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Men's lacrosse candidates announced for the 2015 Senior CLASS Award

OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (March 4, 2015) – Twenty of the top NCAA® men's lacrosse student-athletes who excel both on and off the field were selected as candidates today for the 2015 Senior CLASS Award® in collegiate lacrosse.

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 in conjunction with the 2015 NCAA Men's Lacrosse National Championship in May.

Lacrosse Candidates

Erik Adamson, University of Denver
Connor Buczek, Cornell
Mark DiFrangia, St. John's (NY)
Tim Edwards, Canisius College
Pat Frazier, Loyola University (MD)
Austin Geisler, High Point

Matt McMahon, University of Pennsylvania
Joe Nardella, Rutgers
Conrad Oberbeck, Yale
David Planning, Ohio State
Nikko Pontrello, Loyola University (MD)
Kevin Rice, Syracuse

Richie Hurley, Siena College
Mike Malave, Hofstra
Ryan McGee, Saint Joseph's University
Terry McKenna, Holy Cross

Joey Sankey, North Carolina
Sam Somers, U.S. Military Academy
Dan Taylor, Lehigh University
Ryan Tucker, University of Virginia

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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