

From: "Westminster Academy" <westminster_@wacad.edu>
Subject: **WA Athletics Update**
Date: May 27, 2011 2:12:04 PM EDT
To: <coacheswa@wacad.edu>
Reply-To: <westminster_@wacad.edu>

Having trouble viewing this email? [Click here](#)



A special thank you goes to all of our student-athletes and coaches for their devotion to Christ and dedication to excellence. We would also like to thank all of our volunteers, school parents, fans and school community for their prayers, service and donations. Please continue to visit our website for information regarding all of our sports at WA.

Booster Club Awards Program

Monday, May 2, 2011 was the annual Booster Club Awards Program. The evening was dedicated to paying tribute to WA's student-athlete award winners who were nominated and selected by the WA coaching staff. As Dr. Orsino announced each award winner, it was evident that God has truly blessed WA and its student-athletes and their parents, teachers, coaches, peers, and supporters as the winners possessed impressive credentials both in and out of the classroom.

To view all of the nominees and award winners, please [click here](#) to download the program booklet.

Lions Have A Presence at *The Miami Herald's* Athletic Awards Banquet

WA earned three Coach of the Year selections and a Player of the Year selection at *The Miami Herald's* annual Athletic Awards banquet held at the Signature Grand on Wednesday, May 25, 2011.

The banquet is sponsored by *The Miami Herald* and in addition to recognizing every student-athlete who was a First Team All-Broward selection across all sports, it honors the Coach of the Year and a Player of the Year in every sport.

WA was blessed to have three coaches selected as the Coach of the Year for their respective sports. **Paul Baur** was selected the Girls' Cross-Country Coach of the Year. **Denise Israels** was selected the Girls' Water Polo Coach of the Year. Finally, **Katie McCrath** was selected the 3A-1A Girls' Volleyball Coach of the Year. **Caroline Israels** was selected the Girls' Water Polo Player of the Year.

Congratulations to all of our student-athletes and coaches who were honored at this special event!

Lady Lions Water Polo Nearly Achieves Perfect Season; Ladies and Men Win Academic Honors

The Lady Lions Water Polo Team carried a perfect 16-0 record into the State Water Polo Tournament. Though they fell in the State Tournament, the girls played outstanding all season long and were rewarded for the fruits of their labor as Coach Denise Israels was named Coach of the Year by *The Miami Herald* and Caroline Israels was named Player of the Year and a First Team selection by both *The Miami Herald* and the *Sun-Sentinel*. Caroline was also named to the All-American Third Team by the NISCA.

Both the ladies' and the men's teams earned top team academic honors from the FHSAA. Both the ladies' and men's cumulative GPA's were the highest among all teams at WA in all sports. Congratulations on an outstanding 2011 season!

Lions Baseball Caps Off Great Season; Cote Among the Elite in Broward County

The Lions' Varsity Baseball Team ended their regular season on a three-game winning streak, finishing up their season with 16 wins and nine losses. Senior catcher **James Cote**, who capped off his high school career with one of the most impressive offensive campaigns in Broward County this season, led the Lions. Cote, who was voted a co-captain at the beginning of the season by his teammates and was a Third Team All-Broward selection by *The Miami Herald*, finished in the top five in Broward County in most offensive categories, according to the *Sun-Sentinel*.

- BATTING AVERAGE- 3RD (.535)
- HITS- 3RD (38)
- RBI- 4TH (35)
- RUNS- 3RD (36)
- STOLEN BASES- Tied for first, (16)
- *OBP (On-Base Percentage)- 3RD (.635)

In addition to his impressive numbers, **Cote**, who will play baseball next season for Eckard College in St. Petersburg, FL, has also been the recipient of several post-season awards. He was recently voted onto the First Team All-District 2A-14 group, which is generally considered to be one of the tougher baseball districts in Broward County. In addition to his All-District selection, Cote was chosen by Browardhighschoolbaseball.com to participate in the first-ever Broward County Senior All-Star Game, which will be hosted at Westminster Academy® on June 4 at 7:00 p.m. When asked about his senior catcher, Coach **Nick James** commented, "James had a fantastic year and his offensive and defensive contributions will be sorely missed next season. I look forward to following him through what is sure to be a very successful collegiate baseball career."

All-County Selections

At the time of this writing, the *Sun-Sentinel* has yet to publish all of their All-County team selections. A comprehensive list of WA's all-county honorees will be sent out in a special "All-County Enews" once the *Sun-Sentinel* has published its All-County teams.

Please see WA's All-Broward selections by *The Miami Herald* below:

Miami Herald Spring 2011 All-County Athletes

Baseball

- Third Team
 - James Cote
- Honorable Mention
 - Derek Borgeson
 - Daniel Burns
 - Will Buschmann
 - Daniel D'Onofrio
 - Zach Dudas
 - Matt Friend

Softball

- Third Team
 - Ellen Radandt
- Honorable Mention
 - Anne Kelley
 - Kailey Mansour
 - Ashley Roughen
 - Brittany Singh

Ladies' Tennis

- Honorable Mention
 - Madeline Bromley
 - Alana Trombino

Men's Tennis

- Honorable Mention
 - Brendan Abernethy
 - Reid Coningsby

Ladies' Track

- First Team
 - Christina Medina
- Second Team
 - Kayla Gardner
- Third Team
 - Ali Battista
 - Kayla Gardner
- Honorable Mention
 - Ali Battista
 - Karmen Bosket
 - Keely Casey
 - Adair Lyden
 - Emily McMurtrey
 - Caroline Nichols
 - Mary-Margaret Schmidt
 - Georgia Smith

Men's Track

- Third Team
 - J.P. Rinehart
- Honorable Mention
 - Andrew Carrie
 - Thomas Carrie
 - Sean Driscoll
 - Josh Fitzgibbon
 - Evin Hamilton
 - Peter Jones
 - David King
 - Hunter Oman

Ladies' Water Polo

- Athlete of the Year and First Team
 - Caroline Israels
- Honorable Mention
 - Brooke Carlton
 - Kristen Donovan
 - Jaclyn Fortier
 - Mary-Elizabeth Mahoney
 - Kaitlyn McCullough
 - Jessica Nederlanden
 - Taylor Sasser

Men's Water Polo

- Second Team
 - AJ Barbar
- Third Team
 - Aaron Bibbee
- Honorable Mention
 - Henry Kluger
 - Logan Johnstone
 - Tyler Peterson
 - Austin Saunders
 - Nicolas Shyne
 - Arthur Soderberg

A comprehensive list of WA's 2010-2011 All-County selections can be found by [clicking here](#).

Track Athletes Earn State Championship Medals

A special congratulations goes out to **Kayla Gardner** and **Christina Medina** as they each captured individual State Championship medals at 2011 FHSAA Class 1A State Track & Field Championships. **Gardner** took home the gold in the 100m hurdles, tying her school record time of 14.55. **Medina** earned her gold medal in the discus with a personal best, new school record, and new Class 1A State Meet record throw of 136'7".

To view additional information about our track team please [click here](#).

Lions Gain Momentum into Summer with Spring Football Game Victory

The WA football team unleashed its potent offensive attack churning out 54 points, 46 of which

came in the first half, as the Lions were victorious over Berean Christian 54-0 on Thursday, May 19, 2011. The Lions' defense proved to be stingy as well as they shut out the Bulldogs and held their offensive to under 100 total yards.

The game got off to a fast start as the WA defense held the Bulldogs on three straight plays, giving way to the Lions' offense, which picked up right where it left off in 2010. On the first play from scrimmage, quarterback **Ray Sharp** rifled a long pass to **Josh Orsino** for a 51-yard TD pass. Orsino finished with four receptions for 89 yards, two TD's, and a two-point conversion in less than a half of play.

More of the same from the Lions' offense came as **Sharp**, who completed six of seven attempts for 136 yards, threw five TD passes to **Orsino**, **Daniel Burns**, **Harold Eubanks**, and **Jerome Grey**. **Burns'** and **Grey's** TD receptions were the first of their careers.

Burns added a TD toss himself after he replaced **Sharp** at quarterback. On the receiving end of **Burns'** pass was first-year player **Victor Manrique**. The TD reception was the first of **Manrique's** career.

David Paraday led the way on the ground in the first half for the Lions, recording several impressive and physical runs. **Paraday** finished a short-worked first half with 32 yards on three carries.

Led by **Maverick Leahy** and **Jonathan Merkle**, the Lions' defense played with physicality, speed, and vigor. **John Fitch** made his presence felt as he recorded two impressive sacks. First-year player **Jordan Mansour** recorded an interception in his debut for the Lions. Another first-year player, **Hunter Oman**, was impressive in his first varsity game.

The Lions' unveiled their JV team in the second half of the game and put together a most impressive opening drive to start the second half, resulting in a TD run by **Peter Holt**. **Holt** was 2-2 through the air on the drive as **Micah Smith** was on the receiving end of both of **Holt's** tosses. **Smith's** second reception was for a two-point conversion after **Holt's** TD run. What might have been the most exciting play of the evening was a 40-yard run by seventh grade running back **Davi Santos** as he warded off two would-be tacklers with a pair of powerful stiff-arms. **Santos** finished with 89 yards on seven carries.

The Lions look to build on their momentum into the summer as they will compete against some larger and very skilled teams in a highly competitive 7-on-7 tournament sponsored by the Miami Dolphins. This two day tournament begins on Thursday, June 17, 2011.

To view the fall 2011 middle school, JV and varsity football schedules, please [click here](#).

Summer Sports Programs at WA

WA summer camps are ready to get under way beginning with basketball camp on May 31, 2011. Please [click here](#) for more information and to register for each of our camp offerings.

2011-2012 Athletic Physicals are Available at WA!

Parents, has your child had their 2011-2012 athletic physical? If not, the WA Athletic Training Staff will be providing athletic physicals in the WA gymnasium on July 30 and August 6, 2011 from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. The cost is \$10.00 per child. On August 6, EKG's and echo-cardiograms will also be provided in the gym for an additional cost. Please note these tests are by appointment only. More information on these tests as well as the cost, will be available in June.

To download WA athletic forms and FHSAA physical and consent forms, please [click here](#).

Praise God for His provisions and providential blessings in athletics at Westminster Academy®!

GO LIONS!

 Forward to a Friend

Westminster Academy® is a Christ-centered, biblically-based college preparatory school dedicated to equipping covenant students to excel by using their gifts and talents for God's glory.

[Forward email](#)

 **SafeUnsubscribe**™

This email was sent to coacheswa@wacad.edu by westminster_@wacad.edu |
Instant removal with [SafeUnsubscribe](#)™ | [Privacy Policy](#).

Westminster Academy | 5601 North Federal Highway | Fort Lauderdale | FL | 33308