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2018 Los Angeles Point Guard Showing He Belongs 🞫 by Nigel Carter, Future150 (7:00 PM CT, Mon February 17, 2014)





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Los Angeles, CA (Future150) -- The cliché phrase 'looks can be deceiving' actually suits Los Angeles resident Spencer Freedman very well.

At first glance, one wouldn't expect him to be such a dominant player among his peers. However, every time he steps on the court, he simply dominates the competition.

Just under six-feet tall, Freedman is a pass-first point guard with great court vision, and excellent ball-handling ability.

Furthermore, the Class of 2018 prospect is an elite shooter for a kid his age, and has the ability to shoot from both mid-range and beyond the arc.

But perhaps what truly separates Freedman from the rest of the players in his class at this stage is his high basketball IQ.

It's rare to see a player that has yet to enter high school know how to play the game the right way at the point guard position. One that can balance making his teammates better while also scoring the ball. Yet that is what Freedman does.

A student of the game, he told JrFuture150.com, "I try to model my game after Steve Nash when it comes to running the pick and roll, and finding my teammates; and Mark Price when it comes to shooting or scoring.

It's clear Freedman has a strong desire to be a great player and he often surprises people with his ability. The term 'gym rat' can surely be applied to him.

Possessing a high skill level, which he credits to his stringent weekly workout schedule, Freedman also enjoys playing against older competition.

During each of the last two summers, Freedman has played against high school competition, and said that has drastically improved his game and confidence.

"Playing against older competition makes me play harder because the players are stronger. [That] makes me focus on the game more makes me get used to the physicality," commented Freedman.







To this point, Freedman has earned the title of being labeled the best point guard in California for the Class of 2018.

He'll be playing this spring and summer with Los Angeles-based Earl Watson Elite, hoping to continue his improvement, and prepare for the beginning of his freshman year of high school in the fall.

While Spencer Freedman is perhaps continuing to fly under the radar nationally, his recent performances have confidenced most on the West Coast that he is a truly an elite player among current eighth graders.

If he continues his development and improves his overall strength, ability to drive the ball to the paint, and lateral quickness, Freedman should maintain his lofty status and emerge as a priority recruit for collegiate programs in coming years.

