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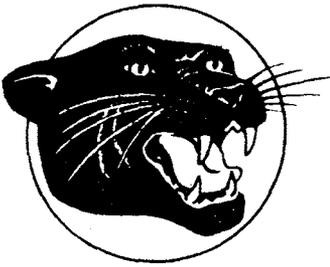
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# **Panther Sports News**

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--Dan McCaughey (pronounced McKay), a consensus Class A All-Stater from Quincy Notre Dame High School, has announced he will play his college basketball at Eastern Illinois University.

McCaughey, who signed the national letter of intent a few weeks back, is a 6-7, 190 combination forward/guard who "is the most notable recruit we signed this spring as far as his name being recognizable to prep basketball followers in this state," said EIU coach Rick Samuels.

A three year starter at Notre Dame, McCaughey was named Class A First Team All-State by the Associated Press and Second Team All-State by UPI.

He was an Illinois Basketball Coaches Association (IBCA) Second Team choice and will compete for the South Team in the summer all-star game. Three other media picked teams named him to Honorable Mention All-State lists.

He has been all-tournament the past two years at Jacksonville and Macomb holiday tournaments, and MVP at Macomb's tourney this past winter.

As a senior he averaged 16.6 points, 8.9 rebounds, five assists and shot 55%. As a junior he scored 18 points a game with eight rebounds. During his three years ND had a combined record of 70-13.

"Dan is a very versatile player with unusual abilities for someone his size," said Samuels. "He has had the opportunity to handle the ball plus probably 60-70% of the time he played facing the basket.

"He's an excellent passer and can get the ball up the floor. Right now I see him swinging for us between the forward spots and big guard but it definitely is not out of the realm of possibility that in the near future he will be our primary ball handler because of his size . . . he can really see what's happening under the basket."