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# Baseball Candidates Announced for 2021 Senior CLASS Award

**OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (April 8, 2021)** – Thirty NCAA® baseball student-athletes who excel both on and off the field were selected as candidates today for the 2021 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 30 candidates will be narrowed to 10 finalists in May, 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 C's of community, classroom, character, and competition.

The Senior CLASS Award winner will be announced during the 2021 College World Series® in June.

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

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## **2021 Senior CLASS Award Baseball Candidates**

**Darren Baker**, California

**Matthew Beck**, LSU

**Colton Bender**, Quinnipiac

**T.J. Collett**, Kentucky

**Scotty Dubrule**, Mississippi State

**Tim Elko**, Ole Miss

**Drew Frederic**, Troy

**Brett Harris**, Gonzaga

**Daniel Jung**, Notre Dame

**Alex Kachler**, North Florida

**Ryan Knernschild**, Eastern Illinois

**Kyle Mora**, UCLA

**Jake Mulholland**, Oregon State

**Matthew Padre**, Manhattan

**Zach Pettway**, UCLA

**Evan Russell**, Tennessee

**Christian Scafidi**, Notre Dame

**Davis Sims**, Western Kentucky

**Tyler Smith**, East Carolina

**Luke Smith**, Louisville

**Preston Snavely**, Wichita State

**Andy Thomas**, Baylor

**Alex Toral**, Miami

**Alec Trela**, Memphis

**Marc Wangenstein**, Albany

**Ben Wanger**, Miami

**Robert Weissheier**, Hofstra

**Austin Wilhite**, Georgia Tech

**Rankin Woley**, Auburn

**RJ Yeager**, Mercer

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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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