

Student Standout De'Aaron Fox



Fast Facts about De'Aaron Fox

- 2015-2016 Gatorade Texas Boys Basketball Player of the Year
- Invited to play in the McDonald's All American Games
- Averaged 32.4 points, 7.7 rebounds, 4.2 assists, 2.7 steals, and 1.6 blocks per game
- Plays guard position for the Cy Lakes Spartans
- Signed to play for University of Kentucky
- Nicknamed "the General" by Kentucky's coach John Calipari



McDonald's owner/operator Joseph Wymer presents Fox with a plaque recognizing his selection as a McDonald's All American

Cy Lakes senior becomes Texas basketball player of the year

Written by Kirsten Cornell | Photography courtesy of Cy-Fair ISD

Shuffling around the basketball court at the age of 4, De'Aaron Fox already had big dreams of becoming a star athlete. Becoming a key player at Cy Lakes High School has afforded Fox many opportunities, including being chosen to play in McDonald's All American Games and being named as the 2015-2016 Gatorade Texas Boys Basketball Player of the Year.

"It's a blessing," says Fox of his recent accolades. "Being chosen out of all the players in the state and around the country for the games just shows how I've stood out from the rest."

Cy-Fair Talent

Originally from New Orleans, Fox recognizes that Cy-Fair ISD has opened doors for him that he otherwise might not have had. "There has been a lot of talent that has gone through Cy-Fair, and not just in sports. Seeing that success made me want to be the next person to do something big and represent the district on a national stage," he says.

Fox applauds the Cy Lakes program for continuing to develop their players and teaching the importance of putting in the work to develop their natural gifts. "Our coaches have taught us that even on days when you don't want to work, you still have to put forth the effort," he adds.

Being Extraordinary

Fox's efforts don't stop at the court. The son of a 20-year breast cancer survivor, Fox makes it a point to be a part of local campaigns to benefit breast cancer research and participate in annual Susan G. Komen walks. In addition, he gives back to the district that changed his path in life by serving as an elementary school mentor and motivational speaker.

He advises younger aspiring athletes to always stay humble and hungry for success. "Never get comfortable," he says. "Don't be ordinary, be extraordinary." CFM

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