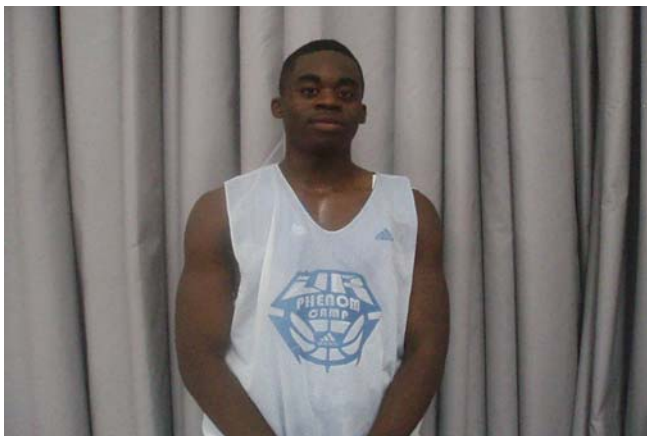


Northeast ADIDAS Phenom Basketball Camp

Fairfield, CT – The adidas Phenom Regional Basketball Camp held at Sacred Heart University this weekend, once again did not disappoint, as 185 players from CT, NY, NJ, RI, MA, NH, and ME came to compete, workout, make a name for themselves, and be evaluated by National Adidas Camp Director Dave Taylor and Regional Adidas Phenom Camp Director Jay Riccitelli. Many players received National Invitations to the National adidas Phenom Top 150 Camp, National adidas JR Phenom Camp, and the National Phenom Elite Camp, which are all held in San Diego, CA in the Summer of 2009.

Coach Taylor says, “This adidas Phenom Camp is the top Regional Camp in the Northeast and one of the top in the country.” Coach Taylor goes on to praise the Elite Sports Staff and President Jay Riccitelli for such an organized camp and experienced staff, which brings a great camp and great experience to the kids in the Tri-State/New England area a couple of times a year. Coach Riccitelli says, “Our goal is to provide the best camp and best opportunity to the players in the Northeast through our Regional Adidas Phenom Basketball Camps that are held in the October/November and February/March. Coach Taylor is a nationally known Coach in the Basketball World and provides great feedback for the campers to help improve their skills and get to the next level.” The regional camps provide lecture, speed-strength-agility workouts, advanced drills, exposure games, coach’s evaluations, and invitations to the top National adidas Summer Basketball Camps.



Jason Pierre 6'3 SG Christian Heritage Prep



Aziz Dieng 6'4 G Pomfret Prep

This adidas Phenom Camp’s High School division was highlighted with some very talented players with potential to be good college players. Aziz Dieng from Nashua, New Hampshire proved throughout the two days of camp that he can dominate a game in a variety of ways. Dieng is a 6'4 junior wing at Pomfret Prep School in CT where he should stand out this high school season and get some DI Interest. Dieng showed Coach Taylor and Coach Riccitelli he can get to the basket at will and score with strength and confidence, shoot the three ball with consistency, penetrate and pass to teammates in scoring position, and defense very well. Dieng who had a knee problem a few years ago, looks as strong as ever and is looking to continue to work on his skills. Jason Pierre from Bridgeport, Connecticut (Christian Heritage School) impressed Coach Taylor as he

continues to improve his skills and has improved with attitude and athletic ability. Pierre who attended the Nation Adidas Phenom All-American Camp two summers ago is getting DI interest from several schools currently. In three consecutive trips down the floor offensively, Pierre hit a deep three ball, drove to the basketball and finished with a reverse lay-up, and hit a teammate with a pin point pass to score a lay-up....Pierre continues to quite the critics and understands that working out and improving is more important than anything at this stage of his high school career.



Youri Dascy 6'8 PF St. Andrews Prep

St. Andrews 6'8 Forward Youri Dascy from Brocton, MA owned the paint rebounding the ball well and finishing inside with strength and power. Ruddy Joseph the 6'3 senior combo guard from Fall River High in MA was a highlight real all weekend throwing down several dunks a game. Joseph is definitely a big time scorer from the perimeter shooting deep three balls or getting to the basketball using his blazing speed and strength. Joseph is a college prospect that is on some coaches radars. Bryan Carbajal, the 6'1 senior guard from Durfee High in MA, was a speedy guard that used both hands well while getting to the basketball and often finished with finesse. Carbajal shot the ball well from the perimeter through out the weekend. Braxton Gardner from Bridgeport, Connecticut (Christian Heritage School) is a powerful explosive player in the block, but at 6'5 will be a DII/DIII recruit. Dennis Levene, who is a long 6'7 SF from Weston High in CT showed some perimeter game hitting shots from 15-20 feet out and also blocked several shots and rebounded the ball well. He is a smart offensive and defensive player, often in good position and makes smart decisions with the basketball. Levene has a 3.8 GPA and will be looking at Ivy League Schools this Spring. The 6'5 Brett Krumins from Fairfield Ludlowe busted on the scene this weekend showing soft touch around the basketball and a consistent mid-range shot. Krumins always seems to be in the right position to rebound, score, and or defend. College coaches will like what Krumins has to offer and will be a college prospect. The 6'7 Fairfield Warde Forward, Patrick Karrin is another unknown player that proved he is a college prospect this weekend by blocking shots, rebounding, setting screens, and finishing around the basketball. Karrin does a lot of little things that college teams need. Troy Miller, a 5'10 sophomore from Hamden High ran the floor and finished in transition and in most games was the fastest player on the floor. Jordan Wejnert the 6'7 junior from Ramsey High School in New Jersey showed off great athleticism and touch throughout the weekend. Wejnert's knowledge and understanding of the game helped him to be in the right position on offense and defense. Wejnert can shoot the ball from the perimeter and finish inside with ease...his long frame also allows him to frustrate players and block and or alter shots.

Some other camp standouts were Robert Campbell from Classical Magnet High in Hartford, CT was good in transition pushing the ball up the floor and forcing tempo on the opposing teams. Sheldon Hagigal, the 6'1 sophomore Guard from Westbury High in

New York played with high energy from the start of camp to the end of camp, using his speed to sprint down the court in transition. Hagigal was a pest on defense, hassling the point guards, forcing them to turn the ball over. Chris Cox from Dix Hills High in New York shot the ball consistently forcing defenders to get out and play him on the perimeter. Khalif Chaplin, a 5'10 sophomore guard from St. Mary's High in Hempstead, New York shot the ball well from the perimeter often knocking down shots. Chaplin is also a good defender, defending the ball well, and is in good help defense off the ball. Pat White, a 6'1 sophomore guard from Walt Whitman High in Huntington, New York showed speed getting down the floor quickly and scoring in transition. White also has good court vision and found teammates open in scoring position often.

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