

Coach K Being Investigated

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Duke University basketball coach Mike Krzyzewski may have committed an NCAA violation during a recruiting visit in Orlando, Fl.

Krzyzewski, who has won more than 800 games and four national championships with the Blue Devils, offered a scholarship to 6-7 forward Alex Poythress, who was playing in an AAU Super Showcase Tournament in Orlando. Krzyzewski offered Poythress the scholarship last Tuesday night after his team, the Georgia Stars, were eliminated from the tournament. NCAA rules prevent coaches from contacting players before they are finished playing in tournaments. And even though the Georgia Stars were eliminated from tournament play, Poythress was still in Orlando with his team. Players must be completely removed from their team in order for a coach to talk to them.

Duke released a statement through spokesman Jon Jackson that said, "Proper adherence to NCAA bylaws has always been, and will continue to be, a cornerstone of Duke athletics." Poythress, a rising senior from Northeast High School in Clarksville, TN., is a five-star recruit. The scouting report on Poythress is very impressive. He runs the floor well, can attack the basket, and he can hit the open three. Poythress is also an excellent rebounder, has great hands, he's a good passer and he can handle the ball. Defensively, he does a great job challenging shots on and away from the ball.

Poythress has shown an interest in Florida, Memphis, Vanderbilt, Miami and Tennessee. Louisville, West Virginia, Missouri, Cincinnati, Connecticut and Georgia are among the other schools that have also shown an interest in Poythress.