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# Men's Basketball All-Big 12 Awards Announced

Irving, Texas - Ochai Agbaji was the unanimous selection in earning Kansas' IIth Big I2 Player of the Year honor while Baylor's Scott Drew collected his third-consecutive Big I2 Coach of the Year accolade in the 2021-22 Phillips 66 All-Big I2 men's basketball awards, chosen by the head coaches.

For the first time in Conference history, three players tied for Defensive Player of the Year as Baylor's Jonathan Tchamwa Tchatchoua, Oklahoma State's Moussa Cisse and West Virginia's Gabe Osabuohien shared the honor. Iowa State claimed first-year awards as Izaiah Brockington picked up Newcomer of the Year and Tyrese Hunter claimed Freshman of the Year. Kansas State's Nijel Pack was voted as Most Improved Player while BU's Jeremy Sochan was recognized with the Sixth Man Award.

The All-Big I2 First Team consisted of Agbaji, Brockington and Pack in addition to the Bears' James Akinjo and Texas Tech's Bryson Williams. Agbaji and Williams were unanimous selections.

Agbaji was the league's leading scorer in overall (19.8 ppg) and conference games (19.65 ppg). He was third in all games in field goal percentage (.477/208-436), second in 3-point field goal percentage (.411/86-209), second in 3-pointers made per game (2.87) and seventh in free throw percentage (.767/92-120). The senior guard averaged more minutes per game (35.2) than any other Big I2 player and led the Conference with I7 20-point games. Agbaji was a four-time Big I2 Player of the Week this season.

Tchamwa Tchatchoua is fifth in the league with 6.8 rebounds per game. He averaged 8.4 points and had nine blocks and I7 steals before suffering a season-ending injury on February I2. Cisse is the Big I2's top shot-blocker with 54 for an average of I.86 per game. He is sixth in the Conference with 6.52 rebounds and also averages 7.2 points while connecting on 55.9 percent (80-I43) of his field goal attempts. Osabuohien averages 5.0 points and 5.5 rebounds, good for I4th in the Conference. He also has 35 steals and I7 blocks.

In his first season with the Cyclones, Brockington ranks third in the Big I2 in both points (I7.55) and rebounds (7.23). He is also fourth in field percentage (.469/207-44I), sixth in free throw percentage (.773/99-I28) and second in minutes played (34.63). The senior guard earned four Big I2 Player of the Week honors and two as the top Newcomer.

Hunter started all 3I of Iowa State's games in his rookie campaign. He was second on the team in scoring (IO.8 ppg) and led the squad in total assists (I55) and steals (59). His 5.0 assist and I.9 steals averages were third in the Big I2 while his assist/turnover ratio (I.58) was seventh.

Sophomore guard Pack leads the Wildcats in nearly every offensive category, including scoring (I7.4 ppg), 30-point games (3), 20-point games (7) double-digit scoring games (27) and 3-point field goals made (92). He currently ranks I4th nationally and first in the Big I2 in 3-point field goals per game (3.29), while he is seventh in the nation and first in the league in 3-point field goal percentage (.436/92-2II).

True freshman Sochan is a key contributor off the bench for the Bears. Playing 24.4 minutes a game, he averages 8.7 points and 6.1 rebounds with totals of 45 assists, 34 steals and 18 blocks. His rebounding average is 10th in the Conference.

Drew has guided Baylor to a second-consecutive Big I2 regular season title, sharing this year's crown with Kansas after both finished with I4-4 league records. The Bears are 26-5 overall and ranked No. 3 nationally in the AP Poll heading into the Phillips 66 Big I2 Men's Basketball Championship. BU is ranked fourth in the NET and its II Quad I wins are the most in the nation.

#### **PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

Ochai Agbaji, Kansas, G, Sr.\*

# **DEFENSIVE PLAYERS OF THE YEAR**

Jonathan Tchamwa Tchatchoua, Baylor Moussa Cisse, Oklahoma State Gabe Osabuohien, West Virginia

# **NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR**

Izaiah Brockington, Iowa State, G, Sr.

### **FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR**

Tyrese Hunter, Iowa State, G

# **SIXTH MAN AWARD**

Jeremy Sochan, Baylor

#### **MOST IMPROVED PLAYER**

Nijel Pack, Kansas State, G, So.

#### **COACH OF THE YEAR**

Scott Drew, Baylor

# 2021-22 Phillips 66 All-Big 12 Men's Basketball Awards

All-Big 12 First Team	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	CI.	Hometown/Previous School(s)
James Akinjo, Baylor	G	6-I	190	Sr.	Oakland, Calif./Georgetown/Arizona
Izaiah Brockington, Iowa State	G	6-4	196	Sr.	Philadelphia, Pa./Archbishop Ryan
Ochai Agbaji, Kansas*	G	6-5	215	Sr.	Kansas City, Mo./Oak Park
Nijel Pack, Kansas State	G	6-0	180	So.	Indianapolis, Ind./Lawrence Central
Bryson Williams, Texas Tech*	F	6-8	240	Gr.	Fresno, Calif./UTEP
All-Big 12 Second Team	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	CI.	Hometown/Previous School(s)
Adam Flagler, Baylor	G	6-3	180	Jr.	Duluth, Ga./Duluth/Presbyterian
Christian Braun, Kansas	G	6-7	218	Jr.	Burlington, Kan./Blue Valley Northwest
Mike Miles Jr., TCU	G	6-2	195	So.	Highland Hills, Texas/Lancaster
Timmy Allen, Texas	F	6-6	210	Sr.	Mesa, Ariz./Red Mountain
Taz Sherman, West Virginia	G	6-4	190	Sr.	Missouri City, Texas/Thurgood Marshall/Collin College
All-Big 12 Third Team	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	CI.	Hometown/Previous School(s)
David McCormack, Kansas	F	6-10	250	Sr.	Norfolk, Va./Oak Hill Academy
Jalen Wilson, Kansas	F	6-8	225	So.	Denton, Texas/John H. Guyer
Mark Smith, Kansas State	G	6-4	225	Sr.	Edwardsville, III./Edwardsville
Avery Anderson III, Oklahoma State	G	6-3	170	Jr.	Justin, Texas/Northwest
Marcus Carr, Texas	G	6-2	190	Sr.	Toronto, Ontario, Canada/Montverde Academy (Fla.)

#### All-Big 12 Honorable Mention (Listed alphabetically by school)

Matthew Mayer (Baylor), Jeremy Sochan (Baylor), Dajuan Harris Jr. (Kansas), Markquis Nowell (K-State), Umoja Gibson (Oklahoma), Jordan Goldwire (Oklahoma), Tanner Groves (Oklahoma), Elijah Harkless (Oklahoma), Damion Baugh (TCU), Emanuel Miller (TCU), Christian Bishop (Texas), Andrew Jones (Texas), Courtney Ramey (Texas), Adonis Arms (Texas Tech), Kevin McCullar (Texas Tech), Kevin Obanor (Texas Tech), Marcus Santos-Silva (Texas Tech), Sean McNeil (West Virginia)

Big 12 All-Defensive Team	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	CI.	Hometown/Previous School(s)
Jonathan Tchamwa Tchatchoua, Baylor	F	6-8	245	Jr.	Douala, Cameroon/NBA Global Academy (Australia)/UNLV
Dajuan Harris Jr., Kansas	G	6-I	170	So.	Columbia, Mo./Rock Bridge
Markquis Nowell, Kansas State	G	5-8	160	Jr.	Harlem, N.Y./St. Patrick
Moussa Cisse, Oklahoma State	F	7-0	225	So	Conakry, Guinea/Memphis
Gabe Osabuohien, West Virginia	F	6-7	240	Sr.	Toronto, Ontario, Canada/SW Christian Academy/Arkansas
Big 12 All-Newcomer Team	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	CI.	Hometown/Previous School(s)
James Akinjo, Baylor	G	6-I	190	Sr.	Oakland, Calif./Georgetown/Arizona
Izaiah Brockington, Iowa State	G	6-4	196	Sr.	Philadelphia, Pa./Archbishop Ryan
Mark Smith, Kansas State	G	6-4	225	Sr.	Edwardsville, III./Edwardsville
Timmy Allen, Texas	F	6-6	210	Sr.	Mesa, Ariz./Red Mountain
Bryson Williams, Texas Tech*	F	6-8	240	Gr.	Fresno, Calif./UTEP
Big 12 All-Freshman Team	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.		Hometown/Previous School(s)
Jeremy Sochan, Baylor*	F	6-9	230		Milton Keynes, England/Orange Academy
Kendall Brown, Baylor*	G/F	6-8	205		Cottage Grove, Minn./Sunrise Christian
KJ Adams Jr., Kansas	F	6-7	225		Austin, Texas/Westlake
Tyrese Hunter, Iowa State*	G	6-0	178		Racine, Wis./St. Catherines
C.J. Noland, Oklahoma	G	6-2	229		Waxahachie, Texas/Waxahachie

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes unanimous selection.