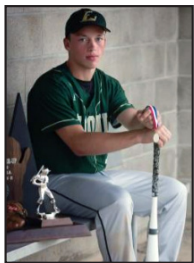


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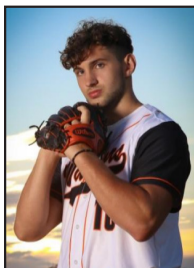
Cormac Madigan (Laconia)

During his three years as a varsity baseball player, Madigan led his team in career hits (70), runs scored and stolen bases his senior year, as well as being chosen captain and earning All-Conference two years. The word busy is an understatement for Madigan. A three-sport athlete, he graduated with a 3.98 GPA, worked 20 hours per week, volunteered extensively in his community, and earned an Eagle Scout honor. Coach Greg Smit said, "Cormac has always been a very coachable player and a kid who would do anything for you. He's an extremely hard worker and a great leader, both on and off the field." Madigan is attending Ripon College to study anesthesiology.



Jack Pawlak (Grafton)

Coach Brian Durst said, "In twenty-five years of coaching, I have never witnessed a player earn as much praise for his positive demeanor and attitude, as well as his play . . . Jack's genuine enthusiasm for learning and life will continue to impact those in his presence." This high praise is well-earned. On the field, he was twice voted team captain, was team MVP his senior year, earned All-Conference honors as a catcher and All-State All-Academic, and played in this year's WBCA All Star Game. As a sophomore, he earned the Coach's Award as the player who best demonstrates the baseball program's motto: "Respect the Game." In addition, Pawlak has taken every math class available at Grafton High School as well as attending an Actuarial Science seminar at Northwestern Mutual in Milwaukee. He is going to be attending the University of Wisconsin and plans on a career in actuarial science.



Justin Sankey (Portage)

Sankey graduated with a 3.96 GPA and was involved with various clubs and organizations, which included being president of HOSA-Future Health Professionals. He also volunteered at a local elementary school every Friday. A captain in both football and baseball, he is looked up to by peers and coaches alike. Coach Mike Hemming writes that Justin, "Is extremely bright and has great ambition. He is never satisfied and will always put forth maximum effort." Sankey plans on studying biochemistry at Lawrence University.



Miles Saylor (Necedah)

Saylor graduated number one in his class. This was no easy task as his schedule was full of advanced placement courses, Honors, and Advanced core classes. In addition, he has been very active in his community, having volunteered well-over three hundred hours while in high school. Saylor was recognized as a WIAA Scholar Athlete this year. On the field, he was a four-year varsity starter, earning All-Conference and All-District honors as well as being named 2018 Scenic Bluffs Conference Player of the Year. Coach Kris Saylor writes that HIS' "Production on the field is only topped by the character he consistently demonstrates." Saylor will be attending UW-Eau Claire and pursuing a career in physical therapy-sports medicine.



Zach Wendt (Wisconsin Rapids - Lincoln)

Wendt graduated number one in his class which included a rigorous class load of Advanced Placement classes. Among his many recognitions, Wendt was named an AP Scholar with Distinction as well as a member of the WFCB academic All-State Team. Perhaps most impressive is being named a National Merit Scholar, a very high national honor. A three year varsity letter winner in baseball, Wendt helped lead the Raiders to a school record for wins in a season. Coach Bob Gawlitta said, "Whether in the weight room, the athletic field, volunteering, or in the classroom, Zach is the exceptional individual who consistently gives his best effort every single day." Wendt will be attending the University of Wisconsin and pursuing a career in medicine/health care.



Tyler Whiteley (Oshkosh West)

Coach Tony Gerharz says of Whiteley, "He is an outstanding young man who has great focus and work ethic. He is a very positive member of the Oshkosh West community and well-respected by staff, coaches, teammates, and fellow students." Whiteley was a two-year varsity letter winner in three sports, earning All-Conference and All-State, All-Academic in baseball. By taking numerous Advanced Placement and UW extension classes, Whiteley will enter UW-Madison in the Fall with up to 43 credits under his belt. He will pursue a career in medicine at Wisconsin.