

## GIRLS' BASKETBALL



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## 31st annual Cal-Hi Sports All-State Girls Basketball Teams Announced

This is the place for first team overall, second team overall, third team overall. Mater Dei, Brea Olinda, Berkeley, Long Beach Poly, Carondelet, Canyon Springs all get multiple honorees.

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### First Team Overall

#### C – Aly Beebe, St. Joseph (Santa Maria, Calif.) 6-5 Jr.

Already named as our State Junior of the Year and the Player of the Year for Division III, Beebe adds first team all-state overall to her resume. She scored 21 points and had seven rebounds when St. Joseph defeated Bishop O'Dowd of Oakland, 53-42, in the Division III state final. She posted per game marks during the season of 20.7 points and 12.2 rebounds. Beebe is regarded as one of the top junior post players in the nation. She is No. 13 in the ESPNU Super 60.

#### G – Brittany Boyd, Berkeley (Berkeley, Calif.) 5-8 Sr.

The Cal-bound Boyd was the top player on the CIF Division I state runner-up. Although she finally got her team to a state title game after transferring to Berkeley and becoming eligible late in her sophomore year, the lightning quick guard that can go inside-out and is a tenacious defender was unable to deliver on her dream of bringing a state championship home for the Yellowjackets. The San Francisco Chronicle All Metro and Contra Costa Times All East Bay first team selection averaged 15.7 points, 6.7 steals, 6.4 rebounds and 5.2 assists per game.

#### G – Ariya Crook-Williams, Long Beach Poly (Long Beach, Calif.) 5-8 Sr.

Along with teammate Sheila Boykin, she was named Co-MVP of the Moore League and to the All-CIF Division I-AA team as she averaged 11.7 points and 2.2 assists. In her best offensive game of the season, she scored 26 points in a 61-56 win over Mater Dei. That one game against a team as dominant as the Monarchs is the difference for Ariya being first team while Boykin was second team. The USC recruit also played in the McDonald's All-American Game and won the skills competition.



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**F – Ali Gibson, St. Mary's (Stockton, Calif.) 5-9 Sr.**

Her selection is no surprise as she was one of our six finalists for California's Ms. Basketball and was named as our CIF Division II player of the year after leading the Rams to a third straight state championship. After a regular season that saw her average 16.6 points, five assists, 4.5 rebounds and 4.3 steals per game, Gibson increased her offense in the playoffs to 19 per game. The Oregon State recruit also was part of three CIF state title teams during her career and came within a last-second shot at going 4-for-4.



Photo by: Scott Kurtz

Kaleena Mosqueda-Lewis displays some of Mater Dei's FAB 50 national championship hardware.

**C – Reshonda Gray, Washington Prep (Los Angeles, Calif.) 6-3 Sr.**

Ranked No. 22 in the ESPNU 100, she's considered to be not just one of the top players in the state but in the nation. The McDonald's All-American will be headed to Cal next season after dominating with 19.2 points and 17.1 rebounds a game for the Generals. In her best offensive game of the season, she scored 29 points in a 64-53 win over Chatsworth. Before the season, Gray was named to the USA Under-18 team that went on to win the gold at the FIBA Americas Championships.

**C – Justine Hartman, Brea Olinda (Brea, Calif.) 6-2 Sr.**

Ranked seventh overall in the ESPNU 100, this UCLA-bound standout came back from a season-ending injury last year to be named a McDonald's All-American this year. During the Nike Tournament of Champions, she helped the Wildcats capture the title while earning MVP honors. In a three-game stretch, she scored 18 points against St. Mary's of Stockton, 21 points against Bollingbrook of Illinois, and then 22 points and nine rebounds in a 56-48 championship game win over Long Beach Poly.

**G – Hannah Huffman, Carondelet (Concord, Calif.) 5-10 Jr.**

Immediately after the season, the solidly-built and impressively strong guard that can play the one or two with equal effectiveness committed to Notre Dame, where her style of play should be an excellent fit following next year. The fiercely competitive Huffman, who can attack the rim or pull up for a smooth jump shot, had a total of 93 points in three regional playoff games and was the East Bay Athletic League co-MVP (with teammate Erica Payne) after helping Carondelet go undefeated in league play for the second straight season. She averaged 16.5 points, 6.6 rebounds, 3.6 assists, 3.5 steals and 1.2 blocks a game this season.

**F – Kaleena Mosqueda-Lewis, Mater Dei (Santa Ana, Calif.) 6-0 Sr.**

The honors for this UConn-bound standout are lengthy after she led the Monarchs to back-to-back CIF state titles and back-to-back ESPN RISE FAB 50 national championships. California's Ms. Basketball Player of the Year earned herself multiple spots in the state record book as she finished her career with 2,744 points while also showing she could do more than just score as she totaled 872 career rebounds. In her final high school game, she scored 33 points in a state championship win over Berkeley to finish a four-year run that saw the Monarchs go 123-7.

**F – Bonnie Samuelson, Edison (Huntington Beach, Calif.) 6-3 Sr.**

A McDonald's All-American and three-time all-state honoree, it's easy for Samuelson to get a little lost with a national standout like Mosqueda-Lewis so close by. But she's an All-American in her own right. The Stanford-bound Samuelson averaged 23.7 points with 8.4 rebounds and 4.2 steals per game as a senior. This came after she rained down 27.2 ppg as a junior. Samuelson, who also carries a 5.0 GPA, will make it into the state record book in several categories, including 2,534 points for a career and a 91.7 percent free throw shooting mark for one season.

**C – Alexyz Vaoletama, Mater Dei (Santa Ana, Calif.) 6-2 Sr.**

The talent the Monarchs put on the floor most nights was almost unfair to the other team and this USC-bound McDonald's All-American more than did her part as she averaged a second-best 10.7 points a game. Playing some of her best basketball during the postseason, she scored in double figures in eight of Mater Dei's final 10 games and scored a season-best 25 points in a win over Narbonne and then 17 points in victory over Canyon Springs to earn a trip to the state finals. She missed last season due to a season-ending injury the previous summer, but showed she was more than healthy this season.

**Second Team Overall**

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**G – Jordan Adams, Mater Dei (Santa Ana, Calif.) 6-1 Jr.**

If we had a list of early favorites for next year's California Ms. Basketball, Adams would be in the top four. And based on the ESPNU Super 60 of top juniors, she would be first. The super-sized point guard averaged 10.2 points, seven assists and 5.6 rebounds per game for the ESPN RISE FAB 50 national champion Monarchs. Adams' best offensive game of the season came in a 70-54 win over Santa Monica as she scored 19 points.

**F – Keani Albanez, Buena (Ventura, Calif.) 5-11 Sr.**

What we'll remember most about Albanez was watching her walk past press row a good two hours after her Buena team had lost by a buzzer-beater in the CIF Southern Section finals. She was still ticked off about it. Chances are, though, that now Albanez has had time to reflect on a very impressive senior season. The Gonzaga University recruit and Ventura County Star Player of the Year knocked down 21.6 points with 5.6 rebounds per game. She had 29 points in a SoCal regional game vs. Palisades and put her name in the state record book by going 18-for-18 from the free throw line in a playoff matchup vs. Canyon of Canyon Country.

**C – Sheila Boykin, Long Beach Poly (Long Beach, Calif.) 6-2 Sr.**

She may not have stats like some others on these teams, but that's in large part due to playing on such a talent-filled Jackrabbits' squad. Still, Boykin hit for 10 points and 8.3 rebounds per game. The UCLA recruit enjoyed one of her best performances with 19 points in a 58-56 win over Carondelet of Concord in the Platinum Division championship at the West Coast Jamboree helping her earn tournament MVP honors.

**F – Moriah Faulk, Santa Monica (Santa Monica, Calif.) 5-11 Sr.**

Leading the way for the Vikings on the offensive end, this UCLA-bound senior averaged 13.7 points per game. Faulk had 22 points in a loss to Long Beach Poly, but helped Santa Monica upset the Jackrabbits in the CIFSS Division I-AA playoffs. She had a season-high of 24 points against Division V state finalist St. Bernard of Playa del Rey.

**G – Tear'a Laudermill, Canyon Springs (Moreno Valley, Calif.) 5-9 Sr.**

Tear'a made opponents cry with her moves to the hoop, her leadership and her all-around play. She was the No. 1 player on one of the state's top ranked teams and wrapped up her four-year career by averaging 16.6 points per game. The Nebraska University recruit also ended with career totals of 1,779 points, 457 steals and 389 assists. Laudermill was a shooting guard during her first two years at Canyon Springs, then made a successful transition to point guard.

**G – Madison Parrish, Hanford (Hanford, Calif.) 5-7 Sr.**

The Fresno Bee Player of the Year for the second time wrapped up a sensational career that saw the Bullpups capture four section championships. In her senior season, Parrish averaged 14.2 points, eight assists and 4.4 steals per game. She also finished her career with 1,630 points, 900 assists, 508 steals and 337 rebounds. A four-time West Yosemite League MVP and daughter of Hanford coach Tom Parrish, she will head to Fresno State next season.

**F – Erica Payne, Carondelet (Concord, Calif.) 6-2 Sr.**

Although she helped lead the Cougars to the CIF Northern Regional Division I championship game, a 68-57 loss to Berkeley, the East Bay Athletic League co-MVP (with teammate Hannah Huffman) had a solid season but not the dominating one many felt she would need to lead the team to a state championship appearance. The Cougars' emotional leader, who is headed to Stanford, was the force inside for the East Bay Athletic League champions. She averaged 13.9 points, 8.5 rebounds, 2.8 steals and 2.2 blocks per game.

**G – Alexis Perry, Brea Olinda (Brea, Calif.) 5-8 Sr.**

For most teams, Alexis would be the go-to player, but she still shined bright for the Wildcats as she averaged 10 points per game alongside fellow senior Justine Hartman. In her best offensive performance of the season, she scored 22 points against Mater Dei of Santa Ana in the Southern Section Division IAA championship game but it wasn't enough to prevent a 63-54 defeat. For the second straight year, she was named first team All-Orange County and she was also named MVP of the Century League. She is undeclared for college.

**G – Janae' Sharpe, Rialto (Rialto, Calif.) 5-6 Sr.**

She was perhaps the state's top player in the clutch as she hit not one but two buzzer-beating shots to lead Rialto to the CIFSS Div. II-AA title as well as the CIF Div. II Southern Regional crown. Although the run ended with a loss to St. Mary's of Stockton, Sharpe's overall season efforts were not diminished at all. The Riverside Press-Enterprise Player of the Year connected for 24.6 points per game and handed out 9.5 assists. She finished her career with just more than 2,600 points, the sixth best in Inland Empire history. Sharpe will play next at Cal State Northridge.

**C – Imani Stafford, Windward (Los Angeles, Calif.) 6-7 Jr.**

It's easy to see what Stafford meant to her team as Windward was 10-4 without her, then went 20-0 with her to win the CIF Division IV state crown. A post player with hard to imagine upside potential, Stafford averaged 12.2 points, 12.1 rebounds and 4.3 blocks per game. She already has been

chosen as the Division IV State Player of the Year and is No. 11 on the ESPNU Super 60 for top national juniors. In a few years, she may be the best player of all on these teams, but she still has some developing to do. If she hadn't missed so many games, she'd probably have been first team for sure.

### **Third Team Overall**

#### **F – Saidah Allen, Piedmont (Piedmont, Calif.) 5-11 Sr.**

Although her totals are not yet official, the Fresno State-bound scoring and rebounding machine may very well be finding a spot in the ESPN RISE Cal-Hi Sports State Record Book & Almanac along with former Highlanders Courtney and Ashley Paris. Allen averaged an amazing 22.3 points, 19.3 rebounds, four steals and four blocks per game in leading Piedmont into the CIF Division IV Northern Regional semifinals. She had similar numbers last season.

#### **F – Jada Blackwell, Etiwanda (Etiwanda, Calif.) 6-1 Sr.**

This powerful post player headed to Arizona State was an All-CIFSS Div. I-AA pick who led the Eagles to a top 20 state ranking. She had a best game of 32 points in a romp vs. Upland and had 21 points in a loss to state ranked Edison of Huntington Beach. For the season, Blackwell netted 17 points per game to go with 5.7 rebounds and 3.0 assists.

#### **F – Madeleine Campbell, Del Oro (Loomis, Calif.) 5-11 Sr.**

She was the leading player for a team that lost to St. Mary's of Stockton in the CIF NorCal Div. II final and has been chosen as the Sacramento Bee's Player of the Year. Campbell averaged 15.3 points, 4.9 rebounds and 3.0 assists per game. She is playing next at UC Santa Barbara where she will join former Del Oro standout Emilie Johnson.

#### **F – Chairese Culberson, Berkeley (Berkeley, Calif.) 6-2 Sr.**

After missing her entire junior season with a torn ACL, the San Diego State-bound post came back wearing a knee brace but undaunted, and seemed to get stronger and better as the season progressed. In the CIF Division I Northern Regional playoffs, Culberson posted a double-double in all three games, including 15 points, 13 rebounds and two blocks in the 68-57 title-game victory over Carondelet of Concord. For the entire playoffs, Culberson averaged 14 points and 15 rebounds. On the season, she posted per game figures of 13 points 12 rebounds and three blocks, although many games when Berkeley had big leads she came out early.

#### **G – Hailie Eackles, Pinewood (Los Altos Hills, Calif.) 5-8 Sr.**

The San Jose Mercury News and San Francisco Chronicle Player of the Year had 31 points when Pinewood topped St. Bernard of Playa del Rey in the CIF Division V state final. She also led the Panthers to the title as a junior and had a 26.7 points per game scoring average as a senior. Eackles also had three other 30-point outings in the regional playoffs and often had to guard centers in the paint. She will play next at University of the Pacific.

#### **C – Sophia Ederaine, Canyon Springs (Moreno Valley, Calif.) 6-2 Sr.**

A shot-blocking specialist who could score when needed, Ederaine was a valuable piece of the puzzle that pushed the Cougars to the CIF Southern Region Division I championship game. The University of San Diego recruit posted averages of 11.6 points, 9.6 rebounds and 7.1 blocks per game. She also ended her career with 564 blocks, which is just two below the total that Courtney Paris had in her prep career and will put Sophia's name into the state record book.

#### **G – Danielle Miller, Mt. Miguel (Spring Valley, Calif.) 5-9 Sr.**

A scoring point guard headed to UNLV, Miller was named the San Diego Union-Tribune's Player of the Year. She hit for 22.5 points per game and had 6.5 rebounds, 2.5 assists and 5.4 steals per outing. Miller led Mt. Miguel to the CIF San Diego Section Div. III title.

#### **G – Kelsey Plum, La Jolla Country Day (La Jolla, Calif.) 5-9 Soph.**

Plum could just as easily have been the San Diego Player of the Year instead of Danielle Miller. She did get one major honor, however, as she was the State Sophomore of the Year. Plum led LJCD to the CIF Div. IV Southern Regional final by hitting for 19.6 points per game. The big-time super sophomore also had 4.8 assists, 7.1 rebounds and 3.1 steals per game. Included in her outings were a 30-point total vs. Windward of Los Angeles plus 25 points, 11 rebounds and eight assists vs. Edison of Huntington Beach.

#### **G – Bria Richardson, Junipero Serra (Gardena, Calif.) 5-9 Sr.**

She's been chosen as the South Bay Daily Breeze Player of the Year after leading the Cavaliers to a second straight CIFSS title, this time in Division III-AA. Richardson pumped in 15.3 points per game and also averaged 7.3 rebounds, 5.9 assists and 4.9 steals. She hit for double-digits in scoring in every one of Serra's games except two.

#### **G – Ashley Watson, Archbishop Mitty (San Jose, Calif.) 5-7 Sr.**

The speedy point guard that last week signed with Georgia State and was the West Catholic Athletic

League Player of the Year. The first team All San Jose Mercury News selection averaged 12.2 points, 3.8 rebounds, 3.4 assists and 1.8 steals per game. In the Northern Regional Division II playoffs, Watson had 20 points, five rebounds and four assists in a 67-64 loss to eventual state champion St. Mary's of Stockton.

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