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Triton College Basketball Players Sign Division I National Letters of Intent

RIVER GROVE, Ill. – Triton College men's basketball players Keyondre Young, Ethan Pickett and Brandon Muntu each signed basketball National Letters of Intent (NLI) with Division I universities on Wednesday, Nov. 9, in the Triton College Boardroom. Head basketball coach John Clancy, President Mary-Rita Moore and fellow teammates watched with pride as the young athletes signed their contracts.

"These young men are role models, both in the classroom and on the court," said Clancy. "Our goal this year is to bring a national title back home to Triton."

Keyondre Young (6'9", guard) signed with DePaul University (Big East). Originally from Del City, Okla., Young played basketball at Valparaiso University before coming to Triton College. He is regarded as one of the top 10 junior college prospects.

"I attended Triton College because I had a great connection with the players and the coaches," Young said. "All of my hard work has paid off. I am excited to have the opportunity to play on a bigger stage."

Ethan Pickett (6'4", combo guard) signed with University of Illinois-Chicago (UIC) (Missouri Valley Conference). Before attending Triton, Pickett played basketball at Northwestern Mississippi Community College. Growing up in Pensacola, Fla., Pickett said his younger brother Evan, who passed away, had inspired him to continue playing the sport. He hopes to be a great basketball player in memory of Evan.

Pickett chose UIC because he loved the coaches and they made him feel "at home."

"I feel like a burden has been lifted off my shoulders," he said. "My childhood dream just came true."

Brandon Muntu (6'4", point guard and shooting guard) signed with Western Michigan University (MAC). Muntu grew up in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, and said that he chose to attend Western Michigan because one of the coaches there also hails from Canada. Muntu feels like he is finally taking his basketball career to the next level.

"It's been a long road, but I feel like I'm really accomplishing this dream," he said. "I feel blessed."

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