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## Holt makes final list for State Farm All-America 10-member team is the oldest and most prestigious in women's basketball

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**MURFREESBORO, Tenn.** - Middle Tennessee senior **Amber Holt** has been named a regional finalist for the State Farm Coaches' All-America Team, as announced by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) this week.

Holt is a finalist in Region 5 along with six players from the Big 12 and one other player from the Sun Belt Conference. Holt leads the nation in scoring for the 10th consecutive week and was named a First Team All-American by CBSsports.com earlier this week, the only First Team All-American in program history.

The WBCA, in cooperation with State Farm, announced the 52 regional finalists Wednesday for the 2008 State Farm Coaches' All-America Basketball Team for the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I. The selection committee will review these 52 candidates and cut the list to 40 finalists on Thursday, March 20. The 40 finalists will all be in the running for selection to the 10-member State Farm Coaches' All-America Team.


In an effort to establish a fair number of candidates from each region, an equation to determine the number of regional nominees was formulated. The total number of Division I institutions in each region is divided by the total number of Division I institutions from around the nation to get a percentage for each region. Multiply 52 (the total number of desired finalists) by the percentage to get a total number of finalists for each region. The 52 regional finalists then go before the selection committee where the list is reduced to 40 finalists. These 40 finalists may come from any region.

The State Farm Coaches' All-America Basketball Team for NCAA Division I will be announced at the State Farm Coaches' All-America Team Press Conference at the Tampa Hyatt Regency on April 5, at 9:45 a.m. (ET) in Tampa, Fla.

### Region I

Matee Ajavon, Rutgers, SR, G, 5-8  
 Kimberly Beck, George Washington, SR, G, 5-8  
 Essence Carson, Rutgers, SR, G, 6-0  
 Tina Charles, Connecticut, SO, C, 6-3  
 Angel McCoughtry, Louisville, JR, F, 6-1  
 Renee Montgomery, Connecticut, JR, G, 5-7  
 Maya Moore, Connecticut, FR, F, 6-0  
 Epiphanny Prince, Rutgers, SO, G, 5-9  
 Olayinka Sanni, West Virginia, SR, C, 6-2  
 Mercedes Walker, Pittsburgh, SR, C, 6-3



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**Region 2**

Chante Black, Duke, JR, C, 6-5  
 Crystal Langhorne, Maryland, SR, C, 6-2  
 Erlana Larkins, North Carolina, SR, F, 6-1  
 LaToya Pringle, North Carolina, SR, F/C, 6-3  
 Kristi Toliver, Maryland, JR, G, 5-7  
 Khadijah Whittington, N.C. State, SR, F, 6-1  
 Monica Wright, Virginia, SO, G, 5-11

**Region 3**

Alex Anderson, Chattanooga, SR, F, 6-1  
 DeWanna Bonner, Auburn, JR, G/F, 6-4  
 Sylvia Fowles, LSU, SR, C, 6-6  
 Alexis Hornbuckle, Tennessee, SR, G, 5-11  
 Tasha Humphrey, Georgia, SR, F, 6-3  
 Candace Parker, Tennessee, SR, F, 6-4  
 Christina Wirth, Vanderbilt, JR, G/F, 6-1

**Region 4**

Kate Achter, Bowling Green, SR, G, 5-7  
 Tiera DeLaHoussaye, Western Michigan, JR, G, 5-6  
 Ashley Hayes, Murray State, JR, F, 5-10  
 Amanda Jackson, Miami (OH), SR, G, 5-9  
 Lauren Kohn, Ohio Univ., SR, G, 5-11  
 Natasha Lacy, UTEP, SR, G, 5-11  
 Diamond Rogers, UAB, SR, G/F, 5-11

**Region 5**

Danielle Gant, Texas A&M, JR, G/F, 5-11  
**Amber Holt, Middle Tennessee, SR, F, 6-0**  
 Crystal Kelly, Western Kentucky, SR, F, 6-3  
 Shalee Lehning, Kansas State, JR, G, 5-9  
 Courtney Paris, Oklahoma, JR, C, 6-4  
 Andrea Riley, Oklahoma State, SO, G, 5-5  
 Takia Sparks, Texas A&M, JR, G, 5-8  
 Angela Tisdale, Baylor, SR, G, 5-7

**Region 6**

Jolene Anderson, Wisconsin, SR, G, 5-8  
 Kristi Cirone, Illinois State, JR, G, 5-8  
 Jantel Lavender, Ohio State, FR, C, 6-4  
 Jenna Smith, Illinois, SO, C, 6-3  
 Kristi Smith, Iowa, JR, G, 5-6

**Region 7**

Natalie Doma, Idaho State, SR, C, 6-3  
 Leilani Mitchell, Utah, SR, G, 5-5  
 Mandy Morales, Montana, JR, G, 5-9  
 Hanna Zavec, Wyoming, SR, F, 6-0

**Region 8**

Jayne Appel, Stanford, SO, C, 6-4  
 Devanei Hampton, California, JR, F/C, 6-3  
 Ashley Walker, California, JR, F, 6-1  
 Candice Wiggins, Stanford, SR, G, 5-10

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### **About the WBCA**

Founded in 1981, the WBCA promotes women's basketball by unifying coaches at all levels to develop a reputable identity for the sport and to foster and promote the development of the game as a sport for women and girls. For additional information about the WBCA, please visit [wbca.org](http://wbca.org).

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