



Seven GCHS Student-Athletes Sign National Letters Of Intent

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GRANITE CITY– Director of Athletics John Moad announced that seven Granite City High School student-athletes signed National Letters of Intent (NLI) for the 2021-22 academic year.

Anna Krueger (Evangel, women's soccer), Lacey Kunz (Western Colorado, women's cross country), Rianna Lange (Southwestern Illinois College, women's soccer), Kasey Neidhardt (Illinois State, women's soccer), Darcy Popmarkoff (Southwestern Illinois College, Women's Soccer), Mason Roehr (Missouri State, baseball) and Claire Sykes (Central Methodist, women's cross country) have all committed to playing their respective sports collegiately.



Anna Krueger / *Evangel / Women's Soccer*

Honors: National Honor Society, Warrior Student-Athlete Award, Member of Gateway Rush Club Team

Stats: One league goal

Anticipated Major: Art Education

Parents: Anthony and Beth Krueger



Lacey Kunz / *Western Colorado / Women's Cross Country*

Honors: All Warrior Award, All In Award, National Honor Society, Honor Roll

Stats: Alton Invite Individual champion (19:11), 2020 Sectional qualifier, Member of two-time Alton Invite and Collinsville Invite Team champion.

Anticipated Major: Exercise sports science or sports psychology

Parent: Terri Kunz



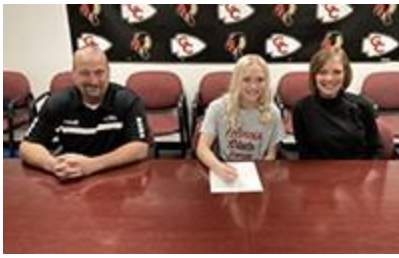
Rianna Lange / *Southwestern Illinois College / Women's Soccer*

Honors: Member of Gateway Rush Club Team, Honor Roll, National Honor Society

Stats: n/a

Anticipated Major: Medicine

Parents: David and Sarah Lange



Kasey Neidhardt / *Illinois State / Women's Soccer*

Honors: Helped team to combined 25 wins in two seasons, Member of three-time Missouri State champion Lou Fusz, Riverbend Player of the Month, IHSA Honorable-Mention All-State

Stats: Has 10 goals and five assists for 25 points in two seasons, Led team in goals (9), points (20) and game-winning goals (3) as a sophomore

Anticipated Major: Accounting

Parents: Joshua and Lori Neidhardt



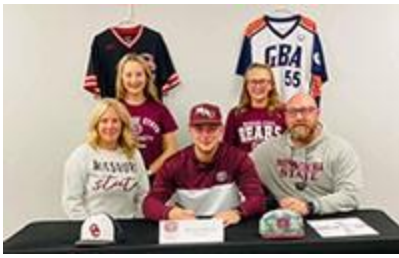
Darcy Popmarkoff / *Southwestern Illinois College / Women's Soccer*

Honors: Rotary Student of the Month, National Honor Society, Student Council, Renaissance Top 10 Student of the Month, Captain of the Girls Tennis Team, Outstanding Remote Learning Student Award.

Stats: Had one goal as a sophomore

Anticipated Major: Dermatology

Parents: Phil and Darla Popmarkoff



Mason Roehr / *Missouri State* / *Baseball*

Honors: Second-Team All-Southwestern Conference, Prep Baseball Report All-State, Member of Gator Baseball Academy

Stats: Hit .310 with five homeruns, 37 RBI and 25 stolen bases in first two seasons

Anticipated Major: Psychology/Criminology

Parents: Justin and Stephanie Roehr



Claire Sykes / *Central Methodist* / *Women's Cross Country*

Honors: National Honor Society, Captain Star Award, Saturday Scholars

Stats: XC three mile PR is 19:13, Two-time runner-up, Recorded 12 top-5 and 17 top-10 finishes, Medaled 18 times in career, Member of two-time Alton Invite and Collinsville Invite Team champion.

Anticipated Major: Marine Biology

Parents: Craig and Ann Sykes

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