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WAYNESBURG, Pa. (May 20) – After four outstanding years on the wrestling mat, Waynesburg Central senior A.C. Headlee was honored on Thursday as the first-ever recipient of the \$1,000 GreeneSports.net Student-Athlete of the Year Scholarship. Headlee was selected from a pool of seniors attending the five Greene County high schools who had been named a Greensports.net Athlete of the Week at least once during the current school year.

While there were many worthy candidates, Headlee's long list of accomplishments both on and off the mat was more than deserving of the accolade. This past winter, he was named Outstanding Wrestler at the PIAA Class AAA Wrestling Championships after winning the 132-pound title. It was his third medal at the event. Headlee is also a two-time WPIAL champion, a three-time section champion, a three-time medalist at the Beast of the East Tournament (2014 champion), a four-time bronze medalist at the POWERade Christmas tournament and the only four-time champion at the TRICADA Tournament.

“We are proud to be able to recognize the athletic and academic achievements of our local students and be able to assist in furthering their education,” said Jason Tennant, co-owner and co-founder of Greensports.net.

In the classroom, the soon-to-be WCHS graduate carries a 3.82 cumulative GPA and is a member of the National Honors Society. Headlee recently received a scholar-athlete award for the Waynesburg wrestling team and has been nominated for the WPIAL Scholar-Athlete Award.

“Any time you can get recognition for what you do all year, it's pretty special. I'm excited. I can probably go and buy some text books with this now,” Headlee said. “If you're not getting the grades, you're not allowed to compete and the schoolwork always comes first.”

After graduation, the latest Raider state champion will continue both his wrestling and academic endeavors at the University of North Carolina, where he will train under another former WCHS standout, Coleman Scott. Scott is heading into his first season as an assistant coach with the Tar Heels and was a three-time PIAA champion, an NCAA Division I national champion and the 2012 Olympic freestyle bronze medalist at 60 kg.

“Having the opportunity to attend any institution of higher learning is a great experience. With the rising costs, unfortunately, it is not a realistic option for some of our graduates in Greene County,” said Lanfer Simpson, co-owner and co-founder of Greensports.net. “Through Greensports, Jason and I have gotten to see kids like A.C. work and mature. It really makes us feel good to see the success that pays off with dedication and perseverance.”

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