

# Indiana Girls Basketball Recruiting Report

## Midwest Showdown

### Day 1 Recap Cincinnati, OH May 23

One of the top national Memorial Day events, the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Midwest Showdown in Cincinnati Ohio didn't disappoint. Packed with top shelf teams and talent and covered by recruiting services throughout the Midwest. Several of Indiana's top programs and teams were on the hardwood in each division, which included championship and runner-up performances. We will recap action we were able to catch during Day 1 of the 3 day event.

#### Elite Division

**ILGR Silver-** Packed with talent from top to bottom Silver sliced it way through Elite division competition on day one. While all of its 2016 are already committed to high D1 programs, it was the 2017 tandem of **D.Evans, Gary West, and K.McLaughlin, Homestead**, that carried play. 5'5 PG Evans used her extreme handles, acceleration and feel for the action to create space and scoring opportunities for herself and teammates on nearly every possession. The 5'8 sharp-shooter McLaughlin was often on the receiving end of those setups, working hard and smart off the ball and knocking down jumpers. High D1, needs continue work on step to create separation off bounce. (4-1, Pool winner, Platinum bracket)

**Sky Digg Gold-** Cohesive solid group of 2016 Central Indiana prospects that have played together for several years. **M.Grennes, Westfield**, strong solid frame that has the skill set to play several positions on the offensive end. Can shoot the three, rebounds well from G/W position, can handle if needed. 5'10 **K.O'Reilly, Noblesville**, great athlete with hops that can dominate around the rim on both ends. Capable of taking game to next level as she improves wing skills. **6'1 H.Reinoehl, Westfield**, solid skills with nice length. Great mid-range jumper, rebounds well, affects game on defensive end with length. D1 capable as she adds bulk and strength to frame. (3<sup>rd</sup> place Gold bracket)



**Indy Magic Blanding**- Solid, fundamental group of prospects from central Indiana. 2016 **H.Hoppingarner, Greenwood/ IUPUI**, has all the traits you look for in a true point. Leadership, values ball, creates, high bball iq, can score. 2017 **M.Wise, Greenfield Central**, 6'0 versatile wing that affects game on both ends with length and athleticism. Good in transition, rebounds well, finishes around rim. Needs consistency with jumper and creating in half court from wing.

## 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Division

**Sky Digg Green** – Final 4 SDE was led by 2017 C **M.Williams, Fountain Central**. The 6'1 post is a relatively newcomer to club basketball but has been making an impact statement this spring. Solid post frame with wingspan that she uses effectively on both ends. Soft hands combined with strong footwork gives her a threatening presence in the paint. 2016 W **A.Van Dyke, Westfield**, strong wing frame and game. Knocks it down from the 3 line and mid range and has skill set to put it on the floor and go aggressive to the rim. Rebounds well and capable of playing physical. (4-1, Pool winner, final four Platinum bracket)



**Indy Magic Scott**- We've featured them several times but the 2018 Pike duo of A.Baker & M.White are two of the best at their positions and grade level. PG **A.Baker**, tight handles, good instincts, creates space with quickness and bounce, scorer from the point. Wing **M.White**, long athletic and as versatile as they come. Can defend and score from 4 positions, needs focus and energy on every possession.

**Indiana Elite Team Indiana**- 2018 C **M.Blazek, Whiteland**, solid post skill set for a youngster. Plays physical, works for position, touch around rim . 2018 CG **M.Messmore, BNL**, showed versatility at the guard spot, handled ball, worked hard off ball, defended well.

**Indy Gym Rats Green**- A couple prospects that we have been talking about all spring had another good day in 2016 athletic F **A. Jackson, Merrillville**, active around the basket and on

the boards and **2017 GC T. Steele, Highland**, high motor, fluid and efficient on offensive end. (Pool Winner, Platinum bracket)

**Midwest Finest Stallings-** CG **A.Stallings, North Central**, a high motor guard that goes hard on every possession on both ends. Solid skill, aggressive to the rim, can hit jumper, locks down on D. (Gold bracket)

## 10 the Grade Division

**Flight Thunder-** A weekend after coming off a runner-up finish at LGR Invite, Thunder closed the deal this weekend with a championship. PG A.Dilk, Carmel, (championship game MVP) wasn't on hand Saturday so **S.Olinger, Plainfield**, took on the majority of reps and represented well. Valued the ball by making good decisions with the rock and was efficient in scoring opportunities from the point. 2018 sharp shooter **C.Hardin, Center Grove** was doing major damage from the arch,



connecting on 32 triples for the event and averaging 19ppg. 6'0 2018 top 15 prospect **B.Smith, Carmel**, was added to the roster this weekend as well. (6-0, Pool winner, Platinum bracket champion)

**Sky Digg 2017-** Couple roster members got in some double duty playing with the Sky Digg Elite Division squad as well, 5'11 G/W **B.Welch, Sheridan**, and 6'0 F **K.Murff, Lawrence Central**. SDE made it to the championship game before falling to its Indiana counterpart Flight. 5'7 **A.Huffman, Franklin Central**, as solid as they come as true point. (Pool winner, Platinum bracket runner-up)



**Lady Gym Rats Red-** New make-up of kids for Red. Joining the usual cast of 2017 PG **Wright**, quick play maker with extreme handles and **Howard-Bass**, athletic CG with D1 offensive skill set were some members of Purple squad including frosh 6'0 F A.Burr, strong frame and improving skill set around the basket and R.Milliken, forward frame with a solid wing game with knock down jumper. (Pool winners)

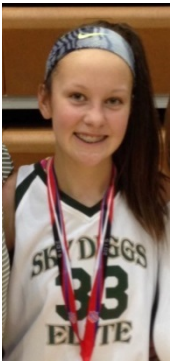
## 9th Grade Division

**Sky Diggs White-** 2018 SG **S.Kreig, Westfield**, solid jump shot, deep ball range, able to put it on floor and attack when closed out on. Was active on both ends.

## 8th Grade Division

**Sky Digg 2019** – Led by **PG K.Real, Greenfield Central**, heady guard that can create for herself and teammates, goes hard to rim, appears recovered from knee injury, capable of hitting jumper but needs quicker release.

**Sky Digg 2020-** W/G **S.Parrish, Fishers**, has a lot of the tools at an early age. 6'0 length with ability to handle the ball from wing or backcourt position has the aggressiveness to go hard to the rim and boards, good instincts and shoots the 3 well. (Silver bracket champion)



**Lady Gym Rats White-** 2019 **A.Thompson, Lafayette CC**, long athletic frame, can handle the ball, was active on both ends. Showed versatility on offensive end, scoring in multiple ways.

**Lady Gym Rats Gold-** ILGR finished runner up at the Showdown. Led by IGBRR 2019 #1 prospect **J.Allen, BNL**, who was strong and active on both ends. Solid frame with agility, skill and athleticism. Nose for ball off the boards, finishes with contact at rim. Gets to line with physical play, needs to consistently capitalize on FT opportunities. (Pool winner, Platinum bracket runner-up)

