

Football Receives Five Academic All-District Honorees

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TERRE HAUTE, IN - Five members of the UW-Eau Claire football team have been selected to the 2004 College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) All-District Five College Division Football Team, it was announced recently by district coordinator Kevin Lanke.

Wide receiver **Matt Evensen** (*Jr.-Junction City/Auburndale*) earned first team honors after being named to the second team last year. A kinesiology/pre-med major carrying a 3.83 grade-point average, Evensen ranked sixth in the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) in receiving yards per game (56.3) and seventh in total receptions (48). Evensen led the Blugolds in receptions, receiving touchdowns (5) and kick return yards (206) while finishing second in receiving yards (563) and punt return yards (25). Evensen was an honorable mention All-WIAC selection in 2003.

Offensive lineman **Brandon Basken** (*Jr.-Manitowoc/Lincoln*) joined Evensen on the first team posting a 3.96 grade-point average while majoring in math. Basken started at both right guard and tackle this season for an offense that led the conference in red zone efficiency (scored on 31 of 35 opportunities) and second in sacks allowed (9) and featured the fourth leading passer in the conference in Nels Fredrickson and fifth leading rusher in Joe Gast.

Receiving second team honors is safety **Brent Tieri** (*Jr.-Buffalo, MN/Rockford*). A kinesiology major carrying a 3.70 grade-point average, Tieri led the Blugolds with two interceptions and forced fumbles while ranking second in pass break-ups (4).

Offensive lineman **Pete Monfre** (*Sr.-New Berlin/Eisenhower*) joins Basken on the Academic All-District team being named to the third team. An education major carrying a 3.61 grade-point average, Monfre started 10 games at left guard this season and posted 20 career starts for the Blugolds.

Defensive lineman **Dave Maas** (*Sr.-Waunakee*) joins Monfre on the third team. An elementary education major carrying a 3.66 grade-point average, Maas started 10 games at nose tackle recording 44 tackles, two tackles for loss, one sack and one fumble recovery in 2004. Maas was one of six members who earned the UW-Eau Claire Super Six award this year. The Super Six is the highest reward given to a Blugold student-athlete recognizing both academic and athletic excellence.