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Odessa College student athletes score high in academics

ODESSA (May 31, 2018) – Odessa College’s student athletes achieved high marks in their academics as well as in their sports.

Odessa College athletic director Wayne Baker released information regarding the scholastic performance of the athletic department for the 2017-2018 academic year.

Baker said in a memo that the teams with better than a 3.0 GPA included Baseball, Volleyball, Softball, Student Trainers, and Rodeo teams. The Men’s and Women’s Basketball, Golf, Cross Country, and Dance Teams had GPA’s of 2.65 or better.

At the national level, Odessa College athletics had 23 student athletes named as National Junior College Athletic Association Academic All Americans, including 5 first team members, 4 second team members and 14 third team members.

First Team (4.00 GPA)

Catharina Bambirra	FR	Volleyball
Cade Galvan	FR	Baseball
Brittany Kennett	SO	Softball
Dominique McQueen	SO	Volleyball
Florian Moosmeier	FR	Golf

Second Team (3.80-3.99 GPA)

John Bridgeman	FR	Baseball
Mariana Ferreira	FR	Volleyball
Stevan Jeremic	FR	Basketball
Amanda Soderqvist	FR	Basketball

Third Team (3.60-3.79 GPA)

Hunter Avila	FR	Baseball
Noah Bartlett	FR	Baseball

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Joshua Bedggood	FR	Baseball
Bojana Bolozan	SO	Volleyball
Chris Finnie	SO	Golf
Mitch Holding	SO	Baseball
Natasha Holt	FR	Softball
Nico Kyprian	FR	Golf
Mason McLenna	FR	Baseball
Chance Medina	SO	Baseball
Robert Morales	FR	Baseball
Deylan Moreno	FR	Baseball
Amanda Oliveira	FR	Volleyball
Nevena Pejovic	SO	Volleyball

Baker noted that the NJCAA doesn't offer or regulate rodeo, dance and student trainer programs, so these teams were not included.

"The Western Junior College Athletic Conference, which includes all NJCAA sports as well as rodeo, dance and student trainers, recently announced the student athletes who were named to the 2018 Spring Commissioners Honor Roll," Baker added. "To be on this honor roll, the students had to obtain over a 3.25 GPA for the 2017-18 academic year. I am proud to say that Odessa College had 67 student athletes who qualified, and we also had three teams –baseball, softball, and volleyball – who had two-thirds or more of each of their teams qualify for the Commissioners Honor Roll."

"These young student athletes are outstanding examples of the success of our programs in both the academic and athletic arenas," Baker said.

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