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Men's and Women's Basketball Candidates Announced for the 2021-22 Senior CLASS Award

OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (December 7, 2021) – 60 NCAA® men's and women's basketball student-athletes, who excel both on and off the court, were selected as candidates today for the 2021-22 Senior CLASS Award®.

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 men's and women's candidates will be narrowed to two fields of ten finalists later in the season, and those names will be placed on the official ballot. Ballots will be distributed through a nationwide voting system to media, coaches and fans, who will then select one male candidate and one female candidate who best exemplifies excellence in the four C's of community, classroom, character and competition.

The Senior CLASS Award winners will be announced during the 2022 NCAA Men's Final Four® and NCAA Women's Final Four® this spring.

For more information on the candidates, please visit www.seniorclassaward.com.

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2021-22 Senior CLASS Award Men's Basketball Candidates

Alex Barcello , BYU	Ryan Hawkins , Creighton
Evan Battey , Colorado	ShanQuan Hemphill , Drake
Jules Bernard , UCLA	Myles Johnson , UCLA
Buddy Boeheim , Syracuse	Jarkel Joiner , Ole Miss
Eli Brooks , Michigan	Gavin Kensmil , Stephen F. Austin
Garrison Brooks , Mississippi State	Isaac Likekele , Oklahoma State
Brad Davison , Wisconsin	Kameron McGusty , Miami
Anthony Duruji , Florida	Alex Morales , Wagner
Trent Frazier , Illinois	Justyn Mutts , Virginia Tech
John Fulkerson , Tennessee	Austin Phyfe , Northern Iowa
Jacob Gilyard , Richmond	D'Shawn Schwartz , George Mason
Tanner Groves , Oklahoma	Eli Scott , Loyola Marymount
Tate Hall , Loyola Chicago	Sasha Stefanovic , Purdue
Ron Harper Jr. , Rutgers	Hunter Tyson , Clemson
John Harrar , Penn State	Lucas Williamson , Loyola Chicago

2021-22 Senior CLASS Award Women's Basketball Candidates

Shakira Austin , Ole Miss	Tylee Irwin , South Dakota State
Katie Benzan , Maryland	Morgan Jones , Florida State
Grace Berger , Indiana	Dorka Juhász , UConn
Conley Chinn , Belmont	Lotta-Maj Lahtinen , Georgia Tech
Elissa Cunane , NC State	Jordan Lewis , Baylor
Andra Espinoza-Hunter , Seton Hall	Sonya Morris , DePaul
Dru Gylten , Utah	Olivia Nelson-Ododa , UConn
Gabi Haack , Bradley	Ali Patberg , Indiana
Sara Hamson , BYU	Aisha Sheppard , Virginia Tech
Lauren Heard , TCU	NaLyssa Smith , Baylor
Lexi Held , DePaul	Sam Thomas , Arizona
Destanni Henderson , South Carolina	Lauren Van Kleunen , Marquette
Naz Hillmon , Michigan	Abby Wahl , Eastern Illinois
Rhyne Howard , Kentucky	Christyn Williams , UConn
Lexie Hull , Stanford	Macee Williams , IUPUI

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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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