



Name: Breanna Stewart
Sport: Basketball

Biography:

Certainly one of the most committed athletes ever to come up through the high-school basketball ranks, Breanna Stewart is not only tremendously successful on the court, but she leads each and every team she plays on with her hard work and joy of playing the game.

As a high-school athlete at Cicero-North Syracuse High School in North Syracuse, N.Y., Stewart played a total of five varsity seasons, including a varsity campaign when she was just an eighth-grader. She culminated her incredible prep career by leading her team to the 2012 New York Class AA state title and the 2012 Class AA Federation title, and she finished with impressive career totals of 2,367 points, 1,389 rebounds, 337 assists and 634 blocked shots, making Stewart the all-time leading scorer for New York's Section III.

Stewart's 2012 gold medal with the USA Basketball Women's U18 National Team was her fourth gold medal with USA Basketball, and she also became just the second high school girls basketball player to represent the USA in the Pan American Games in 2011. Since 2009, she also collected gold with USA Basketball at the 2009 FIBA Americas U16 Championship, the 2010 FIBA U17 World Championship, the 2011 FIBA U19 World Championship and the 2012 FIBA Americas U18 Championship.

Named MVP of the 2012 FIBA Americas U18 Championship, Stewart is one of the world's best basketball players, as well as a tremendous ambassador for her country, making friends wherever she travels.

Most recently, Stewart took her game to the college level at the University of Connecticut, where she already is setting freshman records. Stewart is one of UConn's top-three scorers, and she listed on the 2012-13 Naismith Preseason Watch List and was named Big East Preseason

Freshman of the Year. Helping her team to an undefeated, 12-0 start in 2012, Stewart became just the third freshman crowned Paradise Jam Tournament MVP.

