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Winthrop President Jayne Marie (Jamie) Comstock said she is pleased to see that Winthrop student-athletes continue to be conference role models in the classroom. The Eagle athletes captured the league’s Kallander Cup for outstanding community service last fall for a fourth consecutive year. “Our student-athletes learn important lessons about discipline, perseverance, teamwork and sportsmanship,” Comstock said. “Year in and out, student-athletes stand among our most successful graduates.”

Big South Conference officials said the league prides itself on the academic accomplishments of its student-athletes. “To have eight member institutions above 50 percent and nearly half of all student-athletes make the Presidential Honor Roll for the fourth consecutive year is a reflection of the outstanding individuals in the conference and their priorities,” said Big South Conference Commissioner Kyle B. Kallander.

Winthrop typically places among the top schools in the conference with its honor roll listings. “My congratulations go out to our student-athletes for their exceptional performance in the classroom, and also to our coaches and academic staff for the support and encouragement they provide,” said Winthrop Athletics Director Tom Hickman.

Winthrop’s listing of student-athletes who earned the Big South Presidential Honor Roll distinction is available on the conference’s website, www.BigSouthSports.com.