Six Mount Mercy Academy Spring Athletes Earn All-Catholic Honors

Four softball players and two lacrosse players from Mount Mercy Academy were named to their sport All-Catholic squads. Four juniors from the regular season co-champion softball team, Laura Gregory (Buffalo), Allison Rogowski (West Seneca), Emily Lewandowski (East Aurora) and Chloe Manikowski (Depew) were honored. Seniors Brianna Gawronski (Dunkirk) and Arielle Brown (Buffalo) from the playoff runner-up lacrosse team were also awarded honors.

Gregory, a pitcher and infielder, was named as the league's pitcher of the year. She posted a 3-0 record on the mound, pitching 18 2/3 innings, giving up two earned runs and 13 hits while striking out 28 batters. She had an earned run average of 75. She was also one of the team's top hitters, with 15 hits, including two doubles, a triple and a home run. She drove in nine runs and had a .652 batting average. She was also a First Team All-Catholic choice last year.

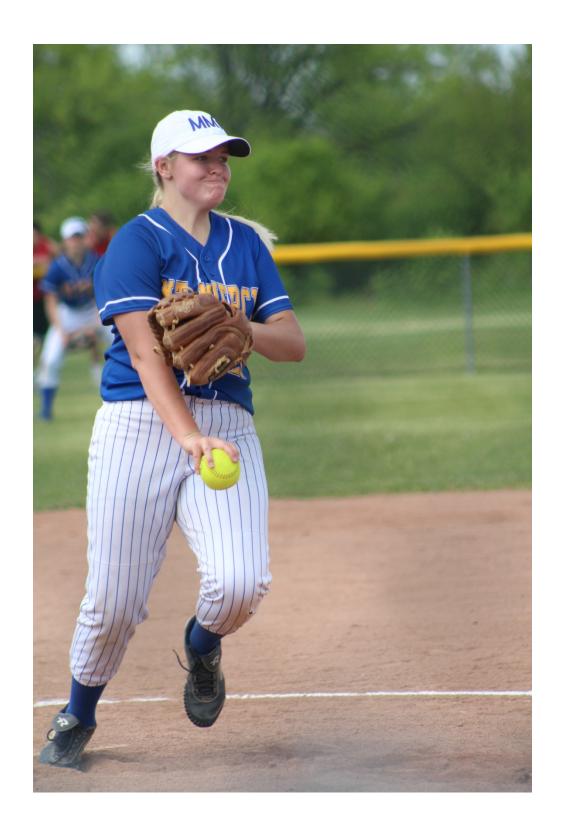
Rogowski, also a pitcher and infielder, returned to the first team as well. She posted a 4-1 record while splitting the pitching duties with Gregory. She gave up 26 hits and struck out 20. She also was a top batter, cracking 13 hits, including two doubles and two home runs. She drove in 15 runs and had a .619 batting average.

Lewandowski, an infielder, was selected a First Team All-Catholic for the first time. She led the team in home runs with four and in runs batted in with 16. She scored 16 runs this season and had a .467 batting average.

Manikowski, a very versatile player, saw action in the infield, on the mound and behind the plate this season. She returned to the Second Team All-Catholic squad for the second straight year. She had 13 hits including four doubles and drove in 11 runs. She also scored 11 times.

Gawronski, the lacrosse team's goalie, returned as a First Team All-Catholic for the second straight year. She had the best save percentage among the league's goalies and helped the Magic to the League championships for the second straight year.

Brown was honored as an All-Catholic for the first time this season. She was the team's leading scorer, amassing 25 goals and seven assists this season. She will continue her lacrosse career at Mercyhurst University next year.



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