

Marcus Williams (Wyoming) 6'2 180 lbs. PG -Frosh (1/11, 1/13 vs. Boise St., 1/16 & 1/18 vs. Air Force, 1/22 & 1/24 vs. Nevada, 1/28 & 1/30 vs. San Diego St.)

Williams played at Dickinson High School in the Houston, Texas area where he played for Coach Jay Wilson. Marcus was rated as a three-star recruit by Rivals.com and was one of the top-rated guards in Texas; ranked 14th in the state by Texas Hoops and in the top 10 for his region of the greater Houston area. As a senior, Williams averaged 21.4 points, 7.3 assists and 3.9 rebounds per game. He earned First Team All-VYPE, a magazine dedicated to Houston high school sports. DHS ended their abbreviated season at 32-5 and with a trip to the 6A state final four in Texas' largest classification. AAU wise he played for Team Harden – Texas in the Adidas Gauntlet for head coach, Eric Dixon. His brother, Faite plays basketball at Prairie View A&M. Also, received offers from Stephen F Austin, Sam Houston State and North Texas.

Offensively, overall, he has had an impressive season as a true freshman. Right now, he averages 16.3 ppg and 4.1 apg, shooting 46.5 FG%, 33 3pt%, 73 FT% and his assist to turnover ratio is 1.46. At his best he shows Jamal Murray flashes and potential. He has fluid shot with a high release at times and deep range. Other times he slings it back too much and shoots short. Comfortable as the handler in PNR situations with the ability to score from mid-range or at the rim against contact. Draws a lot of fouls. Is physically very strong and plays bigger than 6'2 and it appears he has the green light to score or try and make plays. He looks to pass or make "thread the needle" type plays too much when attacking the basket and forces bad shots. Has picked up a lot of offense charges this season and overall, his decision-making needs work, but he has a good feel for the game.

Defensively, overall, he is an average defender that can contain handlers at times when he makes the effort. Doesn't get physically over-powered much in off ball screen or post-up situations. Downside is he struggles or consistently makes a lazy effort with PNR defense at times and really struggled to defend San Diego St and Nevada's guard quickness. Has good versatility potential for the PG and SG positions.

Overall, he is a very intriguing prospect. Not sure of how his recruiting went and why he was over-looked by programs like Houston, SMU or TCU. Plays like an experienced upper classman and he certainly has the confidence of the coaching staff with the minutes he is playing and the fact he has started in 16 out of their 17 games this season. I project if he continues to put up good numbers, he will probably be persuaded to enter the draft, take some pre-draft workouts if possible and get feedback. If he does well enough a team with a late 1st round pick needing a good developmental PG might take him. However, right now he looks like a good 2nd round PG prospect that should and probably will stay at Wyoming and develop for another season, etc.

NBA Positions: PG

NBA Player Comparison: Jamal Murry, Fred Van Fleet.

NBA Career Potential: Definite 2nd round to late first round developmental pick.

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