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**EIGHTEEN NEW YORK TRI-STATE AREASTUDENT-ATHLETES NOMINATED FOR 2012  
McDONALD'S ALL AMERICAN<sup>®</sup> HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL GAMES**  
*2012 McDonald's All American Teams Announced on February 9*

**January 18, 2012** – Today, McDonald's<sup>®</sup> announced the list of players nominated for the 2012 McDonald's All American<sup>®</sup> Games. Of the 600 nominees selected by high school coaches, athletic directors, principles and members of the McDonald's All American Games Selection Committee, eighteen players hail from New York Tri-State – five male and thirteen female players. The local players nominated for the 2012 Games include:

**The New York Tri-State 2012 McDonald's All American Boys High School Basketball Team nominees include:**

**Bronx, NY**

- Nkereuwen Okoro, St. Ryamond High School

**Edison, NJ**

- Roger M. Kilgore III Bishop, George Ahr High School

**Jersey City, NJ**

- Kyle Anderson, St. Anthony's High School

**Plainfield, NJ**

- Justin Sears Plainfield NJ High School

**Trumbull, CT**

- Timajh Parker, St. Joseph High School

**The New York Tri-State 2008 McDonald's All American Girls High School Basketball Team nominees include:**

**Annandale, NJ**

- Jessica Pellechio, North Hunterdon HS

#### **Belmar, NJ**

- Samantha Clark, St. Rose High School

#### **Burlington, NJ**

- Sandra Udogbi-Ofog, Life Center Academy

#### **Chatham, NJ**

- Amanda Berntsen, Chatham High School

#### **Edison, NJ**

- Elizabeth Sharlow, Bishop George Ahr High school

#### **Lodi, NJ**

- Kelcey Castro, Immaculate Conception High School

#### **Manasquan, NJ**

- Michaela Mabrey, Manasquan High School
- Jasmine McCall, Manalapan High School

#### **Newark, NJ**

- Brittney Sykes, University High School

#### **New Haven, CT**

- Bria Holmes, James E. Hillhouse

#### **New York, NY**

- Brianna Butler, Nazareth Regional
- Darius Faulk, Nazareth Regional High School

#### **Piscataway, NJ**

- Danaejah Grant

The complete list of 2012 McDonald's All American Games nominees is available at [www.mcdaag.com](http://www.mcdaag.com). The final roster of 24 boys and 24 girls selected to play in the 2012 Games will be announced during the McDonald's All American Games Selection Show on ESPNU, airing February 9 at 5 p.m. ET.

"We are proud to have a great group of talented basketball players within the New York Tri-State Area that are bestowed with this wonderful achievement," said Tony Scari, president of the New York Tri-State Area Owners and Operators Association. "These young men and women signify what it means to be a student-athlete by contributing in their community, school and on the court. We look forward to following these talented athletes closely as they embark on what we're confident will be a very successful journey."

The 35<sup>th</sup> annual Boys Game will tip-off on Wednesday, March 28 at 8:30 p.m. CT from Chicago's United Center and will be broadcast on ESPN. Immediately preceding the Boys Game will be the

11<sup>th</sup> annual McDonald's All American Girls Game which tips-off at 6 p.m. CT and will broadcast live on ESPNU. Information regarding tickets for the 2012 McDonald's All American Games is available at [Ticketmaster](#).

Proceeds from the Games will benefit Ronald McDonald House Charities<sup>®</sup> (RMHC<sup>®</sup>) of Chicagoland and Northwest Indiana (RMHC-CNI). To date, millions of dollars have been donated to RMHC Chapters from proceeds generated by McDonald's All American Games.

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