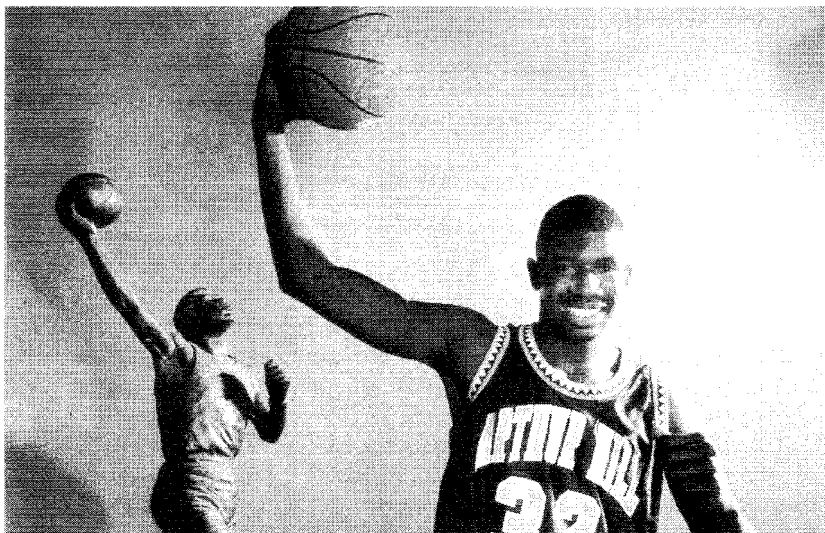


MR. BASKETBALL JASON RICHARDSON



Jason Richardson, the high flying 6-foot-6 Saginaw Arthur Hill Lumberjack, is the 1999 Mr. Basketball. BCAM members selected Richardson over the very talented LaVell Blanchard of Ann Arbor Pioneer by a vote of 741 points to 631 points.

Jason averaged over 25 ppg and almost 13 rpg. He led his team to the final game of the Class A state championship only to lose to Ann Arbor Pioneer.

"Jason is almost too good to be true," said Arthur Hill coach Dave Slaggert. "In addition to being a great basketball player, he's respectful, sincere and honest. He's the kind of kid you'd want for a baby sitter for your kids."

Richardson will be wearing the green and white of Michigan State next season. He should represent the state of Michigan and BCAM with class over the next four years.

1998-99 MR BASKETBALL BALLOTING

Jason Richardson * Saginaw Arthur Hill	741
LaVell Blanchard * Ann Arbor Pioneer	631
Aloysius Anagonye * Detroit St Martin dePorres	208
Brent Darby * River Rouge	191
T. J. Meerman * Coopersville	136
J. R. Wallace * Muskegon Reeths Puffer	117
Taylor Bro * Rockford	95
Willie Wallace * Flint Southwestern	60
Nick Moore * Redford Catholic Central	56
Kevin Lee * Lansing Everett	45