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Paul McMillan IV

Woodward High School



Woodward senior point guard Paul McMillan IV has been a basketball superstar for quite some time and has scored 2,000+ points in his great high school career. He is the all-time leading scorer in Cincinnati Public School history and he has joined the Ohio record books alongside other Buckeye career scoring legends. In this year's Div. II regional semifinals, Woodward beat Roger Bacon and McMillan scored 23 points to move past LeBron James for sixth place on the Ohio High School all-time scoring list.

Last season as a junior, Paul averaged a league-leading 28 points a game to go along with 5.1 assists per game, 3.9 rebounds per game and 2.0 steals per game. Big games included vs. Cathedral (38 points), Hughes (36 points), Miamisburg (36 points) and Whitehall-Yearling (34 points).

He is having a good senior season, too, once again leading the CMAC in scoring, averaging about 28 points a game for a Bulldog team that went undefeated in league play and who were District champions. Big games include a school-record 41 points vs. Warren Central, 35 points vs. Hughes, 33 points vs. Toledo Scott, 32 points vs. Western Hills, 31 points vs. Dunbar and Withrow, 28 points vs. Toledo Rogers, West Hi and Shroder and 27 points vs. Pickerington Central and Hughes. He wore jersey #11 in this photo to honor legendary Bulldog basketball player and coach Dennis Bettis Sr.

His awards and honors would overflow a trophy case. He has twice been named first-team all-Ohio Div. II, three times first-team all-SWO District and twice been named first-team all-city and CMAC Player of the Year. He was also named last season's Cincinnati Div. II Player of the Year by the Enquirer. This season for the defending CMAC league champs, he was named one of the Top 22 players in the state of Ohio and was named a MaxPrep's honorable mention All-American. He holds numerous school records, including three-pointers in a game (45), three-pointers made in a game (8), points in a season (714) and field goals made in a season (243)

A great student (4.3 weighted GPA) who is active in community service, Paul has been heavily recruited by big-time college programs, but has not yet selected a college.

His favorite athlete is LeBron James, favorite entertainer is Kevin Hart, favorite book is The Way I Play the Game by Kobe Bryant, favorite movie is Creed and most-like-to-meet is Jay-Z.



NAME: Paul McMillan

GRADUATING YEAR: 2022

SCHOOL: Woodward High School

SPORT: Basketball

ACHIEVEMENT: First freshman ever to be named CMAC Player of the Year

HEIGHT: 6'3"-180 lbs.

PARENTS: Paul & Amy

INFLUENCE: "My parents."

FUTURE GOAL: NBA

"Paul's work ethic on and off the court is phenomenal. His passion and dedication are unmatched. He's a winner and a leader by example."

- Jarelle Redden, Varsity Basketball Coach

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