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## **2018 Academic All-Big 12 Wrestling Team Includes 88 Honorees**

**Irving, Texas** - Eighty-eight student-athletes have been named to the 2018 Academic All-Big 12 Wrestling Team.

The team features 19 student-athletes from Conference member institutions Iowa State, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State and West Virginia, while student-athletes from the league's affiliate members in the sport - Air Force, Fresno State, Northern Colorado, North Dakota State, South Dakota State, Utah Valley and Wyoming - total 68 selections.

Sixty-three student-athletes, including Hank Swalla (Iowa State) and Matt Findlay (Utah Valley) with a 4.00 grade point averages, made the first team while 25 selections make up the second team.

First team members consist of those who have maintained a 3.20 or better GPA while the second team selections hold a 3.00 to 3.19 GPA.

To qualify, student-athletes must maintain a 3.00 GPA or higher either cumulative or the two previous semesters and must have participated in 20 percent of their team's scheduled contests. Freshmen and transfers are not eligible in their first year of academic residence. Senior student-athletes who have participated for a minimum of two years and meet all the criteria except percent of participation are also eligible.

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## 2018 ACADEMIC ALL-BIG 12 WRESTLING TEAM

### FIRST TEAM (3.20-PLUS GPA; \*INDICATES NOMINATED WITH A 4.00 GPA)

Name, School	Class	Major	Hometown
Brady Jennings, Iowa State	R-So.	Kinesiology & Health	Osage, Iowa
Chase Straw, Iowa State	R-So.	Industrial Design	Winthrop, Iowa
Colin Strickland, Iowa State	R-Sr.	Political Science	Pleasant Hill, Iowa
Hank Swalla, Iowa State*	R-So.	Kinesiology & Health	Ames, Iowa
Andrew Dixon, Oklahoma	Sr.	Political Science	Edmond, Okla.
Mike Longo, Oklahoma	Sr.	Arts and Sciences Planned Program	Corona, Calif.
Justin Thomas, Oklahoma	R-Fr.	Criminology	Santa Ana, Calif.
Jonce Blaylock, Oklahoma State	R-Jr.	Secondary Education/Social Studies	Tulsa, Okla.
Gary Wayne Harding, Oklahoma State	R-Jr.	Secondary Education/Social Studies	Collinsville, Okla.
Dean Heil, Oklahoma State	R-Sr.	University Studies/Education	Brunswick, Ohio
Andrew Marsden, Oklahoma State	R-So.	Undeclared	Crystal Lake, Ill.
Hunter Jones, West Virginia	R-Fr.	Business	Charleston, W.Va.
Ryan Lopez, West Virginia	So.	Management	Morgantown, W.Va.
Marcus Amico, Air Force	So.	Foreign Area Studies - Political Science	Anchorage, Alaska
Joshua Giorgio, Air Force	Jr.	Management	Leesport, Pa.
Zen Ikehara, Air Force	Sr.	Systems Engineering	Mililani, Hawaii
Noah Irons, Air Force	Sr.	Systems Engineering	Lake Mills, Iowa
Alexander Lopouchanski, Air Force	Jr.	Management	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
Alec Opsal, Air Force	So.	Civil Engineering	New Fairfield, Conn.
Garrett O'Shea, Air Force	So.	Operations Research	Butler, N.J.
Tyler Wiederholt, Air Force	So.	Geospatial Science	Bellbrook, Ohio
Paul Bianchi, North Dakota State	R-Fr.	Sports Management	Two Rivers, Wisc.
Cordell Eaton, North Dakota State	R-So.	Agricultural and Bio Eng	Long Grove, Iowa
Kyle Gliva, North Dakota State	R-Sr.	Accounting	Inver Grove Heights, Minn.
Clay Ream, North Dakota State	R-Sr.	Biochem & Molecular Bio	Wentzville, Mo.
Dan Stibral, North Dakota State	R-So.	Ag Systems MGMT	Tabor, S.D.
Dylan Urbach, North Dakota State	R-Jr.	Exercise Science	Lisbon, N.D.
Tanner Davis, Northern Colorado	R-Sr.	Sports & Exercise Science/ Nutrition	Spokane, Wash.
Jimmy Fate, Northern Colorado	So.	Business Administration	Berthoud, Colo.
Dylan Gabel, Northern Colorado	R-Jr.	Business Administration	Parker, Colo.
Tyler Kinn, Northern Colorado	Sr.	Human Services	Glendive, Mont.
Richard Montoya, Northern Colorado	Jr.	Human Services	Las Vegas, N.M.
Jacob Seely, Northern Colorado	R-So.	Sports & Exercise Science	Grand Junction, Colo.
Keilan Torres, Northern Colorado	R-Sr.	Communication Studies	Altus, Okla.
Robert Winters, Northern Colorado	R-Fr.	Sports & Exercise Science	Stafford, Va.
Isaiah Patton, Northern Iowa	So.	Art: Studio Emphasis	West Des Moines, Iowa
Max Thomsen, Northern Iowa	So.	Management: Business Administration	La Porte City, Iowa
Colten Carlson, South Dakota State	R-Fr.	Dairy Production	Willmar, Minn.
David Kocer, South Dakota State	Sr.	Agricultural Science	Wagner, S.D.
Alexander Macki, South Dakota State	Sr.	Wildlife/Fisheries Science	Cambridge, Iowa
Logan Peterson, South Dakota State	Jr.	Political Science/History	Lake Lillian, Minn.
Henry Pohlmeier, South Dakota State	So.	Political Science	Johnston, Iowa
Nathan Rotert, South Dakota State	Gr.	Counseling	Spearfish, S.D.
Lucas Zilverberg, South Dakota State	Gr.	Biological Sciences	Belle Plaine, Minn.
Tyler Pieper, South Dakota State	Sr.	Animal Science/Dairy Production	Davis, Ill.
Benjamin Andrew, Utah Valley	R-Fr.	Personal Financial Planning	Mesa, Ariz.
Kimball Bastian, Utah Valley	So.	Exercise Science	Mapleton, Utah
Chase Call, Utah Valley	So.	Accounting	Shelley, Idaho
Matt Findlay, Utah Valley*	R-Fr.	Biology	Draper, Utah
Abel Gomez, Utah Valley	Sr.	Exercise Science	Las Vegas, Nev.
Taylor LaMont, Utah Valley	R-Fr.	Behavioral Science - Psychology	Mapleton, Utah
Grant LaMont, Utah Valley	So.	Business Management - International Business	Mapleton, Utah
Jarod Maynes, Utah Valley	Sr.	Master of Business Administration	Liberty Lake, Wash.
Tanner Orndorff, Utah Valley	So.	Computer Science	Spokane, Wash.
Max Sultan, Utah Valley	So.	Entrepreneurship	Fayetteville, Ga.
Kieffer Taylor, Utah Valley	So.	Communications - Public Relations	Mesa, Ariz.
Montorie Bridges, Wyoming	R-Fr.	Criminal Justice	Altus, Okla.
Thomas Eagan, Wyoming	Sr.	History	Churchville, N.Y.
Bryce Meredith, Wyoming	Sr.	Management	Cheyenne, Wyo.
Luke Paine, Wyoming	Sr.	Physiology	Billings, Mont.
Kyle Pope, Wyoming	Sr.	Communication	Bakersfield, Calif.

Ronald Stevens, Wyoming  
Cody Vigoren, Wyoming

Sr. Sociology  
Sr. Mechanical Engineering

Oakdale, Calif.  
Lake Stevens, Wash.

**SECOND TEAM (3.00-3.19 GPA)**

<b>Name, School</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Major</b>	<b>Hometown</b>
Ian Parker, Iowa State	R-Fr.	Open Option	Saint Johns, Mich.
Christian Moody, Oklahoma	R-So.	Health and Exercise Science	Collinsville, Okla.
Geordan Martinez, Oklahoma State	R-Jr.	Management	Colorado Springs, Colo.
Donald Cannon, Oklahoma State	Sr.	Mechanical Engineering	McAlester, Okla.
Hestin Lamons, Oklahoma State	Sr.	Political Science	Tahlequah, Okla.
Matthew Schmitt, West Virginia	R-Fr.	Business	Platte City, Mo.
Samuel Kreimier, Air Force	Sr.	Management	Fort Collins, Colo.
Anthony McLaughlin, Air Force	Jr.	Management	Cleveland, Ohio
Lyle Plummer, Air Force	Sr.	Management	Dayton, Ohio
Robert Walker, Air Force	Sr.	Management	St. Marys, Iowa
Khristian Olivas, Fresno State	R-So.	Communication	Clovis, Calif.
Nick Knutson, North Dakota State	R-Fr.	Exercise Science	New Prague, Minn.
Tyler McNutt, North Dakota State	R-Jr.	Architecture	Saint Joseph, Mo.
Cole Witzig, North Dakota State	R-Fr.	Social Science Ed	Troy, Ill.
Sethan Bogulski, Northern Colorado	R-Fr.	Sports & Exercise Science	Aurora, Colo.
Ben Polkowske, Northern Colorado	R-Sr.	Business Administration	LaJara, Colo.
Jake Hodges, Northern Iowa	Sr.	Computer Science	Watkinsville, Ga.
Jacob Holschlag, Northern Iowa	So.	Biology	La Porte City, Iowa
Paden Moore, Northern Iowa	So.	Construction Management	Jackson, Minn.
Gary Jantzer, Utah Valley	R-Fr.	Business Management	Coos Bay, Ore.
Durbin Lloren, Utah Valley	R-Fr.	Business Management - General Business	Clovis, Calif.
Raider Lofthouse, Utah Valley	Jr.	Behavior Science - Psychology	Avon, Utah
Matthew Ontiveros, Utah Valley	Jr.	Community Health - Health Services Admin.	Fresno, Calif.
Archibald Colgan, Wyoming	Sr.	Communication	Westminster, Colo.
Benjamin Hornickle, Wyoming	So.	Management	Burlington, Wisc.

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