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# The McDonald's All American Games' 45 Greatest Boys List Revealed

CHICAGO (March 25, 2022) – In celebration of the 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the McDonald's All American Games, McDonald's USA and the Games Selection Committee have added five new inductees to the illustrious list of the best to ever play in the Games – including Chauncey Billups, Chris Bosh, Jermaine O'Neal, Rasheed Wallace and Chris Webber. In all, the legendary list now sits at 45 players made up of:

- 39 alumni who went on to become NBA All-Stars
- 18 alumni who were recently named to the NBA's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Team
- Nine alumni who were named NBA MVP at least once

The McDonald's All American Games Greatest Boys List was originally released in 2012 with 35 players and updated to 40 players in 2017 for the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Games. In determining the list, all players were considered based on their high school career and performance in the McDonald's All American Games, success at the collegiate and professional level and post-career accomplishments. Unrivaled on the high school basketball stage, the Games continue to help elevate these high potential prospects and prepare them for success at the next level.

# **2022 INDUCTEES**

**Chauncey Billups** 

A Denver native who represented George Washington High School at the 1995 McDonald's All American Games, Billups played college ball at the University of Colorado Boulder and would later go on to have a two-decade NBA career.

#### **Chris Bosh**

Bosh represented Lincoln High School at the 2002 McDonald's All American Games, then went on to play one year of college ball at Georgia Tech before going on to have a 13-year NBA career.

#### **Chris Webber**

Chris Webber attended Detroit Country Day School and earned the McDonald's All American co-MVP honor in 1991 before exploding onto the national scene as a young star. As a member of the University of Michigan's "Fab Five," Webber was the first overall pick in the 1993 NBA Draft and the 1994 NBA Rookie of the Year.

# Jermaine O'Neal

Drafted from the loaded 1996 class and straight from Eau Claire High School, Jermaine O'Neal was the youngest player to ever play in an NBA game at just 18 years, one month and 22 days old.

# **Rasheed Wallace**

During his high school career, Rasheed Wallace earned the honor of 'Mr. Basketball USA' while playing for Simon Gratz High School in Philadelphia, PA. Wallace was a three-sport athlete, but his early-on basketball dominance led to his spot on the 1993 McDonald's All American team.

In hopes of finding themselves on future lists, this 2022 class is set to make their mark on one of basketball's oldest and most historic events as they hit the hardwood on March 29 at Wintrust Arena in Chicago.

#### 45 GREATEST MCDONALD'S ALL AMERICANS (NEW ADDITIONS ARE BOLDED)

- Alonzo Mourning (1988)
- Amare Stoudemire (2002)
- Anthony Davis (2011)
- Blake Griffin (2007)

- Bobby Hurley (1989)
- Carmelo Anthony (2002)
- Chauncey Billups (1995)
- Chris Bosh (2002)



- Chris Mullin (1981)
- Chris Paul (2003)
- Chris Webber (1991)
- Christian Laettner (1988)
- Clark Kellogg (1979)
- Danny Manning (1984)
- Derrick Rose (2007)
- Dominique Wilkins (1979)
- Dwight Howard (2004)
- Earvin "Magic" Johnson (1977)
- Glenn "Doc" Rivers (1980)
- Glenn Robinson (1991)
- Grant Hill (1990)
- Isiah Thomas (1979)
- James Harden (2007)
- James Worthy (1979)
- Jason Kidd (1992)
- Jay Williams (1999)
- Jermaine O'Neal (1996)

- Jerry Stackhouse (1993)
- Kenny Smith (1983)
- Kevin Durant (2006)
- Kevin Garnett (1995)
- Kevin Love (2007)
- Kobe Bryant (1996)
- Kyrie Irving (2010)
- Larry Johnson (1987)
- LeBron James (2003)
- Michael Jordan (1981)
- Patrick Ewing (1981)
- Paul Pierce (1995)
- Ralph Sampson (1979)
- Rasheed Wallace (1993)
- Sam Perkins (1980)
- Shaquille O'Neal (1989)
- Tyler Hansbrough (2005)
- Vince Carter (1995)

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