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## Triton College Men's Basketball Player Amar Augillard Named 2024 NJCAA Division I Men's Basketball Player of the Year



RIVER GROVE, III. – Triton College Men's Basketball player Amar Augillard was named the 2024 National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Men's Basketball Player of the Year.

The Triton Trojans finished as the national runner-up and garnered several awards March 30 at the NJCAA Division I Championship Tournament in Hutchinson, Kansas.

Augillard (sophomore, guard) posted 841 points, 168 rebounds, 87 assists, 63 steals and 20 blocks in 37 games played and started. Augillard's 841 points aided in the Trojans leading the nation in scoring with a total of 3401 points.

"I'll never forget this team," said Augillard. "Next year, I would like to win Player of Year again and keep it going until I get to the league. My goal is to become a professional basketball player."

"I'm so happy for Amar. He had big goals when he came to Triton and he has achieved them and then some," said head coach Brian Burns. "He has seized this opportunity to show what a tremendous basketball player he is. He's conducted himself as a professional on and off the

court all season. I'm beyond excited for him to pick his next spot and represent Triton College and the NJCAA in a positive light."

"Amar is a great basketball player, but most importantly a better individual," said Garrick Abezetian, Associate Vice President of Athletics. "He will go down as one of the best men's basketball players to wear a Triton uniform. I am extremely proud of him being named NJCAA Division I Player of the Year and look forward to seeing what is next in his future."

View this video for Augillard's reflections on being named Player of the Year: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V7OybkMkdtE">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V7OybkMkdtE</a>.

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