



Football Award Winners

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All-America Honors

Roy White	1923		
William Karr	1936		
Don Findling	1947		
Joe Pahr	1950		
Arol Amling	1951		
Bob Grobengeiser	1951		
Gene Holtrey	1951		
Joe Pahr	1951	Associated Press	
Carl Woodward	1951		
Gerry Raasch	1954		
Fuzzy Thurston	1954		
Gordon Helms	1955		
Fuzzy Thurston	1955		
Jerry Goeglein	1961		
Bob Gusse	1961	Honorable Mention Little	
John Knight	1961		
Garry Puetz	1971		AFCA
Garry Puetz	1972		AFCA
John Belskis	1976		AFCA
Ken Karczewski	1979		
Dan Bogar	1983		
Tony Bauer	1984		Associated Press Honorable Mention Little
Dan Bogar	1984		Associated Press Honorable Mention Little
Kevin Mackey	1984		Associated Press Honorable Mention Little
Mike Healey	1985		AFCA and Football News
Eric Kenesie	1998		
Eric Kenesie	1999		AFCA
Rob Giancola	2003		

AFCA - American Football Coaches' Association

Indiana Collegiate Conference Honors

First Team All-Conference

Arol Amling, 1951
 Jerry Karstens, 1951
 Robert Kuska, 1951
 Joe Pahr, 1951
 Royce Rowedder, 1951
 Jerry Karstens, 1952
 Don Kelly, 1952
 Robert Kerns, 1952
 Richard Schalon, 1952
 Dennis Tuomi, 1952
 Charles Lembke, 1953
 Gerry Raasch, 1953
 Ralph Starenko, 1953
 Chuck Dhooge, 1954
 Gordon Helms, 1954
 Rod Poppe, 1954
 Gerry Raasch, 1954
 Fuzzy Thurston, 1954
 Chuck Dhooge, 1955
 Dick Jung, 1955
 Chuck O'Brien, 1955
 Fuzzy Thurston, 1955
 Chuck Dhooge, 1956
 Ken Schreiber, 1956
 Noel Schlegelmilch, 1959
 Joe Sever, 1959
 Ray Zubeck, 1959
 Don Martis, 1960
 Fred Morgner, 1960
 Jerry Goeglein, 1961
 Bob Gusse, 1961
 John Knight, 1961
 Tyrone Smith, 1961

Tyrone Smith, 1962
 Dave Lass, 1963
 Dick Pohlman, 1963
 Bill Schade, 1963
 Dave Lass, 1964
 Bert Bleke, 1965
 Bert Bleke, 1966
 Tom Dohrman, 1966
 Bill Kohn, 1968
 Ken Manning, 1968
 Jack Sukup, 1968
 Ken Weiss, 1968
 John Whetsel, 1968
 Fred Donath, 1969
 John Rusert, 1969
 Jeff Freitag, 1970
 Tim Hartner, 1970
 John Knudson, 1970
 Neil Palmer, 1970
 Garry Puetz, 1970
 John Rusert, 1970
 Joe Conn, 1971
 Jeff Freitag, 1971
 Mike Hall, 1971
 Dave Hansing, 1971
 Tim Hartner, 1971
 John Knudson, 1971
 Neil Palmer, 1971
 Garry Puetz, 1971
 Garry Puetz, 1972
 Tom Seggerman, 1972
 Faust DeLazzer, 1973
 Bill Monahan, 1974
 Jim Russler, 1974

John Belskis, 1975
 Chris Knutsen, 1975
 Mike Lightbourn, 1975
 John Belskis, 1976
 Chris Knutsen, 1976

Coach of the Year

Emory Bauer, 1954
 Emory Bauer and Walt Reiner, 1961
 Norm Aundsen, 1968

Players of the Year

Joe Pahr, 1951,
 Most Valuable Back
 Dennis Tuomi, 1952,
 Most Valuable Lineman
 Charles Lembke, 1953,
 Most Valuable Lineman
 Fuzzy Thurston, 1955,
 Most Valuable Lineman
 John Knight, 1961,
 Most Valuable Back
 Dave Lass, 1963,
 Most Valuable Back
 Tim Hartner, 1971,
 Most Valuable Defensive Back
 Mike Lightbourn, 1975,
 Most Valuable Defensive Back



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Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference Honors

First Team All-Conference

Gil Gutierrez, 1991

Heartland Collegiate Conference Honors

First Team All-Conference

John Belskis, 1977
Michael Dodds, 1977
Frederick Harris, 1977
David Newman, 1977
Rich Anderson, 1978
Mike Dodds, 1978
Jim Prochaska, 1978
Ron Risco, 1978
Scott Swanson, 1978
Cortie Wilson, 1978
Ken Biel, 1979
Jeff Heintzelman, 1979
Ken Karczewski, 1979
Steve Leonhard, 1979
Randy Riese, 1979
Mitch Sivertson, 1979

Warren Frey, 1980
Kyle Lupo, 1980
Randy Riese, 1980
Jimmy Harris, 1982
Dan Bogar, 1983
Tony Bauer, 1984
Dan Bogar, 1984
Mike Healey, 1985
Scott Lange, 1985
Kevin Mackey, 1985
Tony Maselli, 1985
Jim Bettinardi, 1986
Rick Danowsky, 1987
Tyler Mason, 1987
Tim Eloe, 1989

Players of the Year

John Belskis, 1977,
Most Valuable Defensive Back
Dave Newnam, 1977,
Most Valuable Offensive Back
Cortie Wilson, 1978,
Most Valuable Player
Cortie Wilson, 1978,
Most Valuable Offensive Back
Ken Karczewski, 1979,
Most Valuable Offensive Lineman
Mike Healey, 1985,
Most Valuable Player
Mike Healey, 1985,
Most Valuable Offensive Back
Tyler Mason, 1987,
Offensive Lineman of the Year

Pioneer Football League Honors

First Team All-Conference

John Lyon, 1993
Scott Petcu, 1993
Shayne Snider, 1993
Josh Berning, 1994
Doug Holok, 1994
Jeff Seymour, 1994
Evan Fitzgerald, 1995
Scott Hinrichs, 1995
Matt Kulp, 1995
Ozzie Young, 1995
John Harrington, 1996
Ronnie Sazone, 1996
Michael Tolbert, 1996
Ike Anigbo, 1997
Ron Brown, 1998
Ray Cirks, 1998
Ray Hiller, 1998
Eric Rodbro, 1998
Eric Zodrow, 1998
Ric Edgcomb, 1999
Steve Gresh, 1999
Franco Francese, 1999
Brian Vladika, 1999
Ray Hiller, 1999
Eric Kenesie, 1999
Ric Edgcomb, 2000
Jason Loughheed, 2000
Matt Maher, 2000

Jim Schroeder, 2000
John Schulte, 2000
Josh Skidmore, 2000
Adam Wakefield, 2000
Tom Byrne, 2001
Ric Edgcomb, 2001
Terrance Shelton, 2001
Tom Byrne, 2002
Chris Daniels, 2003
Rob Giancola, 2003
Andrew McCawley, 2003
Chris Daniels, 2004
Bill Marshall, 2004
Brad Smeja, 2004
Joe Blahowicz, 2005
Jeff Horton, 2005
Mike Jones, 2005
Andrew McCawley, 2005
Ryan Palonka, 2005
Ryan Kozey, 2007
Ryan Kozey, 2008
Greg Wood, 2010
Greg Wood, 2012
Alex Green, 2015
Drew Snouffer, 2018
Robert Washington, Spring 2021
Jaxon Peifer, Spring 2021
Ben Niesner, Spring 2021
Brian Bartholomew, Spring 2021

Keyon Turner, Spring 2021
Robert Washington, Fall 2021
Ben Niesner, Fall 2021
Brian Bartholomew, Fall 2021
Aaron Byrd, 2022
Solomon Davis, 2022
Aaron Dawson, 2022
Ben Hines, 2022
Solomon Davis, 2023
Sam Hafner, 2023
Evan Matthes, 2023

Coach of the Year

Tom Horne, 1999
Tom Horne, 2003
Dave Cecchini, 2017

Offensive Player of the Year

Robert Washington, Spring 2021

Special Teams Player of the Year

Ben Niesner, Spring 2021 (co-)

Offensive Freshman of the Year

Jake Hutson, 2012

Scholar Athlete of the Year

Evan Annis, 2023



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Academic Honors

First Team Academic All-America

Kevin Knutson	2004	Wide Receiver
Adam Rundh	2009	Defensive Line

Second Team Academic All-America

Scott Hinrichs	1995	Wide Receiver
Nick Bamber	2001	Defensive Back
Adam Rundh	2008	Defensive Line

Richard P. Koenig Award

Valparaiso University award that exemplifying moral character, academic, and athletic achievement.

Year	Recipient	Year	Recipient	Year	Recipient
1989	Tim Eloe	1996	Ronnie Sazone	2005	Andrew McCawley
1990	Tim Eloe	1997	Bob Cracknell	2006	Brandon Bogenschutz
1991	Steve Moseley	1998	Joe Nowak	2007	Matt Watkins
1992	Mike Spicer	1999	Matt Rochner	2008	Ryan Koepke
1993	Trevor Bell	2000	Ron Brogle	2009	Adam Rundh
1994	Trevor Bell	2001	Bill Stanton	2010	Eli Crawford
1995	Scott Hinrichs	2002	Adam DaSilva	2011	Nate Blair
		2003	Jeffrey Vlck	2012	Mike Gerton
		2004	Kevin Knutson		

Joe Sever Trophy

Valparaiso University award that honors the lineman who exemplifies excellent work ethic and high-quality performance.

Year	Recipient	Year	Recipient	Year	Recipient
1993	Evan Fitzgerald	1999	Steve Gresh	2006	Seungyeup Ro
1994	Evan Fitzgerald	2000	Jim Schroeder	2007	Ben Faulkner
1995	Evan Fitzgerald	2001	Scott Tyrcha	2008	Trey Clark
1996	Jacob Adames	2002	Tom Byrne	2009	Nate Blair
1997	Chad Schroll	2003	Kyle Padgett	2010	Alex Soller
1998	Ron Brown	2004	Brandon Sturman	2011	Grant Bushong
		2005	Ryan Palonka	2012	Chris Howard