

Scouting The Future

High School Ball Player With The Heart of a Superstar

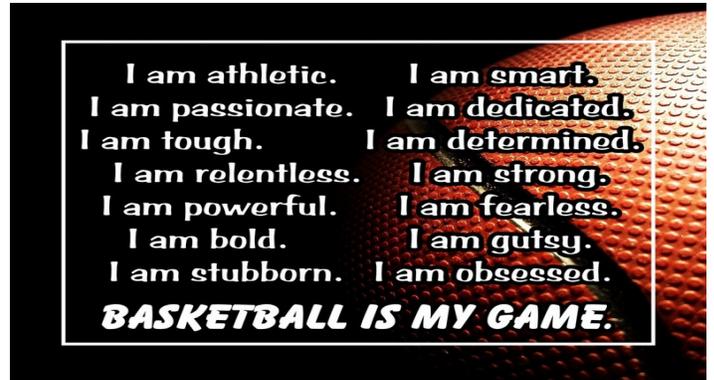
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In this month's issue of Scouting the Future, we are looking at an eighteen-year-old basketball player from New York City. Timothy Churches, a current senior at Bronx Buildlife High, has played on his school's basketball team for all four years of his high school career and has been captain of the team for the last two years. Timothy is currently being scouted by some of the best college basketball teams in the country, with many scouts claiming he is ready for the NBA. According to Timothy's official State-Wide Highschool Basketball Stats (SWHBS), he averages way above the normal level of points per game, sitting at a 41.3 average. Even his in his freshman year, the percentage was still pretty high at an astounding 38.7 average points per game. According to Timothy's coach Bill Razer, Timothy has never missed a practice and even puts in extra hours at the high school's weight room to stay in physical shape. When asked if he believes Timothy has what it takes to compete at a higher level than high school basketball, Coach Razer said, "that kid has what it takes to compete in professional basketball. His dedication is like nothing I have ever seen from any of my students before." Razer went on to say that Timothy has skipped out on family vacations to make it to summer practice to be sure he is fully prepared for the new season. Basketball is no stranger to Timothy as he has the NBA in his blood. His grandfather, Austin Churches, is a four-time NBA championship winner and Hall of Famer from the New York Pigeon's, and his uncle is the starting center on the New York Roaches. Some have stated that Timothy has an unfair advantage due to being related to two NBA superstars. However, many professional college coaches have

Timothy, on top of his crazy workout routine, has restricted what his body's food source is. He eats a variety of different greens along with chicken breasts and less than a cup of any carbs daily. When asked why he restricts himself to such a strict food diet while being so young, his response was, **"Food is fuel for the body. Like a car without the correct fuel, it would be impossible to function. My diet allows me to function at a higher level than those I go up against."** Overall it is clear from his stats, dedication, and accolades from many professionals within the basketball community that he has what it takes to go big. As always, with our selected scout of the month, we asked Timothy if there was any advice he could give to anyone that may one day be in his shoes, and he responded elegantly. "You need to believe in yourself and stop at nothing to achieve your goals. There will always be people telling you that you won't make it. Push all that negativity away and make a positive platform for yourself. If you take yourself seriously and treat your dreams as more than just dreams, then others will follow your lead." We at Youthful Sports Magazine look forward to seeing what Timothy does in his future. Join us next month as we bring you the story of a blind sixteen-year-old girl who is swimming her way to the Olympics. Stay sharp, readers!



made it known that Timothy has more than proven that he has what it takes and has left it up to no one but himself.



“My grandfather and uncle are huge influences on my life but I’m not working to be like them I am working to be better. I am not looking to follow in their footsteps I am looking to pass where they currently stand.”
Quote from Timothy Churches

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