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Nebraska American Legion Selects Baseball Player-of-the-Year

(Lincoln) August 19, 2022 – Each year, thousands of Nebraska’s youths participate in American Legion Baseball across the state. One young man is then chosen as the Nebraska Player-of-the-Year and his name is forwarded to National to be considered for the George W. Rulon National Player-of-the-Year for 2022.

This year, the Nebraska American Legion selected Dillon Olson of Concord as the 2022 Nebraska American Legion Baseball Player-of-the-Year. Olson plays for the Pender Post 55 Legion Senior Team sponsored by Pender Post 55. He has shown extensive dedication to academics at Laurel-Concord-Coleridge School, supporting his peers, and volunteering in his community.

He participated in baseball, basketball, cross country, and track and frequented going to State in these activities. Olson was involved in band, National Honor Society, Student Council, speech, and choir, as well as art, science, and Spanish clubs. Olson has volunteered for various youth activities, helped students with studies, and is known for helping the people of his community. There is no doubt that he understands the impact he can make by supporting his community. His positive outlook and leadership skills demonstrate the Code of Conduct that is sought in Legion Baseball.

Olson will attend the University of South Dakota-Vermillion working towards a degree in Kinesiology. He is the son of Mark and Tiffany Olson.

The American Legion is dedicated to the motto of “Veterans Strengthening America.” Chartered by Congress in 1919, The American Legion is committed to mentoring youth and sponsoring wholesome community programs, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting a strong national security, and continued devotion to servicemembers and veterans. Legionnaires in more than 12,500 posts across the nation and regions overseas serve their communities with a devotion to mutual helpfulness.

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