

Rolando Rhymes earns MVP at Oak Hill

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After a very successful career in Arizona's middle school ranks, 5-foot-11 rising freshman point guard **Rolando Rhymes** is now looking to take his game to the high school level.



2014 prospect, Rolando Rhymes was selected as the MVP at the Oak Hill Academy Basketball Camp last weekend.

Camp. Oak Hill is recognized as the nation's premier high school basketball program. Under the leadership of Head Coach **Steve Smith**, the program has produced twenty-six *McDonalds All-Americans* and nineteen former players drafted by the NBA.

Rhymes would be selected as the camp's *Most Valuable Player* after a big-time performance in the camp.

"I did really good," said Rhymes. "Our team went undefeated, 11-0. I was the starting point guard on my team. They want me to come out there next year and play on the red team. I might consider it my junior or senior year though. There was a lot of good talent out there."

Rhymes went on to say about legendary head coach Steve Smith, "He is a really good coach. You can tell he knows a lot."

Rhymes will be traveling to Florida this month to play with the **Arizona Stars U14** squad in 2 weeks, and then is looking to travel to Las Vegas later in the month. Rhymes was also invited to participate on a junior olympic team in August that will compete in Mexico.

Rhymes is the son of former 1980's Carl Hayden HS basketball star **Byron Rhymes**, and is the youngest of four brothers. This young man does look to be the best of the four talented Rhymes' brothers.

Rhymes is also an excellent student and has a **3.8 CUM GPA**.

Arizona Preps will continue to follow the progress of Rhymes closely over his high school career, as this young man looks to have a bright future ahead of him.

Arizona Preps Scouting Report: Rhymes is a very skilled and jet-quick guard with the basketball in his hands. He has a slick handle and can get to anywhere he wants to on the floor already as a young prospect. His exemplary quickness makes him very tough to keep in front, as he likes to utilize his cross-over dribble to break down defenders and blow past them en route to the basket - where he uses a variety of shots and floaters to his advantage in the painted area. Rhymes also is a good shooter of the basketball and has range on his shot as well, which allows him to be a threat from anywhere on the floor. Also a strong defender that has excellent lateral quickness and is capable of beating his man to the desired spot on the floor, Rhymes is a lock-down defender and plays the passing lanes very well. Plays with superior confidence on both ends of the floor and has a winning attitude. A big-time young prospect for the future.