High School: Perspectives Charter School

Major: Undecided

Career/Personal Goals: Play for a high major 4 year university, and play professional basketball

Honors/Awards: Rebounder of the Year, Juco All-American, All-Conference Blue-West, All-State honorable mention.

Al Rapier was one of the most versatile players in Chicago-land in 2008, playing four positions for his high school team. He was primarily a point guard in 2008, but is projected as a wing at the college level. Rapier committed to DI University of Illinois-Chicago (UIC), but is now at Mineral Area College with several other Chicago players. Rapier was selected as the #1 player in the Blue West Conference by the Chicago Tribune in 2008. He was ranked as the #17 wing player in the area on MidStateHoops.com Final 2008 rankings. The scouting report from MidStateHoops 2008 rankings reads, “It is undeniable that the 6-5 PG/SG/SF/PF is a DI talent, and he is also a very good kid. He is smooth with the ball in his hands, athletic, and has a great feel for the game. UIC has offered early, and expect more to follow during the season.” “Al is a very solid, athletic, fundamental, strong, and versatile player. He can play three or four positions here at Mineral Area, and we expect him to be an impact freshman,” commented Corey Tate.