

Navy Wrestler Corey Wilding Earns Academic All-District Honors

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Navy junior wrestler Corey Wilding (Pittsburgh, Pa.) has been named a CoSIDA First-Team Academic All-District (II) selection for at-large sports and will now appear on the national ballot for Academic All-America honors. Joining Wilding on the ballot will be Navy senior swimmer Ryan Bailey, who is a three-time all-district selection and 2016 Third-Team Academic All-American.

To be eligible for the all-district ballot, student-athletes must have achieved a cumulative grade-point average of at least 3.30 through the end of the 2016 fall semester, be at a minimum a sophomore academically, as well as be a starter or key reserve on their respective team. The at-large sports program consists of women's beach volleyball, women's bowling, fencing, women's field hockey, golf, gymnastics, ice hockey, lacrosse, rifle, women's rowing, skiing, swimming and diving, tennis, men's volleyball, water polo and men's wrestling. CoSIDA's District II consists of Division I schools located in Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Washington, D.C. Each school is allowed to nominate up to four student-athletes for their respective men's and women's district ballots.

An operations research major, Wilding just wrapped up his sixth semester at the Naval Academy where he has compiled a 3.98 grade-point average. He has achieved a 4.00 GPA in each of the last five semesters, earning honors as a member of the Superintendent's and Commandant's List every semester. He stands 44th among his class of nearly 1,100 students (1,088) in Academic Order of Merit, fourth in Military Order of Merit and 21st in Overall Order of Merit. Meanwhile, for a second consecutive year, Wilding was the recipient of the EIWA Academic Achievement Award for his success on and off the mat.

Wilding fought off a knee injury to post a 19-14 record in 2016-17, including a 4-6 mark in dual action as the Mids' starter at 149 pounds. Over the course of the season, he won the Harold Nichols Open and placed third at the All-Academy Championship. He also earned a 14-2 major decision over Nick Noel in the annual Army-Navy Star Match.

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