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## Softball Candidates Announced for the 2021 Senior CLASS Award

**OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (February 18, 2021)** – Thirty of the top NCAA<sup>®</sup> softball student-athletes, who excel both on and off the field, were selected as candidates today for the 2021 Senior CLASS Award<sup>®</sup> in collegiate softball.

To be eligible for the award, a student-athlete must be classified as an NCAA Division I senior and have notable achievements in four areas of excellence: community, classroom, character and competition. The complete list of candidates follows this release.

An acronym for *Celebrating Loyalty and Achievement for Staying in School*<sup>®</sup>, the Senior CLASS Award focuses on the total student-athlete and encourages students to use their platform in athletics to make a positive impact as leaders in their communities.

The 30 candidates will be narrowed to 10 finalists in March, and those 10 names will be placed on the official ballot. Ballots will be distributed through a nationwide voting system to media, coaches and fans, who will select one candidate who best exemplifies excellence in the four Cs of community, classroom, character and competition.

The Senior CLASS Award winner will be announced during the 2021 Women's College World Series<sup>®</sup> in June.

For more information on all the candidates, visit [seniorCLASSaward.com](http://seniorCLASSaward.com).

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**2021 Senior CLASS Award Softball Candidates:**

**Sis Bates**, University of Washington  
**AnaMarie Bruni**, University of South Florida  
**Danielle Castleberry**, Mercer University  
**Teaghan Cowles**, Stanford University  
**Mia Davidson**, Mississippi State University  
**Amber Fiser**, University of Minnesota  
**Sydney Fisher**, Radford University  
**Julia Fritz**, East Tennessee State University  
**Darian Frost**, Missouri State University  
**Rachel Garcia**, University of California, LA  
**Kristin Hallam**, Hofstra University  
**Jessie Harper**, University of Arizona  
**Alexis Holloway**, University of Notre Dame  
**Andrea Howard**, University of New Mexico  
**Kristina Inouye**, Stanford University

**Karlee Johnson**, Boise State University  
**Cayla Kessinger**, University of Missouri  
**Jennifer Leonhardt**, University of Louisville  
**Kendyl Lindaman**, University of Florida  
**Goose McGlaun**, Baylor University  
**Maddie McMahon**, Siena College  
**Liz Murphy**, University of Detroit Mercy  
**Bubba Nickles**, University of California, LA  
**Makenna Partain**, University of Minnesota  
**Kendall Smith**, Western Kentucky University  
**Nicole Timmons**, Drake University  
**Kelly Warren**, East Tennessee State University  
**Kayla Wedl**, University of Illinois at Chicago  
**Alea White**, University of Central Florida  
**Sami Williams**, Iowa State University

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**ABOUT THE AWARD**

An acronym for *Celebrating Loyalty and Achievement for Staying in School*, the Senior CLASS Award honors the attributes of senior student-athletes in four areas: community, classroom, character and competition. The award program is designed exclusively for college seniors who are utilizing their complete athletic eligibility, remaining committed to their university and pursuing the many rewards a senior season can bring. Premier Sports Management manages the award.

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