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Missouri Valley Football Conference Announces 2022 Scholar-Athlete Team

ST. LOUIS -- LB Zeke Vandenburg of Illinois State highlights a list of 39 student-athletes named today to the 2022 all-Missouri Valley Football Conference Scholar-Athlete Team. Vandenburg was voted MVFC Scholar-Athlete of the Year by league sports information directors. He carries a 4.0 while pursuing his graduate degree in Sport Management. He achieved a perfect 4.0 GPA while earning his undergraduate degree in exercise science.

Nominees must be starters or important reserves; must have participated in at least 50 percent of his team's games and carry a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.50 (on a 4.0 scale). Nominees in graduate school must have a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or better both as an undergrad AND in graduate school.

Additionally, nominees must have reached sophomore athletic and academic standing at their institution and must have completed at least one calendar year at their institution. True freshmen, red-shirt freshmen and ineligible athletic transfers are not eligible. Graduate students who are competing at a different institution than the one from which they earned their undergraduate degree are eligible even if they are in their first semester at the graduate institution. League sports information directors voted on the team by designating 11 players for first-team honors and 11 players for second-team honors.

2022 Missouri Valley Football Conference Scholar-Athlete Team

FIRST TEAM

Student-Athlete, School	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	GPA*	Major	Hometown/High School
QB Zack Annexstad, Illinois State	6-3	220	Jr.	4.00	Sport Management	Norseland, Minn./IMG Academy
LB Adam Bock, South Dakota State	6-1	215	Jr.	3.82	Mechanical Engineering	Solon, Iowa/Solon
TE Bryson Deming, Illinois State	6-4	240	Gr.	4.00	Exercise Physiology	Billings, Mont./Billings West
FB Jacob Garrett, Southern Illinois	6-2	247	Jr.	3.99	Business Administration	Sellersburg, Ind./Silver Creek
DS Dalton Godfrey, South Dakota	6-2	240	Sr.	4.00	Business Administration	Cedar Falls, Iowa/Cedar Falls
QB Mark Gronowski, South Dakota State	6-3	220	So.	3.71	Mechanical Engineering	Naperville, Ill./Neuqua Valley
WR Dante Hendrix, Indiana State	6-3	210	R-Sr.	3.74	Business Administration	Florence, Ky./Randall K. Cooper
RB Tyler Hoosman, North Dakota	6-0	215	Gr.	3.71	Business Administration	Plainfield, Ill./Plainfield
LT Alex Jensen, South Dakota	6-7	290	Gr.	3.87	Business/Marketing	Plymouth, Minn./Wayzata High
LB James Kaczor, North Dakota State	6-0	215	Sr.	3.80	Manufacturing Engineering	St. Cloud, Minn./St. Cloud Tech
LB Zeke Vandenburg, Illinois State	6-3	235	Gr.	4.00	Sport Management	Freeport, Ill./Freeport
DE Reece Winkelman, South Dakota State	6-4	245	Gr.	3.92	Business Economics	Marshall, Minn./Marshall

SECOND TEAM

QB Nic Baker, Southern Illinois	5-9	204	Jr.	3.53	Finance	Rochester, Ill./Rochester
WR Canyon Bauer, South Dakota State	6-0	195	Jr.	3.92	Exercise Science/Pre-Physical Therapy	Sioux Falls, S.D./O'Gorman
WR Dakota Caton, Indiana State	5-10	185	R-Jr.	4.00	Sport Management	Sullivan, Ind./Sullivan
LB Spencer Cuvelier, UNI	6-3	239	R-Sr.	3.62	Business Financial Investments & Real Estate	Cresco, Iowa/Crestwood
WR Jaxon Janke, South Dakota State	6-3	210	Sr.	3.55	Physical Education/Teacher Education	Madison, S.D./Madison
PK Colt McFadden, Youngstown State	6-4	194	Sr.	3.64	Business Leadership	Poland, Ohio/Poland
DL Ben McNaboe, North Dakota	6-3	240	Jr.	3.87	Kinesiology	Rogers, Minn./Rogers
OL David Metzler, Youngstown State	6-5	310	So.	4.00	Biology/Pre-Med	Hilliard, Ohio/Hilliard Bradley
DT Will Mostaert, North Dakota State	6-2	260	Jr.	3.75	Business Administration	Lakeville, Minn./Lakeville North
P Cade Peterson, North Dakota	6-1	200	5th	3.86	Mathematics	Kewaskum, Wis./Kewaskum
QB Tommy Schuster, North Dakota	6-0	195	Jr.	3.75	Operations & Supply Chain Management	Macomb, Mich./Chippewa Valley
LB Luke Weerts, North Dakota State	6-1	218	RJr.	3.84	Business Administration	Batavia, Ill./Batavia
LB Caden White, North Dakota	6-3	235	Sr.	3.98	Biology	Sun Prairie, Wis./Sun Prairie
TE Adam Zavalney, North Dakota	6-4	235		3.97	Physical Therapy	Park River, N.D./Park River Area-Fordville-Lankin

*Graduate GPAs listed for qualifying student-athletes

HONORABLE MENTION

Illinois State: TE Tanner Taula. **Indiana State:** DB Rylan Cole; DL Lucas Hunter. **North Dakota:** DB Ethan Ball; OL Ben Christian; DL Craig Orlando; K Brady Stevens. **North Dakota State:** S Sam Jung; RG Jake Kubas; LB Julian Wlodarczyk. **South Dakota:** QB Carson Camp; LB Brock Mogensen. **Southern Illinois:** DT Keenan Agnew.