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**DURHAM** – Duke wrestling head coach **Glen Lanham** has announced the program's incoming freshman class for the 2022-23 season. Five freshman – **Connor Barket**, **Gaetano Console**, **Ethan Grimminger**, **Cameron Morgan** and **Nick Tattini** join graduate transfer **Jarred Papsy** as new additions to the roster in the fall.

“As a staff we're very excited about the incoming recruiting class,” said Lanham. “We really needed to address some depth issues we had in a few of our weight classes. We feel confident that we have done that. I know these guys are looking forward to getting their Duke Blue Devil wrestling careers started!”

### **Connor Barket**

The first of two to join the Blue Devils from Indiana, Barket comes to Durham via West Lafayette, Ind., and West Lafayette High School. Under head coach Rick Roseman, Barket left as one of the most accomplished wrestlers in school history, going 54-1 in his senior year, en route to conference, sectional and regional championships. In his career at West Lafayette, Barket went a combined 150-14, winning four conference and sectional titles and three regional titles, while reaching the semi-state final as a senior. Barket left his name in the record books, with 147 takedowns this past season, setting a school record. Off the mats, Barket was a three-time All-Conference and two-time All-Area defensive end and a first team Academic All-State honoree in football and wrestling.

### **Gaetano Console**

Hailing from Barrington Hills, Ill., Console joins the Blue Devils after a decorated career at St. Viator High School. A two-time IHSA 2A regional champion, Console had several strong performances in the state, including a second-place finish at sectionals in 2021 and a fourth-place finish at the state championship. Console also brings success in Greco wrestling as the 2018 Illinois Greco-Roman state champion and the 2019 Central Plains Regional Cadet Greco title among several Greco and freestyle finishes. A three-time captain, Console led by example in his high school tenure. Console graduate with high honors and was a 2021-22 Illinois State Scholar, while being tabbed to the principal's honor roll and suburban wrestling honor roll all four years.

### **Ethan Grimminger**

Headed to Durham via Orange, Calif., Grimminger has made waves at the lightweight levels of high school wrestling. At Servite High School, Grimminger capped off his career as the Trinity League champion, first team All-Trinity League and the wrestling Scholar Athlete of the Year. A California Southern Section Masters qualifier, CIF Southern Section runner-up and junior Greco-Roman Wrestling Fargo All-American, Grimminger has been incredibly active on the junior circuit. An accomplished competitor in judo, Grimminger was a two-time state champion and National Junior Olympic champion, with a first-degree blackbelt. Grimminger graduated summa cum laude with high honors as an accomplished student.

### **Cameron Morgan**

Another East Coast product, Morgan heads to Durham via Pennsville, N.J., following a strong career at Pennsville Memorial High School. Under head coach John Starkovich, Morgan was named first team All-County all four years of his career and it culminated in the district title and a regional runner-up finish as a senior. Morgan made waves outside of Pennsville, earning state championship honors in freestyle and Greco in 2019. A National Honors Society member, Morgan comes from an athletic family, as his mother Stephanie played softball at Elizabethtown College.

### **Nick Tattini**

A native of Crown Point, Ind., Tattini rounds out the incoming freshman class with a strong pedigree of success in the Hoosier State. A two-time sectional champion as a sophomore and senior, Tattini rose from 113 pounds as a freshman to 145 where he enjoyed plenty of success as a senior. Tattini helped Crown Point take home the 4A state championship and the IHSAA championship, while qualifying for state championships. Tattini also added several top finishes, including runner-up finishes at the Al Smith Invitational and Carnahan Memorial. A gifted student, Tattini finished each academic year as either magna cum laude or summa cum laude.

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