

2023 BCAM MEN'S COLLEGE ACADEMIC-ATHLETIC HONOR TEAM

**Sr. Cory Ainsworth Cornerstone University 3.71 Wayland, MI**

Cory played a vital role in this year's Cornerstone success. Kim Elders' team racked up 18 wins with this young man leading the way. This two-time WHAC Player of the Week winner averaged 17 points and 7.4 rebounds without even attempting a three pointer. The pre-med student carried over a 3.7 GPA while volunteering as a lab assistant and working with the EMS. This is the second straight year Cory has been named WHAC 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference for his efforts.

**Sr. James Ballard, Jr. Rochester University 3.04 Suisan, CA**

This 2<sup>nd</sup> Team ALL-WHAC performer, averaged 13.3 points and 7.6 Rebounds per game for Rochester this past year. James was an integral part of the successful season for head coach, Klint Pleasant, helping the Warriors finish tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> in the overall WHAC standings and a combined record of 20-11. James will be graduating from Rochester University with his degree in Sports Management this spring.

**Sr. Caden Ebeling Lake Superior State University 3.81 Shelby Township, MI**

Caden was an integral part of Steve Hettinga's 2022-2023 Laker squad. The senior product from Shelby Township knocked down 56% of his shots, on his way to averaging over 16 points and just under 5 rebounds per game. This Business Administration student earned a 3.8 GPA, and was named First Team All GLIAC for his basketball efforts.

**Sr. Peter Kalthoff Hillsdale College 3.75 Hillsdale, MI**

This local product decided to stay home and help Hillsdale College to another successful season. John Tharp's team posted an impressive 23 win season and Peter was a vital part of that success. The senior English major carried a 3.75 GPA, all while being named First Team All GMAC, as well as being a member of the GMAC All Defensive Team. Peter averaged over 13 points and 7 rebounds this season, all while shooting 55% from the field and an impressive 67% from three.

**Sr. Evan Thomas Hope College 3.89 Okemos, MI**

A year ago, Evan Thomas was named the MVP of the MIAA, all while leading his team and league in scoring and rebounding. A hand injury caused him to miss over a third of this season, but Evan was able to come back to help his team to a 20-10 record by averaging nearly 16 points and 7 rebounds in his senior year. His contributions earned him a spot on the First Team All MIAA, as well as First Team Academic All American honors. Evan will graduate with a 3.89 in Biology and will begin medical school at the University of Michigan in the fall.