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Ten honored at Badin's initial Sports Recognition Assembly

Ten student-athletes were honored Wednesday at Badin High School's initial Sports Recognition Assembly – students who have been recruited to play college athletics.

“Being recruited to play sports in college is quite a statement,” said Sally Kocher, Badin's athletic director. “It requires ability and dedication. These students have certainly earned their recognition.”

Badin has done Signing Receptions for Division I athletic recruits over the years, but felt that something official needed to be done for all athletes.

“Big-school athletes get a lot of attention,” Kocher said. “But the commitment to play sports in college is significant at all levels. Rather than do something piecemeal, we felt that an assembly to honor all of our student-athletes was the right idea.”

The following students, in alphabetical order, are recruited college athletes from Badin High School’s Class of 2010:

Nick Burrus. Nick is the son of Robin Burrus and Mary Burrus Maher. He is a graduate of St. John Dry Ridge. He will play baseball at Lincoln (Ill.) College.

Matt Combs. Matt is the son of Paul and Patti Young and a graduate of Queen of Peace School. He will play football at Eastern Kentucky University.

Lisa Feters. Lisa is the daughter of Greg and Nancy Feters and a graduate of Queen of Peace School. She will swim at Wilmington College.

Sydnee Fields. Sydnee is the daughter of Shawn and Kellee Fields and a graduate of Sacred Heart School. She will play women’s soccer at Xavier University.

Josh Gavin. Josh is the son of Michael and Robyn Finnegan and a graduate of Lakota Liberty. He will play football at Marietta College.

Drew Hampton. Drew is the son of Guy and Kim Hampton and a graduate of St. Julie Billiard School. He will play football at Lindsey Wilson College.

Sammy Koerner. Sammy is the daughter of Tom and Pam Koerner and a graduate of St. Peter in Chains. She will play women’s soccer at Wilmington College.

Katie Maus. Katie is the daughter of Chuck and Lisa Maus and a graduate of St. Ann School. She will play women’s basketball at the College of Mount St. Joseph.

Scott Purcell. Scott is the son of Dan and Stacy Purcell and a graduate of Talawanda Middle School. He will play men’s basketball at the College of Wooster.

Matt Shamp. Matt is the son of Dennis and Rae Ann Shamp and a graduate of St. Joseph School. He will play football at Thomas More College.

“We have an outstanding athletic program and it takes a lot of talent to make that a reality,” said Frank Margello, principal of Badin High School. “These students are taking that talent to the next level. We know they will make a difference on the playing fields in college, just as they did here at Badin.”

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