

Oak Ridge Colts Players and Cheerleaders Honored as Scholar Athletes

Twenty-seven players from the 2005 Oak Ridge Colts football and cheerleading program have been recognized by the National Pop Warner Little Scholars program as All-American Scholars. As recipients of this award, these student athletes rank academically in the top 1% of all children that take part in the Pop Warner Little Scholars spirit and football program.

Alec Grusky, Ryan Overcash, and Samantha Reeves were recognized as First Team All-American Scholars. Only 60 athletes in each grade level (35 football and 25 cheerleading) are recognized nationwide as First-Team Scholars. Benjamin Banick, Reid Baxter, Kevin Beugger, Samuel Collier, Benjamin Dyer, Chris Forlano, Ethan Tingler, Jared Cockerham, Mackenzie Collins, Dalton Dillon, Jon Duncan, Daniel Johnson, Taylor Schmidt, Joseph "Tanner" Slepp, Josh Stork, Andrew Stout, Karin Eliasson, Paige Ward, Patrick Farrell, Brennan Grusky, Kevin Jordan, and Jack White were recognized as Second Team All-American Scholars. Caleb Jones and Tripp West received Honorable Mention. These players will be recognized at the 46th Annual National Awards Recognition Program in Orlando, Florida on Saturday, May 27th.

Patrick Farrell, who was recognized as a First Team Scholar in the Mid-South Pop Warner Region, was awarded the Charles Fowler \$500 Memorial Scholarship at the Mid-South Regional Banquet on April 2nd. Patrick is currently in 8th grade at Northwest Middle School. This scholarship will be held in trust by Pop Warner until Patrick begins college. The Mid-South Pop Warner Region includes leagues in Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia