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Men's ice hockey candidates announced for the 2015 Senior CLASS Award

OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (January 21, 2015) – Twenty of the top NCAA® men's ice hockey student-athletes who excel both on and off the ice were selected as candidates today for the 2014-15 Senior CLASS Award® in collegiate hockey.

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*®, 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 20 candidates will be narrowed to 10 finalists later in the season, 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 2015 NCAA Men's Frozen Final Four® in April.

Hockey Candidates

Daniel Ciampini, Union College (NY)	Nick Mattson, University of North Dakota
Austin Czarnik, Miami University (OH)	Ross Mauermann, Providence College
Chad Demers, Air Force Academy	C.J. Motte, Ferris State University
Tanner Fritz, Ohio State University	Mike Paliotta, University of Vermont
Spiro Goulakos, Colgate University	Andrew Prochno, St. Cloud State Univ.
Zach Hyman, University of Michigan	Kyle Rau, University of Minnesota
Tanner Kero, Michigan Technological Univ.	Peter Schneider, University of Notre Dame
Adam Krause, Univ. of Minnesota Duluth	Clay Witt, Northeastern University
Matt Lorito, Brown University	Cody Wydo, Robert Morris University
Mark MacMillan, University of North Dakota	Oleg Yevenko, Massachusetts

For more information on all the candidates, visit seniorCLASSaward.com.

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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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