

New Bedford's Bonzie Colson II named MVP of Europe's Basketball Champions League

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New Bedford's Bonzie Colson II has been named MVP of Europe's Basketball Champions League.

Colson, who is playing professionally for SIG Strasbourg in France, led the BCL in scoring at 18.2 points per game and was one of two players, along with Raymar Morgan, to average at least 18 points and six rebounds. His 218 total points are the third-most in SIG Strasbourg history.

Colson, 25, is the youngest MVP in BCL history. Earlier this season he was named to the Team of the Month in January and to the All-BCL Playoff Team.

Colson, who appeared on The New Bedford Show with AJ Tavares in March live on New Bedford Guide, previously played for Darussafaka Tekfen in Turkey during the 2019-20 season after a year spent in the NBA's G-League that featured a late call-up to the Milwaukee Bucks.

Colson will be presented his MVP award during the second Final 8 semifinal, which will see SIG Strasbourg face BCL reigning champion Hereda San Pablo Burgos for a spot in the BCL Finals. Colson has helped SIG Strasbourg improve from a 4-10 record last year to reach the semifinals this season.

Colson attended Carney Academy, Keith Middle School and Global Charter before heading to St. Andrew's School in Rhode Island and starring at Notre Dame. He played eight games in the NBA during the 2018-19 season, recording a pair of double-doubles.