



NICEA ELIELY

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6-1 Freshman Guard Colorado Springs, Colorado (Rampart)

Springs Metro League honors in 2015. She was also a second-team Gazette Class 5A/4A all-area selection as a junior.

Eliely helped Rampart advance to the Sweet 16 at the Colorado High School Athletic Association Class 5A state tournament and finish with a 20-5 record on the season under Coach Ashley Miller.

As a sophomore for the Lady Rams, Eliely contributed 12.7 points, 3.7 rebounds, 1.8 assists, 2.5 steals and 1.2 blocked shots to help Rampart advance to the Elite Eight of the CHSAA Class 5A state tournament and finish with a 20-6 record. She earned first-team All-Colorado Springs Metro League honors, while adding a second-team selection to the Gazette Class 5A/4A all-area team as a sophomore.

She was also a varsity contributor as a freshman in 2013, averaging 4.7 points, 2.8 rebounds and 1.2 steals per game.

Eliely played for the Boulder Rockies club team that won the U.S. Junior National Nike Tournament in 2015 and the Blue Star Nationals title in 2014 for Coach Johnnie Bratton. Eliely was also a member of the all-star teams at both the USJN Battle of the Border and the USJN Windy City Classic.

FIVE FACTS ABOUT NICEA

1. According to Nicea, she is half black and half Chinese.
2. She loves scary movies.
3. Nicea is truly a gamer (video games).
4. She considers herself a dog person (100%).
5. Nicea sleeps only with soft blankets.

An outstanding athlete, Eliely also competed in volleyball at Rampart in 2012.

PERSONAL

Queen Nicea Tyana Eliely was born July 12, 1998, in Colorado Springs. She is the daughter of Actual Allah and Yee Fong. Her father, Actual Allah, played basketball collegiately at Colorado State-Pueblo.

Eliely chose Nebraska over Colorado, Wichita State, Colorado State, Northern Colorado and Denver. Off the court, she was a first-team academic all-state selection and a member of the National Honor Society as a junior in 2015. She is majoring in biological systems engineering at Nebraska.

HONORS & AWARDS

- No. 143 Player in the Nation (Blue Star, 2015)
- No. 25 Guard in the Nation (ESPN, 2015)
- Second-Team Colorado Class 5A (2016)
- Third-Team Colorado Class 5A (2015)
- First-Team Colorado Class 5A/4A All-Area (2016)
- Second-Team Colorado Class 5A/4A All-Area (2014, 2015)
- First-Team All-Colorado Springs Metro League (2014, 2015, 2016)

OUTLOOK (2016-17)

The No. 25 guard in the class of 2016 according to ESPN, Nicea Eliely (pronounced ny-SEE-ah EE-ly-lee) earned third-team Colorado Class 5A all-state honors at Rampart High School as a junior in 2015. Ranked as the No. 143 overall player nationally by Blue Star, Eliely is an emerging player with loads of potential, who creates problems with her length, versatility and athleticism on the perimeter.

A potential lock-down defender and an offensive slasher, Eliely saw the greatest increase in production from her junior to senior seasons, helping Rampart to a 19-6 overall record by averaging 21.4 points, 7.6 rebounds, 2.3 assists, 3.4 steals and 2.0 blocks per game. She ranked eighth in the state of Colorado across all classes in scoring in 2016. She also ranked 11th in the state in free throws made (115) while shooting 84.6 percent from the line.

Eliely, who averaged 16.4 points, 4.3 rebounds, 2.5 assists, 2.7 steals and 1.2 blocks for Rampart as a junior in 2015, closed her career with 1,366 points, 455 rebounds, 188 assists, 247 steals and 118 blocks for Coach Ashley Miller.

"Nicea has great length and athleticism which will be assets for her at this level," Nebraska Coach Amy Williams said. "As she continues to commit to improve her skills, she will be primed to add depth in the backcourt."

BEFORE NEBRASKA

Eliely was ranked as the No. 143 overall player in the nation by Blue Star while being ranked as the No. 25 guard in the country by ESPN. A third-team Colorado Class 5A all-state selection at Rampart High School as a junior, Eliely averaged 16.4 points, 4.3 rebounds, 2.5 assists, 2.7 steals and 1.2 blocks per game on her way to first-team All-Colorado

