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WRESTLING UPDATE

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SIX GOPHERS NAMED TO ALL-ACADEMIC TEAM

Park Ridge, Ill. - The University of Minnesota Wrestling Team had six athletes honored on the Big Ten Winter All-Academic Team, announced recently by the league office.

Brent Eidenschink (Detroit Lakes, Minn.), Luke Mellmer (Dickinson, N.D.), Jayson Ness (Bloomington, Minn.), Joe Nord (Waconia, Minn.), Brian Peterson (Richmond, Mich.) and Mike Thorn (St. Michael, Minn.) were all named the All-Academic team.

Nord highlights the squad as the only three-time honoree, while he is joined by Eidenschink, Ness, and Peterson who all make the team for the second consecutive season. First time honoree, Mellmer, makes the All-Academic team in his first season of eligibility.

All six wrestlers have seen time in the starting line-up this season, posting a collective 26-8 record in dual meets.

The Gopher contingent is part of 61 total wrestlers named by the Big Ten to the Winter All-Academic team. To be eligible for Academic All-Big Ten selection, student-athletes must be letterwinners who are in at least their second academic year at their institution and carry a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher.

Brent Eidenschink: Jr., Business & Marketing (Education Detroit Lakes, Minn.)

Luke Mellmer: So., Technology Education (Dickinson, N.D.)

Jayson Ness: Sr., Technology Education (Bloomington, Minn.)

Jose Nord: Jr., Business & Marketing (Education Waconia, Minn.)

Brian Peterson: So., Entrepreneurial Management (Richmond, Mich.)

Mike Thorn: Jr., Business & Marketing Education (St. Michael, Minn.)

