

WEST VIRGINIA

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Class of 2015 Signees



Anja Martin



Tynice Martin



Katrina Pardee



Yassemeen Sa'Dullah



Lauren Saiki



Marlena Schmidt

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ANJA MARTIN

5-11 - F/G

San Antonio, TX

John Paul Stevens

Played for coach Annissa Hastings at John Paul Stevens ... Named to the 2014 San Antonio Express-News Girls Basketball Super Team ... Averaged 14.7 points, 5.5 rebounds and 2.8 steals during her junior year to lead the Falcons to their first Region IV-5A Tournament berth ... Played for nationally-recognized AAU TeamXpress under direction of two-time National Player of the Year and Olympian Clarissa Davis-Wrightsil ... An AAU teammate of WVU signee Katrina Pardee ... Daughter of Kevin and Teresa Martin ... Listed as a strong, agile perimeter player that handles and attacks in transition and finishes plays up tempo.



COACH CAREY SAYS...

“Anja can play several positions. It’s great to get people in here that can play more than one position. It’s great to have a combo player that can play several positions. She plays with a high motor and with a lot of energy.”



TYNICE MARTIN

5-10 - G

Atlanta, GA

SW Atlanta Christian

Ranked as the 16th-best post player by ESPN HoopGurlz ... FullCourt.com listed her as the 22nd best prospect for the Class of 2015 in the publications' yearly Fresh 50 ... All Star Girls Report listed her as the 41st-best player in the 2015 class ... Transferred to Southwest Atlanta Christian Academy for her senior year and will player under coach Jackie Cowan ... Played for perennial Georgia high school power Southwest DeKalb for three years ... Named Class 5A Georgia All-State First Team ... Garnered DeKalb All-Metro First Team Honors ... Recognized on the All-Metro Atlanta Girls Second Team ... Posted 15 points and pulled in 16 rebounds to lead Southwest DeKalb to a state championship over rival Miller Grove in 2013 ... The Panthers finished ranked 22nd nationally during her sophomore season ... Helped Southwest DeKalb reach the 5A Championship game in 2014 ... Played AAU basketball for the Wallace Prather Atlantic Celtics ... Scouted as a player that has a strong athleticism, build and speed ... Very active without the ball and is a force on the boards.



COACH CAREY SAYS...

"Tynice is a very powerful guard. She is very physical and has a lot of energy. She can score and rebound very well. She is another young lady that can play more than one position because she is so physical when she plays."



KATRINA PARDEE

5-9 - G

Cedar Park, TX

Vista Ridge HS

Rated as the No. 22 guard in the 2015 class by ESPN HoopGurlz ... Plays for coach Pecos McDaniel at Vista Ridge High School ... Selected as First Team All-District and First Team All-Region ... Was named the Vista Ridge Offensive Player of the Year ... Earned Marble Falls All-Tournament team accolades ... As a sophomore, led the Lady Rangers to a district and area championship ... Named Girls Basketball Academic All-District in 2013 ... Described as confident combo-guard that makes plays in transition and stretches the floor ... Considered a lethal three-point threat ... Played for nationally-recognized AAU TeamXpress under direction of two-time National Player of the Year and Olympian Clarissa Davis-Wrightsil ... AAU teammate of WVU signee Anja Martin ... Daughter of Bill and Christy Pardee.



COACH CAREY SAYS...

“She has a high motor and a lot of skill. She can just stroke the basketball. She is one of those players that you better stay out on. If you give her a window, she can hit the three on you. She can also take it off the dribble and create. She gives us that shooter on the perimeter that we needed.”



YASSEMEEN SA'DULLAH

5-7 - G

Burbank, CA

Burbank HS

Ranked as the 31st best point guard in 2015 by ESPN HoopGurlz ... She was rated as the sixth-best prospect in California's 2015 class by All Star Girls Report ... Plays for coach Bruce Breeden at Burbank High School ... Started her high school career at Bishop Gordon ... Named All-California Interscholastic Foundation Southern Second Team in 2014 ... During her junior year, she was honored as Co-MVP of the Pacific League where she averaged 20.3 points per game in league play ... Boasted 18.3 points, 5.3 rebounds, 3.3 steals and 2.3 assists during her junior season for the Bulldogs ... Considered an explosive point guard and floor leader ... She can push the ball and run offense, with a strong mid-range shot ... Played AAU basketball for Cal Sparks coach Elbert Kinnebrew ... Daughter of Musab Sad and Lolaunda Jefferson.



COACH CAREY SAYS...

"She is another one that can play more than one position. We are not going to lock her in anywhere. She's going to bring a motor. She understands the game of basketball on the floor."



LAUREN SAIKI

5-3 - G

Monterey Park, CA

Mark Keppel HS

Tabbed as the 76th best guard in the 2015 class by ESPN HoopGurlz ... All Star Girls Report listed Saiki as California's 13th-best player in the 2015 class ... A star point guard for Mark Keppel High School ... Missed the majority of her junior year due to a season-ending knee injury ... Second Team All-California Interscholastic Foundation Second Team as a freshman ... Selected as an Almont All-League honoree as a freshman and sophomore ... Named the 2013 Magnolia Park Optimist Club Tournament MVP ... As a sophomore, led the Aztecs to a 27-6 record and a No. 34 ranking in the state by Cal-Hi Sports ... Averaged 12.1 points and 12.2 assists as a sophomore ... Played AAU basketball for California Storm Team Taurasi, which is sponsored by the Phoenix Mercury's Diana Taurasi ... Prior to her senior year, she helped Team Taurasi to the inaugural Nike Elite Youth Basketball National Championship ... Listed as tough competitor and floor leader ... Can handle pressure and a unselfish decision maker. Daughter of Robert and Lora Saiki.



COACH CAREY SAYS...

“Lauren distributes the ball very well. She is a true point guard. She passes the ball as well as any point guard I’ve seen in years. She can also score, which keeps you honest. She’s going to be hard player to trap and press. Lauren is very aggressive on both ends.”



MARLENA SCHMIDT

6-6 - F

Eighty Four, PA

Ringgold HS

Lettered in basketball for coach Laura Grimm at Ringgold High School in Monongahela, Pennsylvania ... A 2013-14 All-Section 4 Team honoree ... Observer-Report All-District Second Team ... Averaged nearly 12 points, eight rebounds and five blocks per game for Ringgold as a junior ... Ringgold held a 13-1 record when Schmidt grabbed five or more rebounds ... Guided the Rams to an upset win over No. 4 seed Hopewell to earn a berth in the WPIAL Tournament Quarterfinals ... Played AAU basketball for the Washington Impact under coaches Jackie Kotchman and John Sargent ... A strong inside presence that score and rebound ... Daughter of Carl and Tara Schmidt ... Her sister, Emily, is a starting forward for Chatham University in Pittsburgh.



COACH CAREY SAYS...

“We are excited to have her. She has high academics, high character and a strong work ethic. Her best years are ahead for her. Once we get her in the weight room and in skill development, she is going to be a very good player for us.”