

Wes Washpun will transfer to UNI

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Wes Washpun is coming home to continue his college basketball career after spending one season at the University of Tennessee.

Washpun, an all-state point guard from Cedar Rapids Washington, has accepted an offer to join the University of Northern Iowa basketball team next season.

Washpun will have to take a redshirt season in 2012-13 due to NCAA transfer rules, then will have three years of eligibility after that.

Washpun was Tennessee's backup point guard during non-conference games this season, but he fell out of favor and played sparingly during the Southeastern Conference campaign. He scored 16 points in 17 games for a 0.9 average.

Washpun visited UNI this past weekend. He picked the Panthers over Nebraska, Milwaukee, South Dakota State and Tennessee Tech.

Washpun originally committed to Missouri State when Cuonzo Martin was the head coach there. When Martin became the new coach at Tennessee last spring, he offered Washpun a spot with the Volunteers and Washpun accepted.