angles. Mike Laster, 6-4, is an excellent shooter and can score inside. Charles Key, 6-6, is a tough rebounder and inside defender. Isaac Bowles, 6-7, will team with Key in the paint for a formidable front line. Junior Rob Edwards will prove to be a reliable scorer. A gem is 6-6 freshman Donnie Tillman, who will rebound and provide inside scoring.

#### **8. Saginaw**

**2012-13 record:** 23-4.

**Outlook:** A return trip to the Class A final four is a distinct possibility for this talented squad. Keyon Addison (16.5 points, six steals) is a hard-nosed defender who can get to the basket and hit perimeter shots. Jerry Smith, 6-4, is an effective inside scorer who can also shoot outside and hit three-point shots. Sophomore Algevon Eichelberger, 6-7, will be a more effective shot blocker and inside scorer with his added strength. Ronquavious Southward is unusually polished for a freshman and he will do a good job running the point. Malik Jordan is a combo guard who can help at both spots.

#### **9. U-D Jesuit**

**2012-13 record:** 19-5.

**Outlook:** The offense will revolve around sophomore guard Cassius Winston (18 points, 7.5 assists), who enjoyed a phenomenal freshman season. Noah King, 6-4, moves to the wing where he will prove to be an effective shooter. Sophomore Billy Thomas is a combo guard who will add scoring. Nick Mutebi, 6-3, and

Spencer Sanders will lead the defensive charge for the Cubs, who were were hoping for contributions from freshmen Donatus Eke, 6-9, and Gregory Eboigbodin, 6-8, who are from Nigeria, but both have been ruled ineligible by the MHSAA.

#### **10. Grand Rapids Christian**

**2012-13 record:** 20-7.

**Outlook:** Since the best player in the school -- Drake Harris -- will be enrolling at Michigan in a few weeks, this team won't be as good as it could have been, but it is talented enough to make a long tournament run in Class A. Deleon Brown is one of the best pure shooters in the state. Dwayne Barfield is a lightning-quick guard who will play defense the way Rockford did under now-Christian coach Steve Majerle. DaRohn Scott, 6-9, will become an offensive force in the post this season. Ty Evans is a slick point guard who is capable of getting the ball to Scott in the post and Brown on the perimeter.

#### **11. Romulus**

**2012-13 record:** 26-1.

**Outlook:** Not much -- from players to the head coach -- returns to the defending Class A champs, who are now coached by former Romulus all-stater Jerret Smith. Kris Clyburn, 6-5, should develop into a good wing scorer. Junior Jaylin Walker is effective in transition. Sophomore D'Angelo Hansbro has excellent point guard skills for his age and his vision allows him to get the ball to the right people. Tyron Hamby is a fine shooter and can also create scoring opportunities for others. Junior Rio Washington, 6-6, is a transfer from Wayne who will be eligible in January and gives the Eagles a solid inside presence.

#### **12. Detroit Southeastern**

**2012-13 record:** 21-6.

**Outlook:** It may take some time, but by February this team could be better than last season's team that wound up Class A runner-up. Leonard Harper-Baker, 6-5, will play every position but in the post and brings the element of toughness to the team. Keylon Brown can hit the perimeter jumper and is even better taking the ball to the basket. D'Cari Charleston, 6-2, is a shooter and a terrific defensive player. Daryl Bigham, 6-6, is an amazing rebounder and a solid inside scorer. Sophomore Eahn Blackwell is a waterbug who will do a good job running the point.

#### **13. Mt. Clemens**

**2012-13 record:** 21-2.

**Outlook:** With a wealth of experience returning, this should be the top team in Class C. Junior Josh McFolley (18 points) hit 56% of his three-point shots last season. Dorian Armstrong, 6-6, averaged a double-double a year ago. Freshman Jermaine Jackson Jr. will run the point and plays like a freshman ... in college. Junior Charles Penn III, 6-7, can play either forward spot and will score inside and on the perimeter. Junior Gerald Blackshear, 6-8, is a shot blocker deluxe who will own the glass. Tarayle Cates will add experience at the point.

#### **14. Milan**

**2012-13 record:** 22-2.

**Outlook:** The Big Reds have dropped down to Class B and will be a factor come March. Junior Latin Davis (15 points) is an explosive point guard who has become more consistent with his three-point shot. Jacob Novak, 6-3, is a post presence defensively, but has guard skills offensively. Junior Nick Perkins, 6-7, is one of the top post players in the state. Donovan Verges scores on slashing moves to the basket and applies big-time pressure to opposing guards. Look for 6-4 junior Lance Lewis to have a breakout season. Junior Thomas Lindeman hit a school record 48 three-point shots last season.

#### **15. Detroit Consortium**

**2012-13 record:** 21-4.

**Outlook:** If Mt. Clemens isn't the top team in Class C, then these Cougars are. Consortium features the No. 1 player in the state in 6-7 sophomore Josh Jackson, who could be the top sophomore in the country. But there is more to this team than just Jackson. Ronald Booth will run the point and get the ball to Jackson. Rudy Smith

will take the pressure off of Jackson by knocking down three-pointers. Junior Mikel Tyson, 6-4, is smooth while Kenneth Turner will play tough defense. Malik Dawson, 6-5, will help inside and has perimeter skills.

#### **16. Jackson Lumen Christi**

**2012-13 record:** 21-4.

**Outlook:** This is a Class B darkhorse capable of winning the state title. Junior Khari Willis (13 points, six assists) is an excellent penetrating point guard who has worked hard to improve his pull-up jumper. Matt Bullinger (14 points, seven rebounds), 6-4, takes care of the interior defense and can step onto the perimeter to score. Coley Crowley adds a deft shooting touch from three-point range. Junior Damarion Snellenberger, 6-3, will help up front and junior transfer Devin Edwards, who will become eligible Jan. 20, is a cat-quick guard who can knock down outside shots.

#### **17. Birmingham Detroit Country Day**

**2012-13 record:** 25-3.

**Outlook:** The defending Class B champ will miss guard Mory Diane, who transferred to Detroit Pershing, but has an excellent player in Edmond Sumner (Xavier), who attacks the basket better than most. He can also hit perimeter shots and gets the ball to teammates. Maceo Baston, 6-5, should be an excellent offensive and defensive rebounder. Junior Deshawn Lewis is a physical wing player with good ball skills. Junior Nazir Wallace, 6-6, has perimeter skills, but could be a dynamite player if he can move inside and be an effective rebounder and defender. Taylor Graffa's shooting ability will keep teams from ganging up on Sumner. Sophomore Milan Williams will help with the rebounding.

#### **18. Bloomfield Hills**

**2012-13 records:** Lahser 18-7; Andover 10-11.

**Outlook:** This combines the Bloomfield Hills Lahser and Andover teams into what could be an excellent squad. Yante Maten (18 points, 16 rebounds, six blocks) is an eraser on defense, making defensive mistakes disappear, and can score in the paint and on the perimeter. Khalil Gracey (14 points, nine rebounds, seven steals), 6-4, can play anywhere but in the post. Armand Cartwright is a combo guard who can run the point and knock down perimeter shots. Dylan Dietsch is a gritty guard who brings toughness to the lineup. Junior Josh Bender's ability to hit three-point shots will spread the defense.

#### **19. Southfield Christian**

**2012-13 record:** 23-4.

**Outlook:** In four months the two-time defending Class D state champs should be three-time defending champs, because this team has a core that other Class D teams cannot match. Junior Bakari Evelyn (15 points) has improved his perimeter shooting. Lindsey Hunter IV has made a quantum leap with his overall skill level. He has improved his shooting, ball handling and the ability to finish plays. Damarco White, 6-6, will be a dominating inside presence who can block shots and rebound. Junior Kameron Garner will defend the opposition's best player. Harding Fears will be the team enforcer and do all the little things to help.

#### **20. Wayland**

**2012-13 record:** 14-8.

**Outlook:** Look for a leap in improvement in this team that could be a factor in the Class B tournament. Junior Dilon Aten (13 points) is a classic point guard who finds a way to get the ball to the right people at the right time. Junior Lacey James (14 points, 10 rebounds), 6-7, will be more than an inside scorer this season. Jack Phillips is a high energy defensive stopper who will add scoring punch. Keagan Ritz-Smith, 6-4, was an off-guard last season and will help inside. Quintin Sweeney adds toughness and rebounding.

## THE TOP 50

1. Josh Jackson, 6-7, so., Detroit Consortium
2. Jaylen Johnson, 6-9, sr., Ypsilanti
3. Justin Tillman, 6-7, sr., Detroit Pershing
4. Edmond Sumner, 6-4, sr., Detroit County Day
5. Deyonta Davis, 6-9, jr., Muskegon
6. Eric Davis, 6-3, jr., Saginaw Arthur Hill
7. Darrell Davis, 6-5, sr., Detroit Douglass
8. Aaron Foster-Smith, 6-7, sr., Taylor Truman
9. Marqywell Jackson, 6-4, sr., Detroit East English
10. Yante Maten, 6-8, sr., Bloomfield Hills
11. Deshaun Thrower, 6-1, sr., Muskegon
12. Algevon Eichelberger, 6-7, so., Saginaw
13. Luke Meyer, 6-10, sr., Addison
14. Jordan Nobles, 6-8, sr., Canton
15. Evan Kraatz, 5-11, sr., AP Inter-City Baptist
16. Cassius Winston, 6-1, so., U-D Jesuit
17. Tyrone Acuff, 6-6, sr., Detroit King
18. Jalen Brooks, 6-4, sr., Cadillac
19. Daryl Bigham, 6-5, sr., Detroit Southeastern
20. Khari Willis, 6-1, jr., Jackson Lumen Christi
21. Corey Redman, 6-5, jr., Boyne City
22. Mory Diane, 6-3, sr., Detroit Pershing
23. Leonard Harper-Baker, 6-5, sr., Det. S' eastern
24. Deleon Brown, 6-3, jr., Grand Rapids Christian
25. Kenny Carpenter, 6-5, sr., Detroit Cass Tech
26. Bakari Evelyn, 6-2, jr., Southfield Christian
27. Terrell Hales, 6-4, sr., Detroit Douglass
28. Nick Perkins, 6-7, jr., Milan
29. Kris Clyburn, 6-5, sr., Romulus
30. Kenny Goins, 6-8, sr., Warren Mott
31. Josh McFolley, 5-11, jr., Mt. Clemens
32. Jaleel Hogan, 6-7, sr., Mt. Pleasant
33. Kelvon Fuller, 6-7, so., Oak Park
34. Brad Brechting, 6-10, jr., Cedar Springs
35. Jaire Grayer, 6-4, jr., Flint Southwestern
36. Lacey James, 6-7, jr., Wayland
37. Mike Nicholson, 6-8, sr., Clarkston
38. Kyle Steigenga, 6-4, sr., Holland Christian
39. Keyon Addison, 6-1, sr., Saginaw
40. Nick Spitzley, 6-2, sr., Pewamo-Westphalia
41. Damarco White, 6-6, sr., Southfield Christian
42. Jeron Rogers, 6-7, jr., North Farmington
43. Luke Diekevers, 6-5, sr., Jenison
44. Austin Davis, 6-9, so., Onsted
45. Drew Zuidema, 6-3, sr., G.R. NorthPointe
46. Nick Owens, 6-1, sr., Clarkston
47. Mike Laster, 6-4, sr., Detroit Cass Tech
48. Jordan VanDort, 6-5, sr., Zeeland West
49. Drake Baar, 6-8, sr., Comstock Park
50. Josh Davis, 6-4, jr., Detroit Henry Ford

## THE NEXT 50 (ALPHABETICALLY)

- Corey Allen, 6-3, so., Ypsilanti  
T.J. Baker, 6-2, sr., Clinton  
Ja'Christian Biles, 6-3, sr., Oak Park  
Delaney Blaylock, 6-2, jr., Wyoming Godwin Heights

Brian Bowen, 6-5, fr., Saginaw Arthur Hill  
Aquavius Burks, 6-3, so., Flint Beecher  
Brandon Childress, 6-3, jr., Baldwin  
Rayvlon Croon, 6-5, sr., Redford Thurston  
Drew Cushingberry, 6-2, sr., Romeo  
Devon Daniels, 6-3, so., Kalamazoo Central  
Latin Davis, 5-9, jr., Milan  
Frank DeVos, 6-6, sr., Macomb L'Anse Creuse North  
Seth Dugan, 6-11, jr., Otsego  
Michael Edwards, 6-9, jr., Westland Glenn  
Tanner Eubank, 6-3, jr., Paw Paw  
Isaac Everette, 6-4, sr., Westland Glenn  
Alek Frascione, 6-2, sr., Utica Eisenhower  
Richard Gold, 6-4, sr., Detroit Loyola  
Justice Green, 5-11, sr., Flint Carman-Ainsworth  
Devin Haygood, 6-6, jr., Ypsilanti Lincoln  
Brent Hibbits, 6-6, jr., Hudsonville  
Lindsey Hunter IV, 5-11, sr., Southfield Christian  
Don'Quall Jackson, 5-11, sr., Holt  
Tony Jandron, 6-2, sr., Negaunee  
Gage Kreski, 6-2, so., St. Ignace  
Colin Lake, 5-7, sr., Ottawa Lake Whiteford  
David Loney, 6-3, jr., Frankfort  
Evan Marquardt, 6-6, sr., Midland Bullock Creek  
Andia Marsh, 6-1, jr., Taylor Kennedy  
Kheri Maxwell, 6-7, jr., Detroit Western  
Kevin McKay, 6-5, so., Warren De La Salle  
Ted McCree, 6-3, jr., Orchard Lake St. Mary's  
Brailen Neely, 5-8, so., Detroit Western  
Rashaud Orange, 6-5, sr., Grand Rapids Union  
**Michael Peterson, 6-6, so., Rockford**  
David Rinke, 6-5, so., Almont  
John Rexroth, 6-9, jr., Farmington Hills Harrison  
Brad Schaub, 6-4, sr., Marlette  
Shae Somers, 5-11, Elk Rapids  
Chance Stewart, 6-5, sr., Sturgis  
Aaron Sydnor, 6-1, sr., Muskegon Heights  
James Towns, 6-1, so., Detroit Henry Ford  
Justin Turner, 6-2, so., Detroit Renaissance  
Quinn Tyson, 6-1, sr., Big Rapids  
Connor Vandecaveye, 6-2, sr., Blissfield  
Mason VanPamel, 6-3, jr., Hillman  
Jovan Wasson, 6-0, sr., Ecorse  
Bryce Windham, 6-0, jr., Monroe St. Mary CC  
Michael Winowiecki, 6-3, sr., Saugatuck  
Kyle Woodruff, 6-2, so., Holly