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## High school girls basketball: Barnett, Morton see their efforts rewarded

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Elkhart Memorial's Brionna Barnett and Penn's Alex Morton each had sensational seasons on the hardwood this campaign.

The pair of junior standouts have been rewarded for their exceptional efforts.

Barnett and Morton both were tabbed for the Indiana Junior Girls All-Star teams Wednesday.

Barnett, a 5-6 guard, was named to the six-member Core Team. Morton, a 5-9 guard, was chosen for the North Team.

The teams, announced by the Indianapolis Star, were chosen by a committee of coaches. The squads will play the Indiana All-Stars in exhibition games June 6 and 8 at sites to be determined as preparation for the Indiana-Kentucky games on June 10-11.

Barnett, a quick, athletic, backcourt ace averaged 15.1 points-per-game for No. 2 Memorial. She led the Crimson Chargers with 53 treys (shooting 43 percent from 3-point range), while ranking second in assists and third in steals. Barnett made a verbal commitment last month to play for the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay starting in 2012.

Memorial, led by Miss Basketball candidate Akyah Taylor and Barnett, finished 23-2. The Chargers won their eighth straight Class 4-A sectional before losing to Penn, 36-34, in the regional semifinals. Taylor, who will play at Michigan State, was a member of the Core Junior team in 2010.

"Brionna is very deserving of this honor," said Memorial coach Larry Fielstra. "She's one of the best guards in the state at any level. This will be a good experience for her. It will be good exposure and a good chance for her to measure herself against the best players in the state."

"Brionna has worked hard to improve. She is a diverse player who can shoot outside as well as drive to the basket. She has very good speed too."

Morton paced Penn to a historic season. The No. 3 Kingsmen finished as Class 4-A state runner-up to cap a 23-2 season. Penn lost 43-29 to Jeffersonville Saturday in its first-ever trip to the State Finals. The Kingsmen also won the Northern Indiana Conference title at 8-0 for the second straight year.

Morton, a smooth inside-outside threat, averaged a team-high 14.2 ppg. She also averaged a team-high 3.2 assists per game to go with 4.0 rebounds per outing while shooting 50 percent overall from the field (including 57 percent on two-point field goals) with a team-best 25 treys.

"It's a great honor for Alex," said Penn coach Kristi Kaniewski. "It just speaks to her value to our team. Alex is an outstanding team player. She's just very unselfish."

Morton, who was a first-team All-NIC selection this season, is undecided on college.



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**Elkhart Memorial's Brionna Barnett earned a spot on the Indiana Junior All-Star core team.**  
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Named to the Core team with Barnett were Blair Langlois (Carmel), Raveen Murray (Merrillville), Miracle Woods (Fort Wayne Luers), Lakin Roland (Jeffersonville) and Jessica Rupright (Norwell).

The North team includes Morton, along with Jordin Alexander (Hamilton Southeastern), Katie Brewer (Roncalli), Akilah Sims (Fort Wayne Snider), Courtney Kvachkoff (Crown Point) and Nicole Rogers (Western).

The South team is comprised of Jessica Brown (Mt. Vernon), Kasey Johnson (Plainfield), Amanda Moore (Seymour), Jocelyn Mousty (Eastern Pekin), Jalynn McClain (Jeffersonville) and Nyla Rueter (Hagerstown).

Coaches for the Junior All-Stars will be Mike Hamacher (Hobart), Doug Springer (Northridge) and Karla Rieckers (Brownstown Central).

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