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Carr Named NCAA & Big 12 Wrestler of the Week

AMES, Iowa – Weekly honors continue to roll in for David Carr as he was named the NCAA and Big 12 Wrestler of the Week on Tuesday.

Carr picked up a statement victory over then-No. 1 Keegan O'Toole of Missouri last Wednesday in Columbia. The Cyclone knocked of the defending 165-pound national champion, 7-2, and snapped O'Toole's 41-match win streak.

This marks Carr's second-career Big 12 weekly honor and first since Nov. 26, 2020. He is the fourth different Cyclone to be recognized this season, the most of any school in the league.

The win has moved Carr up to No. 1 nationally at 165 pounds and No. 5 on the pound-for-pound list in FloWrestling's latest rankings.

Carr, who has won 26 consecutive matches, showed his sharp technical skills and his strong scrambling ability to secure two takedowns in the victory. He then rode O'Toole for the entire third period to secure the riding time point.

The bout, featuring two highly credentialed wrestlers, was coined as the "Match of the Year" entering the matchup. The pair could meet again this season, potentially twice more, at the Big 12 Championship and NCAA Championships.

Carr finished the regular season with 72 takedowns while only allowing three, a 24:1 ratio. He posted a 20-0 record with victories against eight wrestlers ranked inside the top 15.

The Ohio native was also named the USA Wrestling Athlete of the Week on Friday.

This was the final Big 12 weekly award of the 2022-23 season.

Iowa State wrestling is back in action at the Big 12 Championship March 4-5 at the BOK Center in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Stay tuned to Cyclones.com for seeding and bracket information in the coming weeks.

Big 12 Wrestler of the Week

Week 1 - Paniro Johnson, Iowa State, Fr., (149 pounds)

Week 2 - Elijah Griffin, California Baptist, R-Fr., (125 pounds)

Week 3 - Cael Happel, Northern Iowa, So., (141 pounds)

Week 4 - Andrew Alirez, Northern Colorado, Jr., (141 pounds)

Week 5 - Yonger Bastida, Iowa State, Jr., (197 pounds)

Week 6 - Jared Franek, North Dakota State, Sr., (157 pounds)

Week 7 - Tanner Cook, South Dakota State, Jr., (165 pounds)

Week 8 - Marcus Coleman, Iowa State, Sr., (184 Pounds)

Week 9 - Andrew Alirez, Northern Colorado, Jr., (141 pounds)

Week 10 - Jordan Titus, West Virginia, R-Fr., (141 pounds)

Week 11 - Michael Caliendo, North Dakota State, R-Fr., (165 pounds)

Week 12 - Ty Smith, Utah Valley, R-So., (141 pounds)

Week 13 - Carter Young, Oklahoma State, So., (141 pounds)

Week 14 - Luke Surber, Oklahoma State, Jr., (197 pounds)

Week 15 - Parker Keckeisen, Northern Iowa, R-So., (184 pounds)

Week 16 – David Carr, Iowa State, Sr., (165 pounds)

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