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After a busy holiday season, the basketball season is starting to transition into league play. We take a look at some sophomores and juniors turning heads this winter, including the second commitment from the 2014 class.

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2014 Carondelet small forward [Mackenzie Cast](#) has verbally committed to Loyola Marymount, according to NCP analyst Chris Roemer. She is a 3-star prospect and ranked No. 13 in the NCP Top 40. Cast is averaging 16.5 points through two East Bay Athletic League games after having good moments at the West Coast Jamboree. Loyola Marymount is currently 7-8 and has split games in the early schedule of the West Coast Conference.

St. Francis-Sacramento was dealt an 89-50 home loss to Christian Brothers. 2014 shooting guard [Najah Queenland](#) finished with 16 points and seven rebounds in being the primary ball handler. The 5-foot-10 junior projects as an off the ball slasher who showed good hesitation skills on her drives. She can be a tough rebounder and was able to push tempo up the middle of the floor. She made a mid-range jumper from the right wing, but needs to add to her outside game. Queenland is a 3-star recruit and ranked No. 17 in the NCP Top 40



Tiara Tucker continues to impress with her open court speed

Brookside Christian easily moved past Pacific Collegiate 75-20 in a game featuring a trio of talented 2014 and 2015 prospects. Roemer gives his thoughts on the top players:

[Morgan Green](#) 5-foot-8 PG Pacific Collegiate (2014): Despite lacking a supporting cast at Pacific Collegiate, Green finds people and makes the right pass. She's a streak shooter. She has gotten a little taller and has a little more muscle on her. Her reach definitely helps. She blocked Tucker a couple times. She is the best true point guard in this class. Green added 31 points in her next game against King City.

[Tiara Tucker](#) 5-foot-8 G Brookside Christian (2014): Against Pacific Collegiate, Tucker's game wasn't any different than her norm. She was her typical scoring lead guard self, filling the box score with a high volume of shots. She operated off the ball filling space around the perimeter as she's a guard with a quick release and capable of connecting on outside looks in a hurry. Her defensive pressure led to easy takes to the bucket. She continues to impress with her open court speed, but she needs to be more comfortable with the ball in her hands in the half court making decisions and creating shots.

[Raky'ra Gabriel](#) 6-foot-1 F Brookside Christian (2015): The 2015 forward definitely looks the part as she's appeared to have filled out a little since her freshman year. She is a legit 6-foot-1 and runs the floor well at different positions. She is most aggressive in situations on the glass where she tends to get more physical and be fine with contact. Offensively, she received the ball in opportunities to score or in places where she could've created scoring looks, but didn't. She has the physical tools to be a wing forward, but Gabriel just needs to engage herself more often in the offense as a scorer.

St. Mary's-Stockton guard [Brijanee Moore](#) is a fast rising guard in the 2015 class and among the top sophomores in Northern California. In a 67-56 win over St. Mary's-Berkeley, she had 24 points, 11 rebounds and seven steals. She has helped the Rams stay at No. 2 in the rankings despite 2014 forward [Charise Holloway](#) only playing in one game this year. The Rams take on Salesian this Saturday.

Piedmont defeated Alameda 62-54 as 2014 shooter [Lauren Seyranian](#) had 28 points and three made 3s for Piedmont. She also got to the line in going 11-for-15. Alameda power forward [Marie Bertholdt](#) had 22 points on 8-for-11 shooting from the free throw line.

Salesian knocked off Menlo 63-50 with an intriguing post matchup in Menlo senior [Drew Edelman](#), headed to USC, and Salesian junior [Zoe Correal](#), who could move up the rankings. Edelman had 12 points and eight rebounds while Correal eight points and 10 rebounds.

Unsigned 2013 Newark Memorial forward [Taylor Norman](#) is averaging 14 points per game, but has scored more than 20 points in two of her last three games against Castro Valley and Terra Nova.

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