

2024-2025 SIAC MALE AND FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR
Media Information

Name: Drew Ferguson

School: Bosse High School

Parents' Names: Rachel Deputy and Adam Ferguson

Sports Participation: Varsity Golf 2 years, Varsity Tennis 4 years, Freshman and JV Basketball 2 years

Special achievements as a player:

Varsity Tennis record over 500 his Senior year at #1 Singles. Tennis Kiwanis Award Winner 2 times. Academic All-City in both Tennis and Golf each year.

Other activities or accomplishments:

Drew was named a Rising Star of Indiana carrying a 4.0 GPA.
Works at Fendrich Golf Course on the Maintenance Crew.

Personal Character:

Drew is an outstanding young man whose character and dedication consistently stand out. He is always willing to lend a hand and goes above and beyond to support others. His involvement in unified basketball demonstrates his compassion and commitment to inclusion. In addition, he volunteered at the baseball sectional, showing his strong sense of community and responsibility.

Drew is honest, respectful, and dependable—qualities that make him both a great peer and role model. Academically, he excels as well, maintaining an impressive 4.0 GPA. His work ethic, integrity, and willingness to serve others make him a truly exceptional student and person.

College: Western Kentucky University

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Name: Brady Reiter

School: Castle High School

Parents' Names: Mike and Jana Reiter

Sports Participation: Soccer, Basketball

Special achievements as a player:

Soccer: 2x 1st Team All-Conference; 2x 1st Team Evansville Courier & Press; 2x 1st Team All-Metro; 2x Indiana Soccer Coaches Association 1st Team All-District; 2023 ISCA 2nd Team All-State; 2024 ISCA 1st Team All-State, 2025 United Soccer Coaches of America All Great Lakes Region Team

Other activities or accomplishments:

National Honors Society, Scholastic C Award (Junior and Senior year)

Captain for soccer and basketball teams

2024 Soccer Kiwanis Mental Attitude Award

2025 Basketball Kiwanis Mental Attitude Award

Personal Character:

Jerry Sims Memorial Scholarship Award winner

College: Wabash College

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Name: Kenyon Peoples

School: Central High School

Parents' Names: Chunta McWilliams and Brittney Villines

Sports Participation: Football and Basketball

Special achievements as a player:

Football: Led teams in tackles (2024-25), Led the teams in touchdowns (2024-2025), Team Captain 2 years (2023, 2024)

Basketball: Led team in career charges in the season and #1 in the State (2024-2025)

Other activities or accomplishments:

Academic All-City Football (3 years-2022, 2023, 2024)

Recipient of Browning-Hester Family Football Scholarship

Recipient of Constance F. Irwin Scholarship

Academic All City Basketball (2 years 2021-2022, 2024-25)

Personal Character:

Student Ambassador for Central State of Our Schools

College: University of Southern Indiana

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Name: Thomas Shane Sims

School: Harrison High School

Parents' Names: Thomas Shane Sims Sr and Stephanie Tischhauser

Sports Participation: Basketball

Special achievements as a player:

Basketball: 3x SIAC 1st Team All-Conference (2023, 2024, 2025); All State Large School (2023, 2024); City Champions (2022-23, 2023-2024); SIAC Champions (2022-23, 2023-2024); Sectional Champions (2023-24, 2024-25); Indiana Junior All-Star; Harrison H.S. MVP (2022-23, 2024-2025); Harrison High School Warrior Award (Sportsmanship 2025); Hoosier Basketball Magazine Top 60 Workout Attendee 2025; HBCA All-Star 2025; Harrison's 2nd All-Time Leading Scorer with 1,513 career points; Played at started 96 career games becoming Harrison All-Time Leader in Games Played and started.

Other activities or accomplishments:

Harrison Class of 25 Valedictorian, Straight A Student throughout high school career,
Academic Honor Roll, National Honor Society
2025 Kiwanis Winner, 2025 Marketing Department Kiwanis Winner
Governors Work Ethic Certificate Recipient
School Spirit Club

Personal Character:

Basketball Trainer for younger student athletes, Harrison Basketball Camp 2x Coach of the Day

College: Eastern Illinois University, Playing D1 Basketball and Admitted into Eastern Illinois Honors College

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Name: Caleb Schnarr

School: Jasper High School

Parents' Names: Brad and Jen Schnarr

Sports Participation: Golf and Tennis

Special achievements as a player:

4 Varsity letters in Golf and Tennis

Golf: 4x SIAC Individual Champion (2022-2025); 4x Individual and Team Sectional Champion (2022-2025); Individual Regional Champion (2024); 4x 1st Team All-Conference (2022-2025); 1st Team All-State (2024); 7th Place 2024 IHSA State Championship; Tied 8th Place 2025 IHSA State Championship

Tennis: 2024 Doubles State Champion; 3x Tennis Team Final 4 (2021, 2022, 2024); 2x 1st Team All-State (2023, 2024); 2nd Team All-Conference (2023); 1st Team All-Conference (2024); 2x All-District Team (2023, 2024)

Other activities or accomplishments:

Class Rank 5 out of 255, National Honor Society

JHS Positive Achiever Award, Student Council Member, WyldLife Leader

Personal Character:

2024 IHSA Boys Tennis Mental Attitude Award Winner

2024 Jasper Golf Mental Attitude Award Winner

College: Indiana University-Bloomington (Playing Golf)

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Name: Isaiah Schaefer

School: Mater Dei High School

Parents' Names: Greg and Kristi Schaefer

Sports Participation: Wrestling

Special achievements as a player:

Wrestling: Walsh Ironman (2024)- 7th Place; Ranked 19th in the country at 138 lbs.;
4x IHSA State Placer (Freshman and Sophomore year 7th place, Junior year State Runner-up,
Senior Year State Champion); 4x Conference Champion; 4x Sectional and Regional Champion;
1x Semi-State Champion; 2x Semi-State Runner-up; 2023 PNL National Champion; Mater Dei
Holiday Classic Champion (2024)

Other activities or accomplishments:

Wrestling Kiwanis Winner

4x Academic All-City, 3x Academic All-State, NWCA Academic All-American, Magna Cum Laude
7 semester, Class Rank 2 out of 126, National Honor Society, Mater Dei Students for Life
President, Student Council President 3 years, German Club, Youth Resources, Academic Super
Bowl Team, Academic Fine Arts Team

Personal Character:

Volunteer Boys and Girls Club and St Vincent DePaul Food Pantry, Mater Dei Feeder League
Wrestling, Pennies for Patience, Vacation Bible School, Mass Server. Challenger Baseball
League

College: Purdue University – Brain & Behavioral Sciences

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Name: Matthew Fisher

School: Memorial High School

Parents' Names: Jason and Crystal Fisher

Sports Participation: Football, Baseball

Special achievements as a player:

Football: 2x Team Captain; 3x Football Sectional Champion and 1x Regional Champion; 3x All-Conference; 2024 SIAC Player of the Year; 2024 Downtown QB Club Team Captain
Stats: 414 Completion, 512 Att, 5591 Yards, 68% Comp %, 57 TD's Rushing – 10 TD's

Baseball: Gatorade Player of the Year; North-South All-Star; 4-Year letter winner; Kiwanis Award Recipient; Conference Co-Player of the Year (2025); All-State; 3x Sectional and 2x Regional Champion; 2x Team Captain

Other activities or accomplishments:

4x Academic All-City Football and Baseball, 2024 Academic All-State

Personal Character:

In every endeavor, Matthew Fisher demonstrates humility, dedication, and leadership. Whether playing sports, leading his classmates, or simply performing in the classroom, he epitomizes the excellence we seek in Memorial High School students. I have watched Matthew develop into a fine young man who demonstrates uncommon selflessness repeatedly. Matthew never takes credit but is always willing to take responsibility.

All the success we had as a baseball team over the past 4 years had a lot to do with players. With all that being said, there is not a more caring young man who thinks about others before himself. (Chad Docker, Memorial AD)

College: Indiana University if not drafted

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Name: Benjamin Brasher

School: North High School

Parents' Names: Jeremy and Liz Brasher

Sports Participation: Football, Track

Special achievements as a player:

Football: 4-Year Varsity Starter; 2023 Sectional Champion; 2x All-Conference; 2x All-City; All-State Football; All State Freshman Team Football

Track: 4-Year Varsity Thrower; 2x All-Conference; 2x Shot Put City, Conference, and Sectional Champion, 2x Shot Put State Qualifier, School Shot Put Record Holder

Other activities or accomplishments:

4x Academic All City Football and Track, Graduated honors and Governor Certificate

Track Kiwanis Winner

Personal Character:

Governors Work Ethic Award Honors Diploma

College: Indiana State University

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Name: Landon McClarney

School: Reitz High School

Parents' Names: Tim and Nichole McClarney

Sports Participation: Football, Golf

Special achievements as a player:

Football: Team Captain; Reitz Team MVP; 2x Academic All-City; 2x All-Conference; IFCA All-State; IFCA Region 9 All-Star; IFCA Academic All-State; Scholar Athlete Award for the National Football Foundation

Golf: Academic All-City

Other activities or accomplishments:

Football Kiwanis Award Winner

National Honor Society, Student Council, Ranked in top of the class

Personal Character:

Volunteer Football Camp, Mission Trip to New Orleans for Hurricane Relief, Volunteer for Isaiah 117 House, Worked in local homeless shelter; Volunteered for spring clean-up Mesker Park Zoo, First Christian Church Fall Festival Boon, Special Needs Class, WSYB; Worked at Burdette Park Grounds Crew, Turoni's, and Naas and Sons LLC

College: Indiana University-Bloomington

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Name: Luke Hall

School: Vincennes Lincoln High School

Parents' Names: Gene and Christy Hall

Sports Participation: Basketball, Baseball, Tennis, Soccer

Special achievements as a player:

12 Varsity Letters (Basketball (4), Baseball (4), Tennis (3), Soccer (1))

Vincennes Lincoln Athlete of the Year (Curtis Painter Award)

Capital Classic MVP (Holiday Basketball Tournament)

Sun Commercial All-Area (Basketball and Baseball)

2x Sectional Winner (Tennis Team)

Other activities or accomplishments:

1st Team Academic All-State (Basketball)

Ranked 4th in Class (Earned Vincennes University Associate's Degree)

National Honor Society

Presidential Scholarships (Indiana State University, Vincennes University, and University of Evansville)

Leader of Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

Basketball and Baseball Team Captains

Personal Character:

Clarence B. Tolbert Outstanding Senior Award (Academic, Athletic, Leadership, and Social)

VBA and IBA Youth Basketball Volunteer

Food Pantry Volunteer

College: Indiana State University