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TURKEY BUCKET NEWS AND NOTES

This year's Turkey Bucket was smaller in numbers but **mighty in talent**. Thanksgiving weekend is one of the busiest weekends of the year but that didn't

stop **some of Big Leaf's top teams** from squaring off with some of the westside's better programs, along with three top teams from across the border in Pennsylvania.

With Covid and scheduling woes throwing an early wrench into the initial slate, Big Leaf pivoted to a four-game pool play awarding championships to teams that finish a perfect 4-0. Among them were the **KENSTON LADY BOMBERS** using their **size and saviness** to fend off the pesky Mustangs from Grand Valley. **LONNIE BURTON** continued their dominance by **defeating four solid programs** by an

average of 21.5 points. In the 5th/6th Boys division both the 5th grade **SOLOM RUNNERS** Blue and 6th grade **EASTLAKE RANGERS** finished the weekend also

going perfect beating the Erie Rams and 6th Grade Riverside Gold in two close games. Finally in the 4th grade, both **GLENOAK** and the **ERIE RAMS** finished **unblemished**. For Erie, it did not come easy, as they knocked off Fairview Park in a thriller to close out Sunday's action.

Big Leaf Basketball has already decided to **move the Turkey Bucket in 2022 up a week earlier** to accommodate teams with families traveling over the holiday and their busy schedules. Up next is the Jingle Bucket - **we hope to see you all there**.



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6TH GRADE GIRLS DIVISION

| 6th Grade Girls | W | L | PA | PD |
|-----------------|---|---|----|-----|
| Kenston | 3 | 0 | 35 | 47 |
| Grand Valley | 2 | 1 | 51 | 12 |
| Riverside | 1 | 2 | 67 | -23 |
| Berkshire | 0 | 3 | 70 | -36 |



AROUND THE TURKEY

4TH GRADE BOYS DIVISION



| 4th Grade Boys | W | L | PA | PD |
|-------------------------------|---|---|-----|-----|
| Erie Rams | 4 | 0 | 69 | 57 |
| GlenOak Green | 4 | 0 | 89 | 93 |
| Riverside Black | 3 | 1 | 68 | 19 |
| Fairview Park | 3 | 1 | 83 | 38 |
| North Ridgeville Rangers—Blue | 3 | 1 | 105 | -11 |
| Shaker Heights | 2 | 2 | 91 | -12 |
| Riverside Gold | 2 | 2 | 86 | 10 |
| Streetsboro | 1 | 3 | 117 | -51 |
| Solon Runners Blue | 1 | 3 | 136 | -34 |
| Chesterland | 0 | 2 | 73 | -30 |
| Chardon | 0 | 4 | 110 | -36 |
| Tremont | 0 | 4 | 121 | -33 |

5TH/6TH GRADE BOYS DIVISION



| 5/6 GradeBoys | W | L | PA | PD |
|------------------------|---|---|-----|------|
| Eastlake | 4 | 0 | 65 | 84 |
| Solon Runners Blue | 4 | 0 | 83 | 82 |
| Streetsboro | 3 | 1 | 75 | 57 |
| Cardinal | 3 | 1 | 136 | 5 |
| Riverside Gold | 2 | 2 | 87 | 67 |
| Fairview Park Warriors | 2 | 2 | 97 | 39 |
| Erie Rams | 2 | 2 | 109 | 17 |
| Perry Pirates | 2 | 2 | 125 | -17 |
| West Geauga | 1 | 3 | 120 | -52 |
| Chagrin Tigers | 1 | 3 | 136 | -47 |
| Berkshire | 0 | 4 | 177 | -93 |
| Avon Lake Maroon | 0 | 4 | 188 | -142 |

BULLY BUCKET



6TH GRADE BOYS DIVISION

| 3rd Grade Boys | W | L | PD | PA |
|----------------------|---|---|-----|-----|
| Lonnie Burton Braves | 4 | 0 | 102 | 86 |
| Riverside Black | 3 | 1 | 98 | 30 |
| Kenston Bombers | 3 | 1 | 116 | 34 |
| T.Y.A. Trojans | 2 | 2 | 119 | 12 |
| Tremont | 1 | 3 | 123 | -9 |
| Perry Pirates | 1 | 3 | 148 | -78 |
| Chagrin Falls Tigers | 0 | 4 | 158 | -75 |



TURKEY BUCKET 6TH GIRLS



KENSTON BOMBERS

AGE 12
HEIGHT

FAVORITE TEAM
Cleveland Cavaliers

FAVORITE PLAYER
Steph Curry

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME
Roblox

FAVORITE TV SHOW
Liv and Maddie

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT
Spending time with my dogs!

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT
Florida

FAVORITE YOUTUBER
David Dobrek

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED
Lacrosse, Volleyball and Tennis

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?
Med school

OTHER FUN NOTE?
I like math, baking and pickle ball



KENSTON BOMBERS

AGE 12
HEIGHT 5'4"

FAVORITE TEAM
Cleveland Cavaliers

FAVORITE PLAYER
Sue Bird

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME
Minecraft

FAVORITE TV SHOW
Brooklyn 9-9

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT
Playing soccer

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT
France

FAVORITE COLOR
Royal blue

FAVORITE YOUTUBER
Mr. Beast

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED
Soccer

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?
Being a physical therapist or athletic trainer



RIVERSIDE

AGE 11
HEIGHT 5'5"

FAVORITE TEAM
Hornets, Hawks and Bucks

FAVORITE PLAYER
Trae Young and LaMelo Ball

FAVORITE TV SHOW
The Last Dance, Basketball or Nothing and Last Chance U

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT
Spending time with my friends

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT
Spain

FAVORITE YOUTUBER
Baylen Levine

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED
Track

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?
Finishing college then playing basketball overseas or in US

OTHER FUN NOTE?
I'm a former figure skater. I have a passion for basketball and always working hard. I hangout with my friends on the weekend and love to goof around.

ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM



AGE **11**
HEIGHT **5'1"**

FAVORITE TEAM

The Ohio State Buckeyes Football Team

FAVORITE PLAYER

Chris Olave, tOSU

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

Super Mario Kart

FAVORITE MOVIE

Horror Movie: Eli

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

I love playing softball and hanging out with my best friends.

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Outer Banks, North Carolina

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

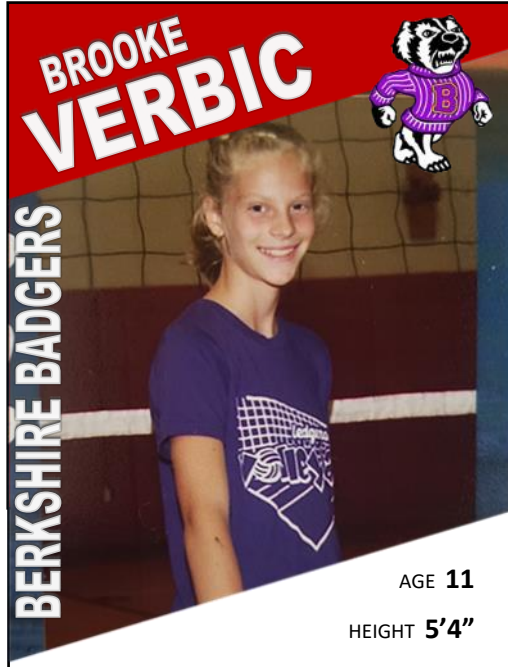
Travel Softball

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

I see myself striving to have success in college playing college softball!

OTHER FUN NOTE?

I love science and I love watching the NFL with my dad!



AGE **11**
HEIGHT **5'4"**

FAVORITE TEAM

Kansas City Chiefs

FAVORITE PLAYER

Travis Kelce

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

Fortnite

FAVORITE TV SHOW

Bella and the Bulldogs

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Talking on the phone

FAVORITE COLOR

Yellow

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

None

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Softball and Volleyball

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

College



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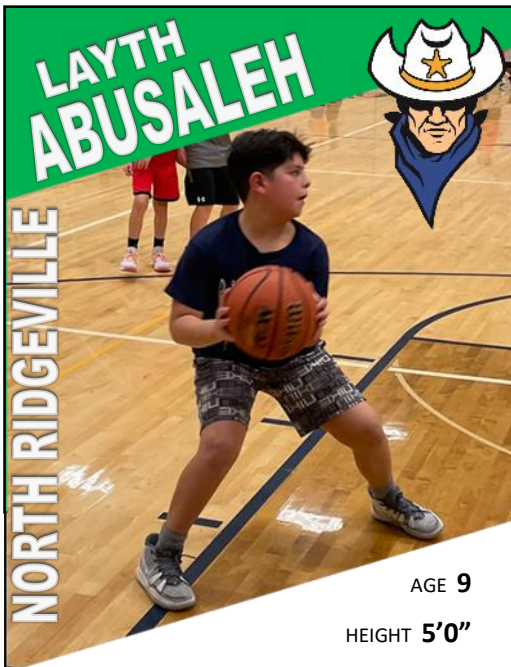


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TURKEY BUCKET 4TH BOYS



AGE 9
HEIGHT 5'0"

FAVORITE TEAM
Milwaukee Bucks

FAVORITE PLAYER
Anthony Davis

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME
Madden 2k21

FAVORITE TV SHOW
The Loud House

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT
Swimming

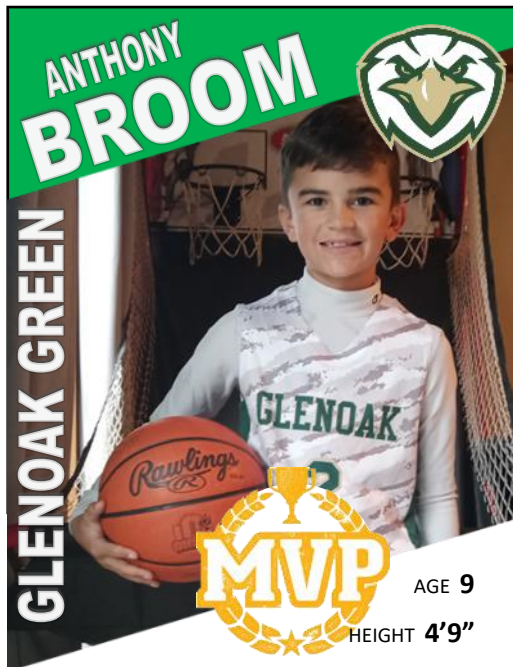
FAVORITE VACATION SPOT
Hollywood Beach, Florida

FAVORITE YOUTUBER
Mr. Beast

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED
Soccer

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?
Going to Berlin, Germany, for engineering program

OTHER FUN NOTE?
I love snow tobogganing



AGE 9
HEIGHT 4'9"

FAVORITE TEAM
North Carolina

FAVORITE PLAYER
Steph Curry

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME
NBA2K

FAVORITE TV SHOW
Rampage

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT
Playing baseball

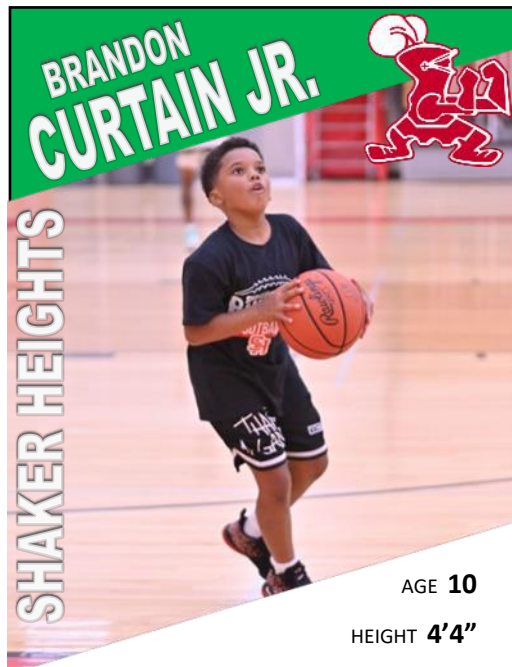
FAVORITE VACATION SPOT
Outer Banks

FAVORITE COLOR
Blue

FAVORITE YOUTUBER
Mr. Beast

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED
Baseball

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?
Playing sports in high school



AGE 10
HEIGHT 4'4"

FAVORITE TEAM
Cleveland Cavaliers

FAVORITE PLAYER
Ja Morant

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME
Madden

FAVORITE MOVIE
Black Panther

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT
Football

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT
Florida

FAVORITE YOUTUBER
King of the 4th Quarter

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED
Football

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?
College

OTHER FUN NOTE?
I love going to jump parks!

ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM



RIVERSIDE GOLD

ANDREW
KARABA



AGE 10

HEIGHT 4'9"

FAVORITE TEAM

Los Angeles Lakers

FAVORITE PLAYER

Kobe Bryant

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

Roblox

FAVORITE MOVIE

Blind Side

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Play video games

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Florida

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

SB737

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

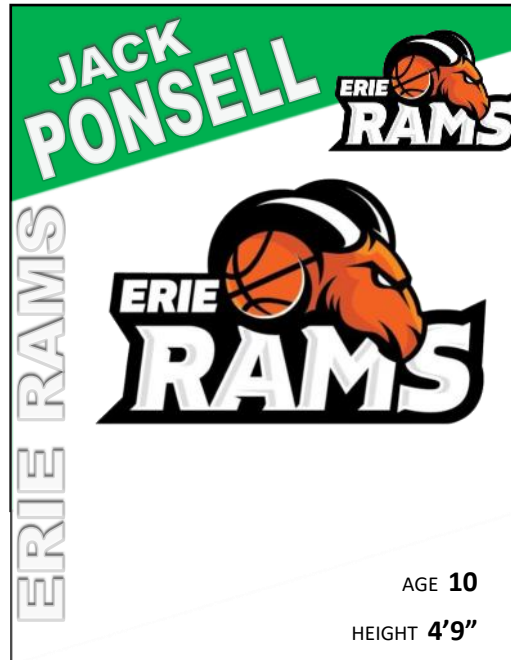
Football

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

At college playing basketball

OTHER FUN NOTE?

I enjoy riding 4-wheelers and having friends over



ERIE RAMS

JACK
PONSELL



AGE 10

HEIGHT 4'9"

FAVORITE TEAM

Los Angeles Lakers

FAVORITE PLAYER

Steph Curry

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

Madden 22

FAVORITE TV SHOW

NFL Red Zone

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Hanging with friends

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Florida

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

Eli Mack

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Baseball and Football

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

Ohio State playing basketball and football

OTHER FUN NOTE?

I have SIX sisters!



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TURKEY BUCKET 5/6 BOYS



ERIE RAMS

BENJAMIN DOUGHERTY



AGE 11

HEIGHT 4'10"

FAVORITE TEAM

Golden State Warriors

FAVORITE PLAYER

Steph Curry

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

I'm not allowed to game. I don't even own a gaming system!

FAVORITE TV MOVIE

Happy Gilmore

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Hang out with my family

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Disney

FAVORITE COLOR

Orange

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

Don't watch YouTube

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Football and Baseball

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

Attending college at Penn State University



PERRY PIRATES

CLAY FRENCH



AGE 11

HEIGHT 5'2"

FAVORITE TEAM

Ohio State

FAVORITE PLAYER

Magic Johnson

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

Madden 22

FAVORITE TV SHOW

Anything on ESPN

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Playing baseball

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Yellowstone

FAVORITE COLOR

Blue

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

Mr. Beast

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Football and Baseball

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

In the MLB



STREETSBORO ROCKETS

CAYDEN LEVERT



AGE 11

HEIGHT 5'2"

FAVORITE TEAM

Los Angeles Lakers

FAVORITE PLAYER

Tyler Herro

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

Madden 22

FAVORITE TV SHOW

All American

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Hang out with friends

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Myrtle Beach

FAVORITE COLOR

Green

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

Duke Dennis

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Football

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

Going to the NFL or NBA

ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM



CARDINAL HUSKIES

KANNON STREVER



AGE 12

HEIGHT 4'11"

FAVORITE TEAM

Cleveland Browns

FAVORITE PLAYER

Denzel Ward

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

Call of Duty Warzone

FAVORITE MOVIE

High School Musical the Musical the Series

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Play outside

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Cedar Point

FAVORITE COLOR

Blue

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

Clix

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Baseball, Football and Wrestling

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

Playing sports in college



SOLON RUNNERS BLUE

JULIAN SWEENEY



AGE 10

HEIGHT 4'8"

FAVORITE TEAM

Cleveland Cavaliers

FAVORITE PLAYER

Kyrie Irving

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

Fortnite

FAVORITE TV SHOW

Gridiron Gang

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Play video games

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Outer Banks

FAVORITE COLOR

Black

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

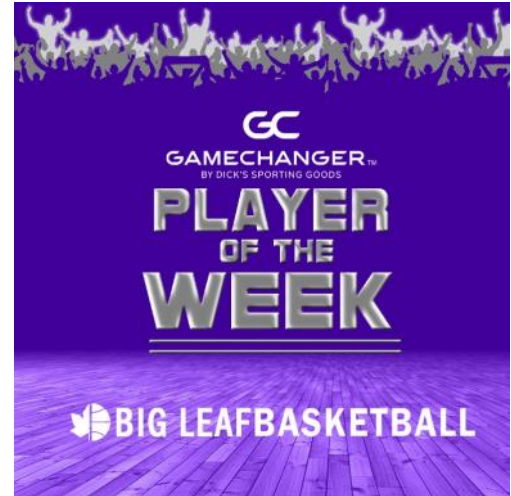
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OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Soccer

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

Playing pro basketball or soccer



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TURKEY BUCKET 6TH BOYS



BOBBY JACKSON JR.

TREMONT GRINDERS

AGE 11
HEIGHT 5'6"

FAVORITE TEAM

Cleveland Cavaliers

FAVORITE PLAYER

Kevin Durant

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

NBA2K22 and Madden 22

FAVORITE TV MOVIE

Rush Hour 2

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Spend time with family

FAVORITE COLOR

Red

FAVORITE COLOR

Orange

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

n/a

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Football

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

In the NBA



MARLIN JACKSON

LONGNIE BURTON BRAVES



AGE 11
HEIGHT 5'0"

FAVORITE TEAM

Los Angeles Lakers

FAVORITE PLAYER

Derrick Rose

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

Fortnight

FAVORITE TV SHOW

None

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Playstation

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Florida

FAVORITE COLOR

Blue

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

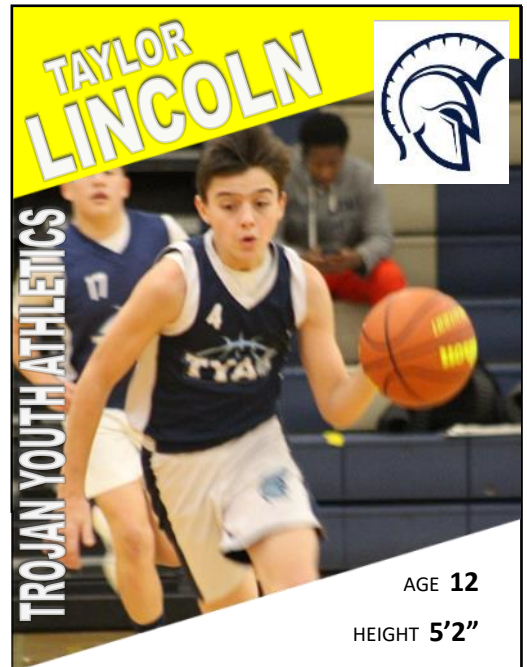
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OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Football

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

In the NBA



TAYLOR LINCOLN

TROJAN YOUTH ATHLETICS



AGE 12
HEIGHT 5'2"

FAVORITE TEAM

Green Bay Packers

FAVORITE PLAYER

Aaron Rogers

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

Warzone

FAVORITE TV SHOW

All American

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Play golf

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Wisconsin

FAVORITE COLOR

Purple

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

Baylen Levine

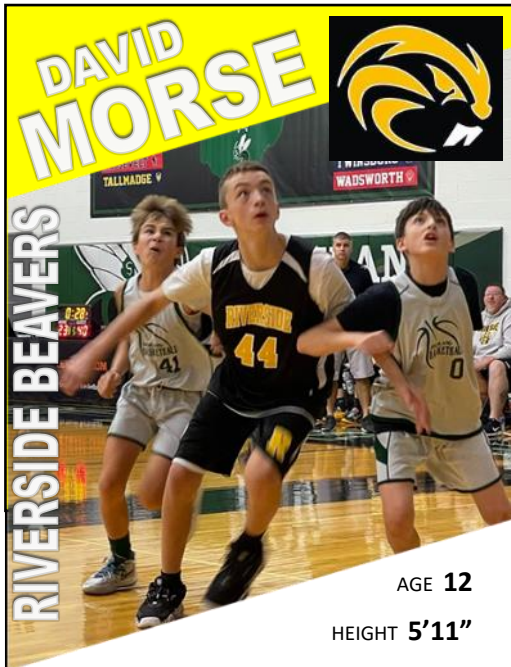
OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Football, Golf, Soccer

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

In the NBA

ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM



DAVID MORSE



RIVERSIDE BEAVERS

AGE 12

HEIGHT 5'11"

FAVORITE TEAM

Cleveland Browns

FAVORITE PLAYER

Nick Chubb

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

None

FAVORITE TV SHOW

Forensic Files

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Play outside

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Bahamas

FAVORITE COLOR

Orange

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

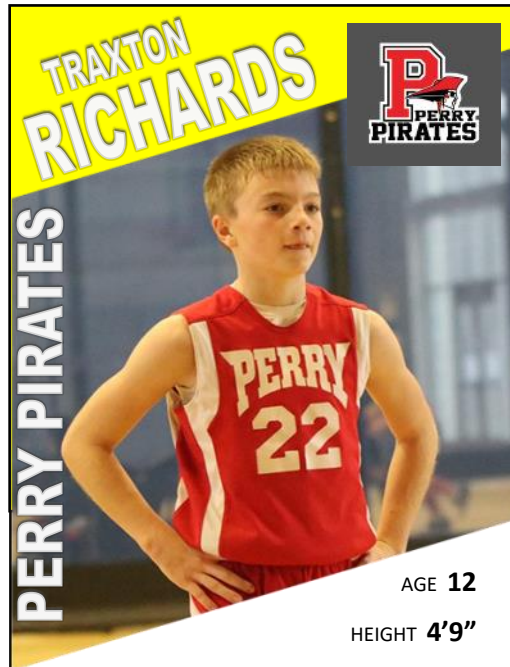
Matthias

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Football and Soccer

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

NFL Tight End



TRAXTON RICHARDS



PERRY PIRATES

AGE 12

HEIGHT 4'9"

FAVORITE TEAM

Cleveland Cavaliers

FAVORITE PLAYER

Steph Curry

FAVORITE VIDEO GAME

Minecraft

FAVORITE TV SHOW

Friends

FAVORITE ACTIVITY AWAY FROM THE COURT

Play football

FAVORITE VACATION SPOT

Bandi Beach, Australia

FAVORITE YOUTUBER

Mr. Beast

OTHER SPORTS PLAYED

Football, Baseball and Golf

WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 10 YEARS?

Pole vaulting in college

OTHER FUN NOTE?

I am the youngest and have three older brothers



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AMAZING
HIGHLIGHTS!



▲ Perry Pirates 6th grader Traxton Richards drives to the hoop on his way to the Turkey Bucket All Tourney team.



◀ Coaches, parents, teammates all love to see it! All out effort. All weekend long. All over the place!



▲ .Riverside Gold's big man, Mike Volpe, grabs the board and looks to make a quick outlet pass against West Geauga in 5th/6th grade action.



▲ A view from up top at the Martin Fieldhouse for the 6th grade girls consolation match where Riverside edged out Berkshire 16-14.



◀ Fifth grade Turkey Bucket MVP Julian Sweeney dazzled the fans throughout the weekend. Keep an eye on this guy!



▲ Solon Runners 4th grader Curtis McClure Jr. is off and running after he picks the pocket of Glenoak and finishes

▼ Shaker's Melvin Johns III plays tough D against Riverside Gold in a barnburner at Garfield Heights High. Shaker squeaked away with a 20-19 victory.



▲ Benjamin Dougherty of the 5th grade Erie Rams finishes a nice drive to the basket during a tough 34-23 loss to Eastlake.



▲ Kenston and Grand Valley 6th graders square off on Championship Sunday with Kenston walking away with a 24-12 win at Hiram College.



▲ North Ridgeville exhales and smiles after winning three nail biters and putting up a good fight against the 4th grade champs, Glenoak.



▲ Sixth grade girls Grand Valley and Kenston tip off at Martin Fieldhouse at Hiram College in the first of two competitive matchups between two tough teams.

▶ We'd be all smiles too if we had a weekend like Streetsboro's Cayden Levert did in dominating the 5th grade boys division and making the Turkey Bucket All Tournament team.



▲ Trojan Youth Athletics finishes off an inbounds pass in back-and-forth matchup that Kenston eventually won 36-31 in 6th grade action.



▼ One of the biggest things Big Leaf is thankful for... our amazing refs!



◀ Rule #1 of youth basketball... It's not a real if there's not a pileup. There were more than a few tie-ups for possession throughout the weekend.



▲ Glenoak coach Beau Broom talks strategy with his 4th grade team on the way to an impressive 4-0 record and co-championship.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

A very special Big Leaf thank you to Kerry Sitarski for providing SO many amazing shots that you can find throughout this Turkey Bucket roundup and this week's Full Court Press. If you want to see your players on these pages then please send us your pictures to bigleafsocialmedial@gmail.com.

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