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## APP STATE ATHLETICS MISSION

In support of the Educational Mission of the University...

- We protect and promote the safety, health and well-being of each and every one of our student-athletes
- We guide and support our student-athletes in their quest for excellence - academically, athletically and socially
- We gather and engage our University Community to become a part of our plans

## 2018-19 ATHLETICS COUNCIL

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A LETTER FROM

DOUG GILLIN

As we reflect on the 2018-19 academic year, I am amazed by what our student-athletes, coaches and staff were able to accomplish. While our student-athletes continued to excel in the classroom, they also increased their level of giving back to the community and made big strides on the fields of play across several sports.

I am thrilled to report that a school-record 14 of our teams recorded a perfect Academic Progress Rate score of 1,000 for the most recent cycle – best among Sun Belt schools. Every women’s team on our campus received a perfect APR score and also boasts a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better.

Appalachian student-athletes averaged better than a 3.0 GPA for the 14th straight semester, and their 3.16 cumulative GPA after spring 2019 grades were calculated broke a school record set just last year.

The academic success of our student-athletes has never been better. Credit goes to our coaches for recruiting high-caliber students, our academic support staff for their tireless efforts, and of course our student-athletes for their ability to balance the demands of high-level collegiate athletics and their academic coursework.

In the community, our student-athletes have never recorded as many hours of service as they did in 2018-19. They logged more than 10,000 hours of volunteer work from May through April. The High Country community does so much to support the Mountaineers, and we’re grateful for the opportunity to give back to those in need.

In the fall, football captured its third straight Sun Belt title by defeating Louisiana 30-19 right here in Kidd Brewer Stadium to win the inaugural Sun Belt Championship Game. In the R+L Carriers New Orleans Bowl, the Mountaineers were up to the challenge and won 45-13 to give our program a perfect 4-0 bowl record in as many years.

Women’s cross country won their second Sun Belt championship in the last three years, and the volleyball team won their first Sun Belt East title and made it to the championship match of the league tournament. With a trip to the NIVC, volleyball earned their first postseason bid since 1994.

Our wrestling team continued its winning ways by capturing a fourth straight regular-season SoCon title and sending four wrestlers to the NCAA Championships for the fourth straight year.

I will always remember how it felt to celebrate a WBI Championship on the Holmes Center court with our women’s basketball team. What an accomplishment for Angel Elderkin and her team that has fought through so much adversity to be able to cut down the nets and hoist a trophy at the end of the year.

Our women’s tennis team won a Sun Belt regular-season championship – the first league title in the history of the program. Sun Belt Coach of the Year Blake Mosley’s squad is on the rise.

Our softball program had a breakout season. They tied the school record for most wins in a season (31), made their first trip to the Sun Belt Tournament and earned their first ever postseason appearance. The team went .500 (13-13) in one of the top softball conferences in the country, winning nine more league games than they had in any other season since joining the Sun Belt. What a remarkable turnaround!

Several other sports - such as men’s soccer and baseball - also made strides by posting their best records since joining the Sun Belt.

As you’ll see throughout the pages of this Annual Report, we continue to commit major resources toward the health and well-being of our student-athletes, as well as investing in facilities at which our young men and women can train and compete at the highest level of intercollegiate sports.

None of the efforts made by our student-athletes, coaches and staff would be possible without the generous support of the Appalachian Family. Our goals are to continue to support the educational mission of this great university, to win championships and to adhere to our core values of academic integrity, social responsibility, competitive excellence and a world-class experience.

Go Mountaineers!

Doug Gillin
Appalachian State Director of Athletics
CHAMPIONSHIP SPORTS

2019 SoCon Wrestling Champions

2018 Sun Belt Women’s XC Champions

2019 Sun Belt Women’s Tennis Champions
Led by Championship Game MVP Darrynton Evans (left), App State won its third straight Sun Belt title with a 30-19 victory over Louisiana in the inaugural league title game, played in Boone.

The Mountaineers beat Middle Tennessee 45-13 in the R+L Carriers New Orleans Bowl to run their FBS-best bowl record to 4-0.
TRENDING

BUBAS CUP STANDINGS
Sun Belt All-Sports Award (based on team finishes in league)

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BIG JUMPS IN 2018-19
Several Mountaineer teams made significant progress in 2018-19. Below are a few examples.

VOLLEYBALL:
Went 22-9, claimed first Sun Belt East title and earned first postseason bid since 1994

MEN’S SOCCER:
Made the Sun Belt tourney semifinals and posted best record since joining league

WOMEN’S TENNIS:
Sun Belt Champions (9-1 in league play) - the program’s first ever league title

SOFTBALL:
Tied school record for wins (31) and earned first Sun Belt tourney and postseason bids
- **WRESTLING** won its FOURTH straight regular-season Southern Conference Championship and sent four wrestlers to the NCAA Championships for the fourth straight year.

- **FOOTBALL** captured its THIRD straight Sun Belt title and FOURTH straight bowl victory, becoming the first school in history to win each of its first four bowl games in consecutive seasons.

- **WOMEN’S BASKETBALL** won 22 games - its most since 2011-12 - and ran its first postseason berth in six years all the way to a WBI Championship, a 76-59 win over North Texas in front of a Holmes Center record crowd.

- **WOMEN’S CROSS COUNTRY** surged to its second Sun Belt title in three years. The men won the 2017 crown between the two women’s titles.

- **BASEBALL** won its most league contests (13) since joining the Sun Belt and advanced to the league tournament for the first time.

## 2018-19 POSTSEASON TEAMS

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## MOUNTAINEERS ON NATIONAL TV

App State Football has played in front of a national TV audience 18 times since joining the Sun Belt.

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2018-19 STANDOUTS

**Matt Zovistoski** - NWCA Division I Scholar All-American

**Tristian Shaver** - Sun Belt Indoor Pole Vault Champion

**Jordan Dale** - Sun Belt Indoor High Jump Champion

**Darrynton Evans** - Sun Belt Championship Game MVP

**Izzy Evely** - Sun Belt Cross Country Freshman of the Year

**Elliot Graves** - Sun Belt Indoor 60m Hurdles Champion and Outdoor 400m Hurdles Champion

**Luke Drumheller** - Freshman All-American

**Pre Stanley** - WBI Tournament MVP

COACHING AWARDS

**Scott Satterfield** - Sun Belt Football Coach of the Year

**Mike Curcio** - Sun Belt Women’s Cross Country Coach of the Year

**Blake Mosley** - Sun Belt Women’s Tennis Coach of the Year
2018-19 ALL-CONFERENCE

FIRST TEAM (27)
- Izzy Evely - W Cross Country
- Phylissa Greeley - W Cross Country
- Veerle Van Heerum - Field Hockey (MAC)
- Clifton Duck - Football
- Darrynto Evans - Football
- Austin Exford - Football
- Jordan Fehr - Football
- Desmond Franklin - Football
- Noah Hannon - Football
- Victor Johnson - Football
- MyQuon Stout - Football
- Jake Chasteen - M Soccer
- Zeiko Harris - M Soccer
- Felix Kollmannthal - M Soccer
- Kat Greer - W Soccer
- Kenzie Longanecker - Softball
- Sandra Anglesjö - W Tennis (doubles)
- Teodora Sevo - W Tennis (doubles)
- Jordan Dale - M Indoor Track & Field
- Elliott Graves - M Indoor Track & Field
- Tristan Shaver - M Indoor Track & Field
- Elliott Graves - M Outdoor Track & Field
- Emma Longley - Volleyball
- Becky Porter - Volleyball
- Alan Clothier - Wrestling (SoCon)
- Randall Diabe - Wrestling (SoCon)
- Cary Miller - Wrestling (SoCon)

SECOND TEAM (27)
- Ronshad Shabazz - M Basketball
- Dakota Mendenhall - M Cross Country
- Elisa Sargent - W Cross Country
- Annette Jarosz - Field Hockey (MAC)
- Akeem Davis-Gaither - Football
- Anthony Flory - Football
- Chandler Greer - Football
- Tae Hayes - Football
- Baer Hunter - Football
- Ryan Neuzil - Football
- Corey Sutton - Football
- Josh Thomas - Football
- Zac Thomas - Football
- Ian Bennett - M Soccer
- Austin Hill - M Soccer
- Camden Holbrook - M Soccer
- Alex McGrath - M Soccer
- Keri White - Softball
- Teodora Sevo - W Tennis (singles)
- Hana Ratcliffe - W Indoor Track & Field
- Brenton Evin - M Outdoor Track & Field
- Jaba Johnson - M Outdoor Track & Field
- Jalen Vigil - M Outdoor Track & Field
- Kate Butler - W Outdoor Track & Field
- Emily Fedders - W Outdoor Track & Field
- Emma Reilly - Volleyball
- Kara Spicer - Volleyball

THIRD TEAM (13)
- Bayley Plummer - W Basketball
- Gable Dershem - M Cross Country
- Emily Fedders - W Cross Country
- Samantha Kolor - W Cross Country
- Collin Reed - Football
- Gable Dershem - M Indoor Track & Field
- Izzy Evely - W Indoor Track & Field
- Kylee Frady - W Indoor Track & Field
- Phylissa Greeley - W Indoor Track & Field
- Araybian Lilly - W Indoor Track & Field
- Ashley Muschiatti - W Indoor Track & Field
- Elisa Sargent - W Indoor Track & Field
- Peter Kenn - M Outdoor Track & Field

AWARD WINNERS

Google Cloud Academic All-District

Cross country and distance runner Emily Fedders

Pole vaulter Hannah Emory

Jake Chasteen was the Sun Belt Men’s Soccer Co-Player of the Year and a Google Cloud Academic All-American.

Zac Thomas was the Sun Belt Football Offensive Player of the Year and the R+L Carriers New Orleans Bowl MVP.
Appalachian State celebrated the 2018-19 year of student-athlete and athletic achievements at the APPSPYS awards banquet in April.

Dressed to impress, App State student-athletes, coaches, administrators and staff members gathered to recognize another year of outstanding accomplishments for the Mountaineers.

The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) organized the event, with football player Noah Hannon and baseball player Kaleb Bowman serving as co-hosts. SAAC members voted on the awards and also presented them during the APPSPYS.

**SPECIALTY AWARD WINNERS**

**FEMALE STUDENT-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR** Madi Story (Women’s Basketball)
**MALE STUDENT-ATHLETE OF THE YEAR** Tristan Shaver (Men’s Track & Field)
**BEST INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE** Madi Story (Women’s Basketball)
**COACH OF THE YEAR** Angel Elderkin (Women’s Basketball)
**MALE NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR** Luke Drumheller (Baseball)
**FEMALE NEWCOMER OF THE YEAR** Izzy Evely (Women’s Cross Country/Track & Field)
**MOUNTAINEER COURAGE AWARD** Tyrell Johnson (Men’s Basketball)
**LAPS FOR APPS AWARD** Hana Ratcliffe (Women’s Cross Country)
**GERALD ADAMS ALL FOR APP AWARD** Ashley Muschiatti (Women’s Track & Field)
**BRAKEFIELD AWARD** Jake Chasteen (Men’s Soccer)
**GOODYEAR FAMILY ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP** Jillian Ulrey (Field Hockey)
**RICK EDMUNDSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** Blake Carter (Men’s Tennis)
**JULIA ADAMS SCHOLARSHIP** Rainey Dellinger (Cheerleading)
**BEST TEAM MOMENT** Women’s Cross Country
**BEST SEASON** Women’s Basketball
**TEAM ACADEMIC AWARD** Women’s Cross Country
**MOUNTAINEER MOVES COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD** Women’s Soccer
**IRON UNIT AWARD** Football
**ATHLETIC TRAINER OF THE YEAR** Maggie Berkowitz
**JACK BRANCH AWARD** Jason Freeman
**RON “DOC” KANOY AWARD** Rob Hamlet
**PROFESSOR OF THE YEAR** Dr. Amanda Howell
**LIP SYNC AWARD** Football

Members of SAAC organized the 2019 APPSPYS. Members presented awards throughout the program and also voted on the winners of each category.
TEAM MVPs

BASEBALL Kaleb Bowman
MEN’S BASKETBALL Ronshad Shabazz
WOMEN’S BASKETBALL Madi Story
MEN’S CROSS COUNTRY Collin Loy
WOMEN’S CROSS COUNTRY Phylissa Greeley
FOOTBALL MyQuon Stout
FIELD HOCKEY Veerle Van Heertum
MEN’S GOLF Chance Watson
WOMEN’S GOLF Joliana Elias
MEN’S SOCCER Zeiko Harris
WOMEN’S SOCCER Alexa Asher
SOFTBALL Entire Team

MEN’S TENNIS Milo Bargeron
WOMEN’S TENNIS Teodora Sevo
MEN’S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD Tristan Shaver
WOMEN’S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD Phylissa Greeley
MEN’S OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD Elliott Graves
WOMEN’S OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD Kate Butler
VOLLEYBALL Emma Longley
WRESTLING Randall Diabe

MOUNTAINEER POWER CLUB

BASEBALL Brandon Boone, C.J. Brown
MEN’S BASKETBALL Trey Ford
WOMEN’S BASKETBALL Nicola Matthews
CHEERLEADING (CO-ED) Ben Bullins
CHEERLEADING (CHEER) Ashley Giordano
CROSS COUNTRY Elsa Sargent
FIELD HOCKEY Rachel Gaines
MEN’S GOLF Noah Schneider
WOMEN’S GOLF Jolina Elias
MEN’S SOCCER Alex McGrath
WOMEN’S SOCCER Jessica Easley
SOFTBALL Jenny Dodd
MEN’S TENNIS Alex Brea
WOMEN’S TENNIS Teodora Sevo
MEN’S TRACK & FIELD Tristan Shaver, Elliott Graves
WOMEN’S TRACK & FIELD Madison McCoy
VOLLEYBALL Emma Longley
WRESTLING Cary Miller
In September, Appalachian State University and the Department of Athletics recognized the milestone of 50 years of women’s sports at App State. Current and former female student-athletes came together for a Trailblazers Dinner, recognition at that weekend’s App State football game and a ribbon cutting ceremony for field hockey’s new fieldhouse.

The celebration kicked off with the Trailblazers Dinner to honor individuals and leaders in the success of women’s sports at Appalachian. Women were flipping through the pages of old photo albums from their time at App State, sharing smiles with former teammates and lifelong friends. The inaugural field hockey team even broke out in chant as they once did on the grass field at Durham Park.

Chancellor Sheri Everts noted that “the 1968 field hockey team proved they deserved an opportunity.”

Appalachian State honored seven individuals as TRAILBLAZERS during the Trailblazers Dinner:

- **JAN WATSON** - Field Hockey Head Coach
- **JIM JONES** - Former Director of Athletics
- **CAROL ALMOND** - Women’s Basketball
- **JUDY CLARKE** - First Senior Woman Administrator, Volleyball Head Coach and Women’s Basketball Head Coach
- **JANET GORDON HALL** - First triple sport Hall of Fame inductee from Women’s Tennis, Volleyball and Women’s Basketball
- **MELISSA MORRISON HOWARD** - First Appalachian Olympian, Track & Field
- **LINDA ROBINSON** - First female Athletics Director at App State, Women’s Basketball Head Coach
The celebration continued during App State’s 72-7 football victory over Gardner-Webb, when 250 former female student-athletes were recognized between the first and second quarters at the football game. As they were awaiting their cue to walk onto the field to be recognized, they shared a moment of celebration with App State running back Jalin Moore as he scored the Mountaineers’ fourth touchdown of the game after an 81-yard run.

The celebration of 50 years of women’s sports at App State concluded with a special ribbon-cutting ceremony of the new Brandon & Erica M. Adcock Field Hockey Complex before the start of the Mountaineers’ contest against Louisville.

App State Director of Athletics Doug Gillin and field hockey alum Erica Adcock expressed their appreciation for all the donors and alums who contributed to a past history and a bright future for the program.

More than 100 field hockey alumnae were recognized during halftime. Some brought their own field hockey sticks with them onto the field and hit a ball around with each other as if they’d never stopped playing.
Appalachian State student-athletes pride themselves in giving back to the community of Boone since they are endlessly devoted to the success of the university and its athletic programs.

This past year (May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019), the Mountaineers completed more than 10,474 hours of community service – the most community service hours ever recorded by App State Athletics.

10,474

volunteer hours in the community
during the 2018-19 academic year

5,898

more hours than the 2017-18
academic year

Throughout the school year, several Mountaineers volunteered for a mentoring program for elementary students through the Western Youth Network. Others helped with food drives with the Hunger and Health Coalition, freshman move-in and Habitat for Humanity, among other activities. Women’s soccer totaled the highest amount of volunteer hours with 1,683 hours and an average of 58.06 hours per student-athlete. Women’s cross country came in second with 1,422 hours while averaging 56.89 hours per student-athlete.

Via the Mountaineers RISE program, our student-athletes not only give back to the community, but also regularly receive leadership training and life skills mentoring in the areas of personal finance, etiquette, career preparedness and campus involvement outside of athletics.
#1 IN SUN BELT

In hours recorded by the Helper Helper platform, which tracks service hours for schools representing 46 states and is the official partner for NCAA Team Works, App State ranked No. 6 nationally and No. 1 among Sun Belt schools in community service hours for the 2018-19 academic-year.

#6 NATIONALLY

Among all men’s sports teams with hours recorded through Helper Helper, App State Baseball ranked No. 3 nationally, and App State Wrestling ranked No. 1 among all Division I wrestling programs.

App State finished with top 10 sport rankings in field hockey (No. 2), men’s track and field (No. 3), men’s soccer (No. 4), women’s basketball (No. 6), football (No. 7), women’s track and field (No. 8), softball (No. 8), men’s basketball (No. 10) and women’s soccer (No. 10).

Top Men’s Teams

1. NCCU
   MEN’S BASKETBALL
2. Towson University
   MEN’S BASKETBALL
3. Appalachian State University
   MEN’S BASEBALL
4. Liberty University
   MEN’S SOCCER
5. Tulane University
   MEN’S GOLF
The cumulative GPA for Appalachian State student-athletes after spring 2019 sits at 3.16, topping the record-setting average of 3.14 as of fall 2018.

A total of 61 student-athletes graduated from App this spring, including at least one student-athlete from each sport.

Since its 2014-15 transition to the Sun Belt Conference for all but two sports (wrestling and field hockey), App State has paced the league in academic performance among its student-athletes. In the 2016-17 academic year, App State won the Sun Belt Institutional Graduation Rate Award for the second time in three years. The Mountaineers totaled 95 student-athletes on the Commissioner’s List (3.5+ GPA) and 115 on the Academic Honor Roll (3.0-3.49 GPA) after the 2017-18 academic year. In May 2019, it was announced that App State led all Sun Belt schools with a school-record 14 teams that achieved a perfect 1,000 single-year APR score.

Twelve teams finished with a spring 2019 semester GPA over 3.0, four of which were better than 3.5 (women’s cross country, women’s golf, women’s soccer and volleyball).
Dr. Desaree Festa and Appalachian State athletics announced a partnership in March 2019. Dr. Festa has an extensive background working with professional and collegiate athletes. She will work closely with Mountaineer student-athletes to strengthen them in all life areas, such as performance and personal life challenges through the latest techniques, evidence-based approaches and technological tools.

Dr. Festa's work has been featured throughout empirical research, articles in professional journals and a published chapter in a sports parenting book. Her work has also been featured on many news outlets.

She is both a licensed psychologist and a certified mental performance consultant. In addition, Dr. Festa also has training in the latest technology and biofeedback approaches.
Launched in February 2017, A MOUNTAINEER IMPACT is designed to provide essential resources for Appalachian State Athletics. Our vision is to build upon the solid foundation of championship tradition at Appalachian. The needs include competitive facilities, scholarships and operational funding to continue to compete at the Division I and FBS level. The ultimate goal of this pursuit is to provide current and future Mountaineer student-athletes opportunities for success in everything they do.

A MOUNTAINEER IMPACT WILL ALLOW APPALACHIAN STATE ATHLETICS TO...

- Continue supporting the University’s educational mission.
- Engage the University community; strategize and partner.
- Guide, inspire and support Mountaineer student-athletes to be lifelong leaders and transition to successful alumni.
- Build upon the foundation of academic distinction and competitive excellence.
- Compete on the national stage in all sports.
- Raise $60 million over a six-year period.
- Continue to elevate and strengthen our national brand and become a source of pride for constituents—alumni, family and friends.
- Define the Moment.

$60 MILLION DRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE PRIORITIES

- Facilities
- Yosef Club Scholarship and Annual Fund
- Endowments Student-Athlete Experience Enhancements
- Sport-Specific Program Funding
- Competitive Salaries
**APPALACHIAN 105**

Built on the site of the old Watauga High School off Highway 105 in Boone, the Appalachian 105 complex will feature new homes for the App State track & field, tennis and softball programs. The complex is expected to include a track, four indoor tennis courts, six outdoor tennis courts, a softball stadium, a multi-use field and a building with shared team spaces and offices. The project timeline is still being determined.

**NORTH END ZONE**

Owens Field House was demolished in March, and its $45 million replacement will be 87,000 square feet of space to accommodate various athletics and academic uses, including spaces for athletic training, hydrotherapy, locker rooms, conference and continuing education training, medical offices, coaches and staff offices, dining facilities, a team store, ticketing office and 1,000 premium seats added to the existing Kidd Brewer Stadium seating structure.
FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS

KIDD BREWER STADIUM VIDEOBOARD

Philanthropic funding through A Mountaineer Impact, A Drive for Excellence provided visible enhancements to Kidd Brewer Stadium in 2017, most notably new video displays, ribbon displays and a custom audio system.

Three times the size of the previous video board, the new football display is the largest of its kind among the Group of Five conferences with 2,500 square feet to feature 13HD technology from Daktronics. The board in Kidd Brewer Stadium measures 50 feet high by 90 feet wide for the overall scoreboard, with the new LED display measuring more than 37 feet high by 67 feet wide. The display includes more than 2 million LEDs and features a 13HD pixel layout for crisp, clear imagery with wide angle visibility and industry-leading environmental protection.

HOLMES CENTER VIDEOBOARD

In the Holmes Center, a center-hung video board for basketball and volleyball was installed. Made up of nine displays, the board features more than 1,200 square feet of displays and more than 2.1 million LEDs. The four main displays each measure approximately 11.5 feet high by 17.5 feet wide and feature 6-millimeter line spacing to deliver exceptional image clarity and contrast to every seat in the arena.

THANKS TO THE GENEROSITY OF MOUNTAINEER SUPPORTERS, SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS IS BEING MADE ON THE NORTH END ZONE AND APPALACHIAN 105 PROJECTS. (SEE PAGES 16-17)
FIELD HOCKEY FACILITY
The updated facility located at Brandon & Erica M. Adcock Field features a fieldhouse with home and visitor locker rooms with showers, home and visitor team lounges, a coaches locker room, an officials room and dedicated entries for the Mountaineers and visitors. For enhanced fan experience on gamedays, public restrooms have been added.

TED MACKORELL SOCCER COMPLEX TURF RENOVATION
Appalachian Soccer plays at the Appalachian Soccer Stadium at the Ted Mackorell Soccer Complex that was completed in 2008. The facility features artificial field turf as well as a picturesque panoramic view of the beautiful surrounding Blue Ridge Mountains. New turf has been installed this summer.

VOLLEYBALL LOCKER ROOM
In 2018, members of the Appalachian State volleyball team reacted with excitement as they took a first-look tour of their new Holmes Center locker room, which includes a team meeting space, additional lockers and an area for the student-athletes to study.

VARSITY GYM WRESTLING FACILITY
Varsity Gymnasium, a cornerstone for generations of Appalachian students, for academics, athletics, and former host to graduations and commencements, is the current home to the Mountaineer wrestling program. The updated facility features wrestling room mats, wall mats, and graphics. The locker rooms were expanded and renovated, and portable, permanent bleachers were added to enhance fan experience.
For more than 40 years, the Yosef Club has been aiding Appalachian’s student-athletes through scholarship, athletic facility enhancement and programmatic needs support.

More than 450 student-athletes make the App Family proud through their high academic and athletic performance as well as their service throughout the High Country community.

“Thank you for everything you do for us as student-athletes. It is an honor and a privilege to be playing and studying at this amazing university.”

Kendall McGowan, Baseball

“To all the Yosef Club members, I would like to thank you for supporting me and giving me the option to play the sport I love and get an education.”

Kaley Selner, Field Hockey

“Thank you so much for the blessing of a scholarship. I hope I can do the same for a future Mountaineer.”

Ian Bennett, Men’s Soccer

The Yosef Club received record-breaking total contributions in 2018-19. App State Athletics thanks all members of the App Family for their support.
HEAD COACHES

JOHNMARK BENTLEY
Wrestling

HEATHER BROWN
Women’s Golf

MICHAEL CURCIO
Men’s & Women’s Cross Country

MEGHAN DAWSON
Field Hockey

ELIAH DRINKWITZ
Football

ANGEL ELDERKIN
Women’s Basketball

MATT GINIPRO
Volleyball

SHELLY HOERNER
Softball

DUSTIN KERNS
Men’s Basketball

DAMION MCLEAN
Men’s & Women’s Track & Field

BLAKE MOSLEY
Women’s Tennis

JASON O’KEEFE
Men’s Soccer

CRAIG SCHWARTZ
Men’s Tennis

KERMIT SMITH
Baseball

SARAH STRICKLAND
Women’s Soccer

TBA
Men’s Golf
This quote tweet of a gorgeous @appstate photo received over 85k impressions, 621 likes and 88 retweets.

The Welcome Home video on Facebook reached 198,428 people. It got over 71k views, 7,473 reactions and 1,237 shares.

The video of Angel Elderkin and her story about how basketball saved her life was the most viewed video this year on Facebook. It reached 77,560 people with 53,000 views and 3,795 reactions, comments & shares.

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22,037 total followers as of June 2019
2,076 followers gained since June 2018

31,100 total followers as of June 2019
2,837 followers gained since June 2018

12,200 total followers as of June 2018
3,562 followers gained since June 2018

TOP 3 Instagram posts of the 2018-19 academic year
App State Football has ranked top three in the Sun Belt in average attendance every year since joining the league in 2014.

Mountaineer fans showed their support throughout App State’s run to the Women’s Basketball Invitation-al title, setting a Holmes Center record for a women’s hoops crowd at the championship game win over North Texas.

But even more than the impressive numbers, App State supporters are a family committed to winning and doing it the right way. It’s culture. It’s passion. It’s loyalty. It’s Great to Be a Mountaineer!