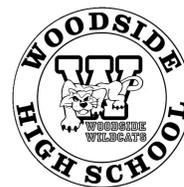


# Woodside High School

## Spring Athlete Senior Recognition

### Badminton

### Spring 2020



**Congratulations to WHS badminton seniors Michael Costantini, Joseph Jacob, Ryland Kitaura, Jack Landis, Mikah Nelson, Isaac Reynolds, Liam Rogers, Ashley Sanchez, Gina Sandoval, Andrew Stirling, Sean Sheffield, Amanda Wong**

### Badminton Profiles

#### Michael Costantini

Mikey is a first year Badminton player. He joined this year and has been a great teammate. Mike works hard at practice and gives 100% when playing. Thank you for joining Mike.

#### Joseph Jacob

Joey is in his 3rd year playing varsity badminton. He's worked very hard to be our #1 singles boys player. Joey is also one of the captains on the team. Joey is very competitive. He loves badminton so much that he plays at local clubs. Joey will be missed next year when he's off to college and it will be hard to replace him. Joey plans on attending Xavier University. Thank you Joey for being part of this team.

#### Ryland Kitaura

Ryland is also in his 3rd year playing varsity badminton. During his tenure on the team, Ryland has played many positions. He's been a doubles boys player, has also played mixed doubles and a few times as a singles player. No matter what is asked of Ryland, he does it. We will miss him next year! Thank you Ryland for the years of service! Good luck to you next year!

### **Jack Landis**

Jack joined the team this year and is a first year player. Jack was going to play tennis but decided to give badminton a chance. He's been great to work with. He's not shy about learning how to play and he's been a great addition to the team. Thank you Jack and good luck!

### **Mikah Nelson**

Mikah is in her 3rd year playing varsity badminton. She's played girls doubles #1,#2,#3. Her former partner (Shout out Kelsey Kloezman) chose not to play (and that's ok) but lucky for us, Mikah chose to play. She's been an asset on the team. She's also been promoted to co-captain. She's been a great teammate and like many on this team...She'll be missed. Mikah plans on attending UCSB. Thank you Mikah for everything and good luck to you!

### **Isaac Reynolds**

Isaac is in his 3rd year playing varsity badminton. He's one of the kindest, nicest people on the team. He makes everyone laugh with his "Obi-Wan Kenobi" stance and has a killer soft serve. He's always willing to compete. He's played boys doubles #1 and mixed doubles. Isaac will play anywhere if we need him to. We wish him all the best and good luck next year.

### **Liam Rogers**

Liam is another 3rd year player. A multi-sport player, he started out on the team as a singles player. He would later find a new passion for being a doubles player. Liam is a fantastic badminton player. He competes, doesn't give in easily and has been fun to coach over the years. Thank you Liam, good luck to you next year at CSM.

### **Ashley Sanchez**

Our lone southpaw, "Smash-ley" is in her 3rd year playing for the varsity badminton team. Ashley has been fun to watch over the years. She's been a fantastic mixed-doubles player and recently switched over to girls doubles. She also inherited the job as scorekeeper...which is tedious work but she gets the job done. Like many of her teammates, she always looked forward to the badminton season. We're gonna miss you Ashley! Thank you for everything and good luck to you next year!

### **Gina Sandoval**

Gina is a 1st year badminton player. She's no stranger to Woodside Athletics. Gina also played soccer for the Wildcats. I met Gina as a "pre" freshman during the summer of 2016 in Compass. She told me about how much she enjoyed playing soccer. I also told them there are other sports at Woodside she may want to consider. It only took 4 years to get her to play badminton. Gina, thank you for joining the team and thank you for having a positive attitude at our practice. Thank you and good luck next year.

### **Andrew Stirling**

Andrew joined the team his Junior year. He's one awesome badminton player. We enjoy watching him play. He has a powerful smash and impressive hand/eye coordination. He's a funny guy as well. He doesn't say much, but every so often, whatever he says is gold! Andrew Stirling, thank you for being on this team and good luck to you in the future!

### **Sean Sheffield**

Sean has played for the team since he was a sophomore. Sean has developed into an exceptional badminton player. Sean started playing boys doubles and quickly moved to #1 mixed-doubles. He became co-captain his junior year and hasn't stopped being a leader on and off the court. Sean, thank you for everything you've done for the team and for your school. I wish the best of luck to you next year! We're gonna miss you.

### **Amanda Wong**

Amanda is our sole 4 year varsity badminton player. She is co-captain and our #1 mixed-doubles player. "Sweet" Amanda (Ms. Staves refers to her like that) also played girls singles. She's a multi-sport athlete and she's a hard worker. As a sophomore and junior, Amanda has represented Woodside at the PAL tournament. She is one of the toughest competitors on our team. Her leadership will be irreplaceable. Amanda plans on attending Loyola Marymount University in the fall. We're going to miss Amanda and I'm going to miss handing her water bottle to her during match intermission. Good luck to you Amanda and thank you for everything.

**Woodside Athletic Department**  
*Study hard, practice hard, play hard!*