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Oak Hill (VA) - 74

Mater Dei (CA) – 55

This game was an absolute tale of two halves. Mater Dei stepped onto the floor amped, ready to compete and sophomore Spencer Freedman came out ready.

Freedman went for 5 3s and 15 total points in the first half, it was impressive as he showed a high IQ in getting open, and moving with out the ball.

The second half was a different story. It appears Oak Hill has the ability to turn it off and on as they wish. With Mario Kegler out and Khadim Sy getting hurt half way through the game, Oak Hill played with a lot of guard sets and Braxton Key. As you would expect, this line up was able to get out and run.

Eventually the game turned into a blow out as the final was not indicative of the game.

Standouts

Oak Hill

6'4" Junior Tyshon Alexander (Creighton)

Since his commitment to Creighton, Alexander has turned up the gear. He is now a seasoned scoring machine, showing poise and pace in the half court, to go along with a soft high arching shot with range. Alexander has comfort on the ball, in the half court to go along with his scoring abilities. Alexander finished with 16 points and won games MVP award.

6'7" Senior Braxton Key (Alabama)

Key is a jack of all trades player that will be a high major glue man as a multi year starter. Key is a strong body, that rebounds very well and is able to push the break

as he plays in the half court. Key has great vision and is very unselfish, but he also shoots and finishes with ease. Key finished with 16 points and 13 boards.

Mater Dei

5'11" Sophomore Spencer Freedman

Freedman plays with great poise on the court, he is confident on the ball as he is able to maneuver in and out of traffic. Where Freedman really shined was his ability to shoot. He has a high IQ, moving off the ball, and always catches the ball shot ready. The lefty finished with 18 points on 5 3s made.

Players of Intrigue

The great thing about playing for such high profile teams as Oak Hill and Mater Dei is the exposure you get. However, a couple young kids showed enough today to pique our interest. Mater Dei's 6'9" sophomore *Michael Wang* is a big kid with wing skills. He puts it on the floor and shoots it with range. Oak Hill's 6'4" sophomore *Montez Mathis* is a well built, explosive wing. He showed great pace and ability to get out and run.

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