

2023 WBCA Scholarship Winners



Michael Borchardt (Rib Lake)

Head Baseball Coach: Dick Iverson

A three-sport student-athlete, Michael earned all-conference in football, basketball, and baseball, and was team captain in both basketball and baseball his senior year. As a 3-year starter for WBCA Hall of Fame coach Dick Iverson, Michael hit .341 as a senior, scoring 28 runs and pitching to a 2.31 ERA. Earning a 3.97 cumulative G.P.A., Michael also found time to volunteer with his church, and as an umpire, and as the 7th grade summer baseball coach. In pursuing a Physical Education degree, he says that he wants *"to be a positive and influential role model for kids."* Coach Iverson feels he's already there by saying, *"Michael is one of the best leaders I have ever had."* He *"has one of the most positive attitudes I have ever seen in my 40 years of coaching."*

*Heading to the University of Northwestern-St. Paul
to study Physical Education*



Jake Christiansen (Wilmot Union)

Head Baseball Coach: Karl Richter

According to his baseball coach, Karl Richter, "*Jake consistently demonstrates remarkable leadership qualities, such as integrity, responsibility, and excellent communication skills.*" This is evident in the number of leadership roles Jake took on. Jake was a four-sport athlete in high school, selected as captain in three: football, basketball, and baseball. This past spring, he led the Panther baseball team in RBIs and Saves while hitting .367 and striking out only six times in ninety plate appearances. While being incredibly busy on the athletic field, Jake somehow found time to volunteer in youth football, basketball, and baseball camps, as well as the Special Olympics basketball tournament. All this while earning a 3.98 G.P.A.

Heading to UW-LaCrosse to study Sports Management and Business



Ethan Daubner (Burlington)

Head Baseball Coach: Scott Staude

In addition to his success in the classroom and on the baseball field, the logical topic to start with in describing Ethan is the amount of volunteering he does. As a member of Burlington high school's student government, Ethan helped organize two blood drives, fundraise for Kiwanis, Salvation Army, and Veterans Outreach of Wisconsin and was a participant in Badger Boys State. He also helped special needs kids through his school's Best Buddies program. In the classroom, he took seven Advanced Placement classes his senior year alone, while earning a WIAA Scholar Athlete Award. Ethan hit clean up for the Demons baseball team that earned a trip to state this past spring. Coach Scott Staude describes Ethan as "*a strong leader and a tireless worker. Teammates gravitate towards Ethan and respond to his work ethic.*"

Heading to UW-Madison for Pharmaceutical Studies



Camden Hoier (West Bend East)

Head Baseball Coach: Zach Fountain

With a 3.98 GPA and earning a 30 on his ACT, Camden definitely demonstrated commitment to his studies. This is especially impressive considering the number of Advanced Placement, Honors, and Project Lead the Way classes he took. On the diamond, Camden earned 1st Team All-Conference and 2nd Team All-District catcher, having hit .411 on 26 hits and driving in 24 for the North Shore champions. He was also team captain for the Suns in 2023. Coach Fountain says Camden was *"our undoubted leader and extension of our coaching staff. I truly cannot say enough good things about the person that Camden is and the effect that he has had on the West Bend East Baseball program"*

Heading to MSOE to study Mechanical Engineering



Jack Schramel (McFarland)

Head Baseball Coach: John Feldner

Jack had an exceptional senior baseball season this past spring. Selected 1st Team all Rock Valley, he hit .481 with 6 home runs, 38 hits, and 16 stolen bases; earning team offensive player of the year. Jack was chosen as team captain and showed his leadership on the field and through volunteering at youth baseball camps for Coach John Feldner. The WBCA Hall of Fame coach says, *“Jack is such a great teammate and leader. Jack brings all of this energy and enthusiasm to practices and games. He is very positive, optimistic and team oriented.”*

Heading to University of Tampa to study Finance



Peter Sellwood (Madison Memorial)

Head Baseball Coach: Nick Krohn

To say that Peter takes his studies seriously might just be an understatement. With goals to enter a very challenging profession in either Physics or Nuclear Engineering, he took nine Advanced Placement classes while in high school, earning a 4.0 while taking five such classes his senior year. In his essay, Peter says *"in all of my activities, both in class and out, I always give my best effort and put all of my energy and focus into the task at hand."* On the baseball field, Peter earned all-conference honors and was also active in his community. Coach Nick Krohn says of him, Peter *"was a leader and core member of the team with his ability to lead by example and always focus on the task at hand."*

Heading to UW-Madison to study Astronomy-Physics or Nuclear Engineering

On behalf of the WBCA, congratulations and best wishes to each of the 2023 WBCA Scholarship Winners.

- Bob Gawlitta -