

Kiah Stokes named McDonald's All-American

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Linn-Mar senior Kiah Stokes has been named a McDonald's All-American and will play in the prestigious all-star game March 30 at the United Center in Chicago.

Stokes also has been selected for the WBCA Nike All-Star Game in Indianapolis April 2.

Stokes, a 6-foot-3 center, was averaging 24.6 points, 14.7 rebounds and 5.1 blocked shots heading into Thursday night's game against Cedar Rapids Washington. She holds the Linn-Mar career records for points, rebounds and blocks.

Stokes has signed with the University of Connecticut and will be joining the Huskies next season.

Stokes was named to the West team for the McDonald's All-American game with with future UConn teammates Brianna Banks (Fayetteville, Ga.) and Kaleena Mosqueda-Lewis (Santa Ana, Calif.).

Iowa recruit Samantha Logic from Racine, Wis., was chosen to play for the East team.

MCDONALD'S ALL-AMERICAN TEAMS

West Team

Brianna Banks, 5-9, Fayetteville, Ga. (Connecticut); Ariya Crook-Williams, 5-7, Long Beach, Calif. (USC); Krystal Forthan, 6-4, Georgetown, Texas (LSU); Reshanda Gray, 6-3, Los Angeles (California); Justine Hartman, 6-3, Brea, Calif. (UCLA); Morgan Jones, 6-2, Lake Mary, Fla. (Northwestern); Kaleena Mosqueda-Lewis, 6-0, Santa Ana, Calif. (Connecticut); Amber Orrange, 5-8, Houston (Stanford); Cassie Peoples, 5-7, Cypress, Texas (Texas); Bonnie Samuelson, 6-3, Huntington Beach, Calif. (Stanford); Kiah Stokes, 6-3, Marion, Iowa (Connecticut); Alexyz Vaioletama, 6-0, Santa Calif. (USC).

East Team

Cierra Burdick, 6-2, Matthews, N.C. (Tennessee); Briyona Canty, 5-10, Hamilton, N.J. (Rutgers); Temi Fagbenle, 6-4, Blairstown, N.J. (Harvard); Bria Goss, 5-11, Indianapolis (Kentucky); Sara Hammond, 6-2, Mount Vernon, Ky. (Louisville); Amber Henson, 6-4, Tampa, Fla. (Duke); Betnijah Laney, 6-0, Smyrna, Del. (Undecided); Samantha Logic, 6-0, Racine, Wis.

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(Iowa); Allyson Malott, 6-2, Middletown, Ohio (Dayton); Ariel Massengale, 5-6, Bolingbrook, Ill. (Tennessee); Bria Smith, 5-10, Middle Village, N.Y. (Virginia); Elizabeth Williams, 6-3, Virginia Beach, Va. (Duke).