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La Lumiere Student Athletes Sign to Play Division I College Basketball

La Porte, Ind. – November 16, 2011– Six La Lumiere student-athletes put pen to paper November 9th and formally signed to play Division I basketball.

Jay Simpson and Raphael Davis signed with Purdue University, Hanner Perea signed with Indiana University, Antonio Drummond will play for Southern Illinois University, and Obij Aget heads south to The University of New Mexico.



Jay Simpson, Obij Aget, Antonio Drummond, Raphael Davis and Hanner Perea

Coach Huss on the players, “Hanner, Bobo, and Obij were essential in laying the foundation for successful basketball at La Lumiere School. They are hardworking young men who truly want to be successful on and off the court. Jay and Rapheal are much newer to the program, but they have already made in impact on La Lumiere Basketball. All five young men will enter college ready to succeed on the court and in the classroom. They are a mature group that is ready to take the next step in their basketball careers.”

Antonio “Bobo” Drummond is a 5’11 point guard from Peoria, IL. Drummond started 29 out of 31 games as a Junior at La Lumiere. He led the team in assists and steals and was second in scoring. In addition, Drummond was a team captain. “Bobo is a true leader on the floor. He is tough with the basketball and values winning over anything else. Also, Bobo has developed into an excellent perimeter shooter.”

Hanner Perea is a 6’9 power forward from Istmina, Colombia. Perea led the Lakers in scoring and rebounding as a junior. Perea is ranked 16 in the nation by Rivals.com. Perea started all 31 games as a junior. Already a **youtube** legend, Perea has developed into a sound basketball player. “Hanner has matured both on and off the court in the past year. He is a solid leader and is taking pride in being a fundamental basketball player.”

Obij Aget is a 7'0 center from Juba, South Sudan. Obij started the last 24 games as a junior. He was second on the team in rebounding and led the team in blocked shots. "Obij came on extremely strong the latter part of last season. His emergence gave us a true presence on the interior. Obij is the most consistent worker I've ever had the opportunity to coach."

Jay Simpson is a 6'9 power forward from Champaign, IL. "Jay is a talented face up four man that has the ability to play inside out. His vision and basketball feel are absolutely off the charts. Jay is in the process of transforming his body. When he completes the transformation, he will be an extraordinary player."

Rapheal Davis is a 6'5 power guard from Fort Wayne, IN. "Rapheal brings toughness, consistency, physical strength, and a true knack for scoring the basketball to La Lumiere. Rapheal scores the ball in a variety of ways and we think he has the ability to be a lock down defender as well. Rapheal is a top notch student and very mature."

In addition to the five men heading to play college ball, Brooke Gardner, a 5'10 point guard signed on to join the Youngstown State Penguins. La Lumiere women's basketball coach Don Brooks had this to say about Brooke, "Brooke is an outstanding point guard. Her ball handling skills are terrific and she is a natural leader and team player. She has the ability to inspire our other players to rise to the occasion. We are looking forward to this season."



Brooke Gardner

About La Lumiere School

La Lumiere School is a co-educational, independent boarding and day secondary school providing a college-preparatory education based in character, scholarship and faith. Our rigorous education, personal relationships, and focus on values create a rich learning environment for students. They are known by faculty, staff and other students from all grades. This familiarity enables our students to make lasting connections, engage in academics, participate socially and define their path. Founded in the Catholic tradition in 1963, the student body consists of over 200 students from a rich diversity of backgrounds. It is situated on a beautiful rural estate, 25 miles west of South Bend, 60 miles east of Chicago, and 8 miles from both La Porte and New Buffalo. La Lumiere School is accredited by the Independent Schools Association of the Central States (ISACS) and the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA).

More information about La Lumiere School can be found at www.lalumiere.org

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