

# 2015 AAU 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Nationals Top Performers

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**ORLANDO, Fla** – BallN Prep was on hand at Disney Wide World of Sports Complex as AAU Girls Basketball's official ranking company. We had the opportunity to evaluate a variety of talented rising stars and below the following up and coming stars caught and kept the attention of our scouts.

**W Heavenly Greer**– Phoenix, AZ (AZ Mavericks): 6'-2" forward plays in the post for her 8th grade team but her natural position at the next level will be a wing. She is a long and wirey athlete that runs the floor like a deer and knocks down the mid-range shot with consistency. Handle is adequate but will need to improve it to have a smoother transition. Defensively she is active and athletic enough to guard on the perimeter. Great timing for blocking shots. Helped her team to the Final Four of AAU Nationals. Huge potential as a 2020!

**G Melanie Isbell**– Las Vegas, NV (AZ Mavericks): Small 5'-4" guard with big game and scoring ability. Shoots well from the outside but not afraid to mix it up in the paint and attack against bigger opponents. Plays with tenacity and aggression. Although small in stature she plays much bigger and has a solid compact frame.

**G Jordan McLaughlin**– Charlotte, NC (CBC Elite 2019): One of the top performing guards at AAU Nationals. She has a high motor and special ability to finish in the paint no matter who is waiting for her inside. She has a good handle, uses change of pace efficiently and has great body control. Can knock down the 3 point shot. She is a gamer and super athletic for her 5'-5" frame. Look for her to be a major player in the 2019 class.

**G Gabbie Marshall**– Mason, OH (Cincinnati Heat Premier): As Dicky V would say, she is a "PTPer." She has the goods. She can shoot the 3 off the catch or dribble. Has a very good handle and can create for herself and others. Shines at either guard spot. High basketball IQ. Defensively she has quick hands and anticipates well. Elite skills for such an early age. At 5'-7" she has the skill and potential to play at the college level right now.

**F Sammie Puisis**– West Chester, OH (Cincinnati Heat Premier): Sammie is a 6-0" skilled forward that can knock down the 3 as well as put the ball on the floor. What I love most about her is she competes and battles in the paint. Not just a finesse forward. She will be very good in years to come and a high major talent.

**F Julia Hoefling**– Cincinnati, OH (Cincinnati Heat Premier): Skilled and versatile 6'-0" forward. Runs the floor and is active at both ends. She has a lot of potential and will be a high level college player if she continues to develop her offensive skill set.

**G Kayla Ivey**– Forestville, MD (Havoc City Elite 2019): Don't be fooled by her appearance. This 2020 combo guard can flat out play and helped her team to a D1 AAU National Championship. She is one of the best passers in her class and probably the 2019 class as well. She makes precise passes to set her teammates up for easy baskets. Great court vision. High basketball IQ. She can also score and has the ball handling skills to break her man down and create for others. Nice stroke from the outside. She will be a heck of a player if she continues to work on her shot consistency and body frame. You will love her passing ability!

**W Anissa Rivera**– Dumfries, VA (Havoc City Elite 2019): Versatile player that can play inside or out. Dominated the semi-final showdown against the loaded Lady Jets coached by current NBA player Jason Terry. She plays like a female Kevin Garnet dominating the paint on offense and defense and knocking down the mid-range shot with consistency. She is capable of making 3 point shot. Long and super athletic frame that can dominate the game at any point. Must see this 6-0” 2019 STUD!

**G Aliyah Matharu**– Washington, DC (Havoc City Elite 2019): Competitor! She plays both ends hard and makes big shots for her team in the clutch. Good range on her shot and can finish at the rim. Defensively is where she makes her mark because she is a thief. Protect the ball when she’s guarding you.

**PG Sarah Andrews**– Irving, TX (Lady Jets 2019): This kid is special and on another level. She has Jewel Lloyd athleticism as a 5’-7” pg. She has a high motor and a very high basketball IQ. Beautiful arc on her 3 point shot that touches nothing but net. She finishes at the rim with great body control and catches lobs. Defensively she can impact the game on the ball in the passing lanes and with super athletic shot blocking. She was arguably the best player at AAU Nationals not to mention she is only a 2020.

**G N’Denasija Collins**– Arlington, TX (Lady Jets 2019): 5’-11” Athlete. Great size for guard position. Loves to get out in transition. Also has 3 point range. Get’s lost on a very talented team.

**G Dajinae “DJ” McCarty**– Desoto, TX (Lady Jets 2019): Silky smooth 5’-9.5” combo guard. She has all the offensive tools to be a very good point or shooting guard at the next level. She has a very nice mid-range pull-up. Understands spacing and has a good basketball IQ. She could be special in years to come.

**G Taylie Scott**– Maple Grove, MN (MN Crossfire 2019): Stocky 5’-5” guard plays with a lot of swag. She has a high motor and plays hard at both ends. Deceptively athletic finishes at the rim to go along with 3 point range. Scorers mentality!



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