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### 14th Annual Football Championship Subdivision Athletics Directors Association Academic All-Star Team Named

**CLEVELAND** -- The 58 winners of the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Football Championship Subdivision Athletics Directors Association Academic All-Star Team were announced by the Football Championship Subdivision Athletics Directors Association (FCS ADA), today. There were 92 total nominees.

"The FCS ADA is honored to recognize the accomplishments of our football student-athletes each year with the Academic All-Star team," said FCS ADA President **Marilyn McNeil**, chair of the FCS ADA Academic All-Star Team Selection Committee and vice-president/director of athletics at Monmouth University. "These young men compete successfully both on the field and in the classroom and truly epitomize the definition of a student-athlete."

Football players from all Football Championship Subdivision institutions are eligible for these prestigious awards. Each of the nominees were required to have a minimum grade point average of 3.20 (on a 4.00 scale) in undergraduate study and have been a starter or key player with legitimate athletics credentials. He must have reached his second year of athletics and academic standing at the nominated institution and have completed a minimum of one full academic year at the nominated institution. He must also have participated in 50 percent of the games played at his designated position.

Additionally, from the Academic All-Star team, 12 finalists were selected for the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual FCS ADA's \$5,000 postgraduate scholarship. Two student-athletes will receive postgraduate scholarships during the Association's annual membership meeting held in conjunction with the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) Convention, being held at the Hilton Anatole Hotel in Dallas, Texas, June 25-28, 2012.

The finalists are seniors **Justin Aldredge**, Northwestern State, TE, 3.90; **Mitch Allen**, Wofford, QB, 3.96; **Tim Bolte**, Bucknell, LB, 3.93; **Ben Boothby**, Northern Iowa, DT, 3.89; **Yaser Elqutub**, Northwestern State, LB, 3.85; **Jordan Haynes**, Yale, LB, 3.62; **Kalan Jenkins**, Georgia State, NG, 3.94; **Marcus Lott**, Coastal Carolina, S, 3.91; **Mike McCabe**, Holy Cross, OT, 3.62; **Mike McElroy**, Southern Illinois, S, 3.73; **Matt Rae**, Rhode Island, DT, 3.71; and **Patrick Witt**, Yale, QB, 3.91.

A special Review Committee of Football Championship Subdivision athletics directors was responsible for selecting the all-star team and scholarship finalists. Completing this task were **Marilyn McNeil**, Monmouth (chair); **Greg Burke**, Northwestern State; **Charlie Cobb**, Appalachian State; **Brian Hutchinson**, Morehead State; **Ron Strollo**, Youngstown State; and **Jeff Tingey**, Idaho State.

The 58 members of the Football Championship Subdivision Academic All-Star Team are listed on the second page.

**About the FCS ADA:** Now in its 19<sup>th</sup> year, the Football Championship Subdivision Athletics Directors Association's mission is to enhance Football Championship Subdivision football. For more information on the FCS ADA, please visit [www.fcsada.com](http://www.fcsada.com). The FCS ADA is administered by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA), which is in its 46<sup>th</sup> year. For more information on NACDA and the 12 professional associations that fall under its umbrella, please visit [www.nacda.com](http://www.nacda.com).

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<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>GPA</u>
Tim	Bolte	Bucknell University	Patriot League	Linebacker	3.93
Jordan	Cramer	Campbell University	Pioneer	Fullback	3.50
Tim	Franklin	Coastal Carolina University	Big South	Offensive Line	3.76
Marcus	Lott	Coastal Carolina University	Big South	Safety	3.91
Mike	McCabe	College of the Holy Cross	Patriot League	Offensive Tackle	3.62
John	Behm	Davidson College	Pioneer	Outside Linebacker	3.43
Zach	Richert	Duquesne University	Northeast	Linebacker	3.88
Cory	Leman	Eastern Illinois University	Ohio Valley	Linebacker	3.75
Emory	Attig	Eastern Kentucky University	Ohio Valley	Defensive Tackle	3.84
Mike	Jarrett	Eastern Washington University	Big Sky	Kicker	3.41
Jeff	Minnerly	Eastern Washington University	Big Sky	Safety	3.83
A.J.	Harris	Elon University	Southern	Running Back	3.45
Jamie	Dunaway	Gardner-Webb University	Big South	Offensive Guard	3.56
Kalan	Jenkins	Georgia State University	Independent	Noseguard	3.94
Eric	Brunner	Illinois State University	Missouri Valley	Defensive Tackle	3.36
Brandon	Ellis	Lafayette College	Patriot League	Cornerback	3.49
Zach	Barket	Lehigh University	Patriot League	Running Back	3.61
Matt	Bevins	Liberty University	Big South	Kicker	3.57
Pat	Kelly	Liberty University	Big South	Wide Receiver	4.00
Ben	Bourgeois	McNeese State University	Southland	Punter	4.00
Andrew	Sutton	Monmouth University	Northeast	Safety	3.85
Elvis	Akpla	Montana State University	Big Sky	Wide Receiver	3.28
Desmond	Cox	Morehead State University	Pioneer	Fullback	3.46
Rainer	Duzan	Morehead State University	Pioneer	Kicker & Punter	3.48
Matt	Veldman	North Dakota State University	Missouri Valley	Tight End	3.53
Ben	Bachelier	Northern Arizona University	Big Sky	Long Snapper	3.97
Justin	Aldredge	Northwestern State University	Southland	Tight End	3.90
Yaser	Elqutub	Northwestern State University	Southland	Linebacker	3.85
Ronnie	Cameron	Old Dominion University	Colonial Athletic	Defensive Tackle	3.46
Travis	Watson	Sam Houston State University	Southland	Center	3.44
Brad	Iverson	South Dakota State University	Missouri Valley	Tight End	4.00
Mike	McElroy	Southern Illinois University	Missouri Valley	Safety	3.73
David	Pickard	Southern Illinois University	Missouri Valley	Offensive Tackle	4.00
Blake	Fenn	Southern Utah University	Great West	Linebacker	3.48
Drew	Nelson	Stephen F. Austin State University	Southland	Punter	3.50
Corey	Watson	Tennessee Tech University	Ohio Valley	Defensive Back	3.64
Tolu	Akindede	The Citadel	Southern	Linebacker	3.42
Dan	Di Lella	University at Albany	Northeast	Quarterback	3.22
Chris	Campbell	University of Delaware	Colonial Athletic	Tight End/Linebacker	3.67
Rob	McDowell	University of Delaware	Colonial Athletic	Offensive Line	3.48
Bobby	Alt	University of Montana	Big Sky	Defensive End	3.92
Chris	Zarkoskie	University of New Hampshire	Colonial Athletic	Left Guard	3.54
Ben	Boothby	University of Northern Iowa	Missouri Valley	Defensive Tackle	3.89
Kyle	Elliott	University of Rhode Island	Colonial Athletic	Offensive Guard	3.63
Matt	Rae	University of Rhode Island	Colonial Athletic	Defensive Tackle	3.71
Blake	Oliaro	University of San Diego	Pioneer	Defensive End	3.62
Trey	Clark	University of South Alabama	Independent	Offensive Line	3.89
Joel	Bradford	University of Tennessee Chattanooga	Southern	Wide Receiver	3.46
Adam	Miller	University of Tennessee Chattanooga	Southern	Offensive Line	3.74

Nate	Blair	Valparaiso University	Pioneer	Offensive Line	3.84
A.J.	Gross	Virginia Military Institute	Big South	Linebacker	3.30
Jimmy	Holtschlag	Western Illinois University	Missouri Valley	Offensive Line	4.00
Kevin	Palermo	Western Illinois University	Missouri Valley	Linebacker	3.51
Mitch	Allen	Wofford College	Southern	Quarterback	3.96
Jordan	Haynes	Yale University	Ivy League	Linebacker	3.62
Patrick	Witt	Yale University	Ivy League	Quarterback	3.91
Andrew	Johnson	Youngstown State University	Missouri Valley	Defensive Tackle	3.61
Marc	Kanetsky	Youngstown State University	Missouri Valley	Quarterback	3.82

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