**Scouting Report – Jahlil Okafor**

Seasons: 2014 (3 evaluations) Scout: Wade Foley

Player/#:Jahlil Okafor #22 Team: Whitney Young/Jordan Brand Classic Class: 2014

Height: 6’11” Weight: 270 Position: C

Okafor has a wide-array of offensive moves and is an efficient scorer with his back to the basket. He has good footwork and a soft touch, which helps him establish position inside with ease. He showed off an array of spin moves and can finish with either hand. He’s also a great rebounder and seemed to be everywhere on the court. Okafor’s a dominant finisher and a skilled post-passer as well. He gives his opponents fits on the defensive end, and in addition to his immense physical talent, he also has a high basketball IQ.

Okafor dominated in the paint the entire time he was in the Jordan Brand Classic All-American game. He had some impressive offensive rebounds and highlight follow-up dunks. He always seems to be able to get post-position on his defender and once he receives the ball down low, he’s tough to stop. Okafor also displayed his silky-smooth spin move to finish over the opposing bigs. He and the other Duke commit, Tyus Jones, have such great chemistry together already and both put on a show. Okafor ended the game with 29 points and 9 rebounds, and was named the MVP of the East team.

Okafor is the projected first overall pick in the 2015 NBA draft. It will be a talented draft class, but it’s hard to see anyone being selected before him. He’s the most talented back-to-the-basket big man in recent memory. His quick footwork and soft touch already looks like an NBA vet and it shouldn’t take him long to adjust to the NBA.