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## THE PRESEASON LOU HENSON AWARD WATCH LIST

BOSTON, MA -- The 2020-21 Lou Henson Award preseason watch list was announced on Tuesday.

The Lou Henson National Player of the Year Award, which is presented annually to the top mid-major player in division I college basketball, honors the former Illinois and New Mexico State head coach who won 775 games in 41 seasons.

The award is named after Lou Henson who is the winningest coach in Illinois basketball history with 423 victories. During his 21 seasons (1975-1996), Henson led the Fighting Illini to 16 postseason appearances, including 12 NCAA tournaments and a Final Four appearance in 1989.

Henson, who is also the all-time winningest coach in New Mexico State history with 289 victories, is one of

only 11 coaches to take two different schools to the NCAA Final Four. His teams have made 19 NCAA appearances and four NIT appearances.

Players on teams from the following conferences are eligible for the award: America East, Atlantic Sun, Big Sky, Big South, Big West, Colonial, Horizon, Ivy, Metro Atlantic, Mid-American, Mid-Eastern, Missouri Valley, Northeast, Ohio Valley, Patriot, Southern, Southland, Southwestern, Summit, Sun Belt, West Coast.

#### **LOU HENSON AWARD PRESEASON WATCH LIST**

Jordyn Adams	6-3	So.	Austin Peay
Ahsan Asadullah	6-8	Jr.	Lipscomb
Jamaree Bouyea	6-2	Sr.	San Francisco
Jomaru Brown	6-2	Jr.	Eastern Kentucky
Tevin Brown	6-5	Jr.	Murray State
D.J. Burns Jr.	6-9	So.	Winthrop
Elijah Childs	6-7	Sr.	Bradley
Zach Cooks	5-9	Sr.	NJIT
Loren Cristian Jackson	5-8	Sr.	Akron
Antoine Davis	6-1	Jr.	Detroit Mercy
Jacob Davison	6-4	Sr.	Eastern Washington
Kessler Edwards	6-7	Sr.	Pepperdine
Ishmael El-Amin	6-1	Sr.	Ball State
Mason Faulkner	6-1	Sr.	Western Carolina
Phlandrous Fleming	6-4	Sr.	Charleston Southern
AJ Green	6-4	Jr.	Northern Iowa
Noah Gurley	6-8	Jr.	Furman
Marreon Jackson	6-1	Sr.	Toledo
Jahlil Jenkins	6-0	Sr.	Fairleigh Dickinson
DeVante Jones	6-1	Jr.	Coastal Carolina
Tyreke Key	6-3	Sr.	Indiana State
Cameron Krutwig	6-9	Sr.	Loyola Chicago
Kameron Langley	6-2	Sr.	North Carolina A&T
Javon Levi	5-11	Sr.	UT Rio Grande Valley
Matt Lewis	6-5	Sr.	James Madison
Loudon Love	6-9	Sr.	Wright State
Ezra Manjon	5-11	So.	UC Davis
Darius McGhee	5-9	Jr.	Liberty
Isaiah Miller	6-0	Sr.	UNCG
Ruot Monyyong	6-10	Sr.	Little Rock
Clay Mounce	6-7	Sr.	Furman
Grayson Murphy	6-2	Jr.	Belmont
Nick Muszynski	6-11	Jr.	Belmont
Obadiah Noel	6-4	Sr.	UMass Lowell
Markquis Nowell	5-7	Jr.	Little Rock
Roman Penn	5-11	Jr.	Drake
Rob Perry	6-4	So.	Stetson
Austin Phyfe	6-9	Jr.	Northern Iowa
Jalen Pickett	6-4	Jr.	Siena

Jason Preston	6-4	Jr.	Ohio
Darius Quisenberry	6-1	Jr.	Youngstown State
Colbey Ross	6-1	Sr.	Pepperdine
Amadou Sow	6-9	Jr.	UC Santa Barbara
Terry Taylor	6-5	Sr.	Austin Peay
Justin Turner	6-4	Sr.	Bowling Green
Josip Vrankic	6-9	Sr.	Santa Clara
Kane Williams	6-3	Sr.	Georgia State
Douglas Wilson	6-7	Sr.	South Dakota State
Mylik Wilson	6-3	So.	Louisiana
Camren Wynter	6-2	Jr.	Drexel

The Lou Henson Award is presented annually to the nation's top mid-major player in Division I. The recipient of 2020-21 award will be announced in April.

