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## **Wendy's Player of the Year Track, Baseball, Softball, Soccer**

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NORTH LITTLE ROCK- The Arkansas Activities Association announced the selections for the Wendy's Track, Baseball, Softball, and Soccer Players of the Year Awards for the 2016-2017 school year.

The track division winners are senior Allie Hensley of Clinton and senior Marquel McKinney of Gosnell. Senior Tyler Cleveland of Sheridan is the winner in the baseball division, while honors went to senior Reagan Sperling of North Little Rock for softball. Senior Lauren Hargus of Bentonville and senior Erick Guadron of Hot Springs were selected in the soccer division.

This is the third year for the Wendy's Player of the Year Awards. A total of 23 athletes, representing 23 sports, have been selected from the sports of golf, tennis, volleyball, cross country, dance, cheer, football, swimming, wrestling, bowling, basketball, softball, baseball, soccer and track. Each winner will receive a plaque and a medallion from Wendy's. The awards will be presented at Wendy's Day of Champions luncheon at the Holiday Inn Airport in Little Rock on Thursday, June 1, 2017.

Coaches and school administrators were eligible to make nominations for these awards throughout the school year.

Hensley had an outstanding track career at Clinton High. She is a 3-time state champion and a 4-time Meet of Champs attendee. Hensley has finished 5th (2015), 3rd (2016) and 1st (2017) in the heptathlon.

McKinney's senior year was one to remember. He won the 4A state championship in the high jump and triple jump. He also was the 4A state runner-up in the long jump. In May at the Meet of Champs, he was the runner-up in the high jump and triple jump. His awards include 4A All-State Track, George Jones Award, and the All Arkansas Track Team.

Cleveland helped lead Sheridan to a baseball state championship this year with an 8-1 record. He pitched 56 innings, with an ERA of 1.12, while striking out 72 batters. In this year state championship game, he gave up 3 hits struck out 11 batters and only gave up 1 run.

Sperling was a shortstop and centerfielder for the North Little Rock softball team. She has been named to the all conference team all four years as well as an all state selection and named to the all tournament team this year. Sperling will continue her softball career next year at the University of Central Arkansas.

Hargus had a very successful soccer career at Bentonville High. She was named Bentonville High Varsity MVP. She scored 32 goals with 23 assists on the year. She lead her team to the 7A state championship this year, where she was named MVP. She will play soccer at the University of Central Arkansas.

Guadron had a stellar soccer career at Hot Springs High. This year he scored 51 goals including 2 goals and 1 assist in the 5A state championship game. Guardron will leave Hot Springs with 2 state championship rings and 2 championship MVP awards.

## 2016-2017 Wendy's Player of the Year Winners

### Sports

Girls Golf  
Boys Golf  
Girls Tennis  
Boys Tennis  
Volleyball  
Girls Cross Country  
Boys Cross Country  
Dance  
Football  
Cheer  
Girls Bowling  
Boys Bowling  
Wrestling  
Girls Swimming  
Boys Swimming  
Girls Basketball  
Boys Basketball  
Girls Track  
Boys Track  
Softball  
Baseball  
Girls Soccer  
Boys Soccer

### Winner

Casey Ott, Conway  
Connor Gaunt, Cabot  
Brooke Killingsworth, Bentonville  
Hunter Harrison, Pulaski Academy  
Haley Warner, Fayetteville  
Tori Willis, Bentonville  
Camren Fischer, Fayetteville  
Savannah Parker, Jonesboro  
Taylor Powell, Fayetteville  
Haley Morton, Sheridan  
Lauren Bunting, Cabot  
Keaton Hayes, Cabot  
Luke Brandon, Bentonville  
Taylor Pike, Bentonville  
Ryan Husband, Bentonville  
Christyn Williams, CAC  
Marquis Eaton, Jonesboro  
Allie Hensley, Clinton  
Marquel McKinney, Gosnell  
Reagan Sperling, North Little Rock  
Tyler Cleveland, Sheridan  
Lauren Hargus, Bentonville  
Erick Guadron, Hot Springs

### Coach

Coach Janet Taylor  
Coach Ronnie Tollett  
Coach Nick Nersesian  
Coach Bill Topich  
Coach Jessica Phelan  
Coach Randy Ramker  
Coach Michelle Fyfe  
Coach Crawford/Gammill  
Coach Bill Blankenship  
Coach Dana Morton  
Coach Clark Bing  
Coach Clark Bing  
Coach James Rappe  
Coach Nick Nersesian  
Coach Nick Nersesian  
Coach Steve Quattlebaum  
Coach Wes Swift  
Coach Jesse Wilson  
Coach David Brown  
Coach Jason Houle  
Coach Mike Moore  
Coach Kristina Henry  
Coach Cory Sturdivant