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Haverhill Student Receives MIAA Student-Athlete of the Month Award

Haverhill – Evan Pare, a senior at Haverhill High School, has been selected by the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) as the "Student-Athlete of the Month" for January 2009.

A senior, three-sport athlete at Haverhill High School, Evan carries an exceptional academic and athletic resume. He is ranked second in the senior class at Haverhill with a 3.85 GPA and is a member of the National Honor Society. Evan is one of six students at Haverhill High School to be selected as a National Merit Commended Scholar and was recently presented with the Certificate of Academic Excellence from the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents. At school, he is also a member of the Class of 2009 Executive Committee, the Mentor Program, and the Latin Club. Athletically, Evan participates on the Haverhill football, ice hockey and lacrosse teams. He was a co-captain and Merrimack Valley Conference All-Star as a receiver and defensive back on the football team. In addition to his academic and athletic achievements, Evan has logged many hours of community service with Sarah's Place, the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, and the Haverhill Historical Society.

The MIAA launched the "Student-Athlete of the Month" award program as a method of recognizing and honoring students who set a positive example of leadership through academics and athletics in their communities. Through this program, school principals, athletic directors, wellness coordinators, coaches, teachers, guidance counselors, and student ambassadors may nominate individuals who excel in the classroom, during competition, and as good citizens in the community. One male and one female student-athlete from MIAA member schools are selected as recipients of this award each month. Each recipient is sent a congratulatory letter and certificate from the MIAA Student Services Staff. In addition, recipients are also noted for their achievement on the MIAA web site (<http://www.miaa.net/student-athlete-of-the-month.htm>) and in the "Building the Future" MIAA Student Services Newsletter.

For more information about the MIAA "Student-Athlete of the Month" Program, please contact Peter Smith at 508-541-7997.