

Duane Washington, E.J. Liddell Square Off At G-League Camp



Ohio State men's basketball teammates became opponents briefly on Sunday, as point guard Duane Washington and forward E.J. Liddell squared off in a game at the G League Elite Camp in Chicago. Washington helped lead team two to an 80-74 victory, as both players earned praise online for their play.

Game one boxscore from the G League Elite Camp in Chicago. De'vante Jones and Aaron Wiggins tied for the leading scorers with 15 points each. Second game coming up in ten minutes on Twitch <https://t.co/wr7ACYsGlr> pic.twitter.com/u52nQFb1kr

— Jonathan Givony (@DraftExpress) June 20, 2021

Washington had the better day of the two on the stat sheet. He came off the bench and racked up 13 points on 5-of-12 shooting while nabbing a pair of rebounds, a steal, and two assists. He did pick up four fouls and had three turnovers, but his +20 +/- was tied for the best of any player in the game with Michigan's Chaundee Brown. Washington was named as an early standout at the event by Sports Illustrated's Jeremy Woo.

Good first day at G League Elite Camp. Two competitive games. Early standouts (as I saw it):

Jose Alvarado
Chaundee Brown
Marcus Carr
Jay Huff
Carlik Jones
Duane Washington
Aaron Wiggins

Jalen Wilson

— Jeremy Woo (@JeremyWoo) June 20, 2021

Celtics writer Chris Grenham also praised the Buckeye guard.

Really like what I've seen from Ohio State's Duane Washington Jr. so far today. Fantastic leader - super vocal on the court and from the bench.

He's close with fellow Buckeye Evan Turner. The two went to dinner together following his workout with the Celtics earlier this month.

— Chris Grenham (@chrisgrenham) June 20, 2021

Liddell, meanwhile, started at the No. 4 position for team one and had a quiet but solid day himself. He scored just five points, but he grabbed six rebounds and doled out a pair of assists. He knocked down this nice corner three, too.

EJ Liddell corner 3 off the pass from Banton pic.twitter.com/qOKkiTUV9D

— Aram Cannuscio (@AC__Hoops) June 20, 2021

The event will continue through June 21 with more games and individual training events. Both players are expected to announce their intentions regarding the draft in the weeks after leaving this event.