

DaRon Holmes vs Northwestern

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In Person

Physical and Personal Attributes:

Was the clear leader for his team and was visibly communicating with them and keeping them engaged in the game. He also showed good leaping ability and help defense IQ.

Offensive Skills:

Really efficient game offensively, despite being doubled teamed often in the post. He showed the ability to make jumpers from pick and pop plays, making two shots from the top of the key and the left wing. He also finished at the rim off of the pick and roll and from offensive rebounds. With 12:25 left in the second half, he caught the ball at the restricted arc, ripped through to his right hand, took one dribble and emphatically dunked over the opposing big man, who was over 7 feet tall. Holmes also did a good job of kicking the ball out to shooters in the corners when Northwestern brought help against him in the post.

Defensive Skills:

Defensively, he displayed his ability to move laterally on the perimeter, helping disrupt guards in pick and roll plays, while having the athleticism to return back to the big man once he started rolling to the paint. He also did a good job boxing out his opponent for rebounds.

Conclusion:

Effective game all around for Holmes, he surprised me with his ability to confidently take and make jumpers from the outside, while showing his ability to finish at the rim as well.