Hartford Public's Camby Parade All-American

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FULL TEXT

Hartford Public High School senior Marcus Camby has been named a fourth-team Parade All-American. Camby, 18, a 6-foot-10 center, is averaging 22.3 points for the Owls (16-0), ranked No. 1 in The Courant's state coaches poll.

He was among 40 players from 20 states selected by the magazine's panel of college coaches and scouts. Virginia had five players on the four teams, the most of any state.

The players will be featured in Sunday's issue.

"Considering I didn't play for almost two years, this is great," Camby said Sunday.

"This is something I never expected."

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He has signed a letter of intent to play at the University of Massachusetts.

"I wouldn't say it's unexpected," Hartford Public coach Stan Piorkowski said of Camby's selection to the team. "I think he's one of the best high school basketball players in the country.

"The only part that's a little surprising is that the scouts and coaches recognized him as a senior. Some of the players are recognized as juniors."

The last state player honored by the magazine was Danbury High's Anthony Harris, who was named to the team in 1990 and '91. Harris, a guard, attends Syracuse, where he is redshirting this season

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