

# 2025 Fall Sports Awards Ceremony



Tuesday, November 18, 2025

Gloucester County Institute of Technology



*Home of the Cheetahs*

# ***Cheetahs' Coaching Staff***

## ***Fall 2025 Sports***

Robb Eppolite, Co-Head Coach	Cross Country
Robert Kijewski, Co-Head Coach	Cross Country
Cherise Hasko, Head Coach	Field Hockey
Donna O'Leary, Assistant Coach	Field Hockey
Julia Matczak, Assistant Coach	Field Hockey
James Connor, Head Coach	Soccer ~ Boys
Bob Nelms, Assistant Coach	Soccer ~ Boys
Jason Kahan, Assistant Coach	Soccer ~ Boys
Bryan Vahey, Head Coach	Soccer ~ Girls
Elizabeth Mizia, Assistant Coach	Soccer ~ Girls
Jeffrey Burns, Assistant Coach	Soccer ~ Girls
Steven Mroz, Head Coach	Tennis ~ Girls
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Kelli (Swanson) Davenport	Athletic Trainer

**\* = 3 Years Varsity participation    \*\* = 4 Years Varsity participation**

# CROSS COUNTRY

Robb Eppolite, Co-Head Coach  
Robert Kijewski, Co-Head Coach

## BOYS

### VARSETY

Yuvraj Cheema  
Mason Commack  
Ryan Ejjalili  
Wyatt Evans  
Timothy Garber  
Jai Giannone  
Nicholas Kleinot  
Logan Monaghan  
Liam Robles\*  
Noah Rouse  
Duke Snyder-Shellito\*  
Alexander Trampe

### JUNIOR VARSITY

Jayvier Domingo  
Jonas Hutchins  
Holden Kervick  
Carmelo Matthews  
Matthew McDevitt  
Anthony Molino  
Vir Patel  
Zechariah Riggins  
Justin Walker  
Shane Wardwell  
Kevin Whelan  
Evan Whitworth  
Trent Wittig

## GIRLS

### VARSETY

Francesca Carnevale  
Giovanna Daccardi  
Elizabeth Gordon  
Isabel Guerra  
Jonna Lisi  
Jordan Moczydlowski  
Natalie Pandolfo  
Cara Smith  
Eunice Sta Clara

### JUNIOR VARSITY

Margaret Auge  
Skylar Duncan  
Alaina Kline  
Avangeline Lanza  
Jillian Stewart

Growing confidence marked our 2025 Cross Country season. Both the Boys' and Girls' teams were very young, and though somewhat inexperienced, the teams were quite determined.

The 2025 Girls Cross Country team established a culture of working well together, supporting each other, and having fun. The team had some new runners who brought passion and leadership, and overall, the season showcased strong efforts and a great experience for the runners. We ended on a high note with the team winning the South Jersey Vocational-Technical Championships and then coming in 2<sup>nd</sup> for the NJ State Tech Championship. Two of our runners were recognized as All Stars: Jordan Moczydlowski – 1<sup>st</sup> Team TCC Royal Division and Isabel Guerra – 2<sup>nd</sup> Team TCC Royal Division. The team will miss our Senior Captain, Cara Smith, but we wish her all the best as she graduates. And for those runners who will be returning (and joining), the 2026 team looks strong, and future of the team is bright.

For the 2025 Boys Cross Country team, Duke Snyder-Shellito and Wyatt Evans were atop the varsity boys' ranks. They both finished a combined seventeen times in, or near, the top twenty in ten major races throughout the season. These races can, at times, number over 200 runners in size. They guided our team to a 1<sup>st</sup> Place finish in the South Jersey Vocational-Technical Championships and a 2<sup>nd</sup> Place finish at the NJTAC Championships where Wyatt and Duke finished 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> respectively, with Ryan Ejjalili contributing with a 10<sup>th</sup> place finish. Another steady member of the varsity boys' team was Logan Monaghan who PR'ed at Sectionals, and in the process, he ran below an 18-minute 5k for his first time. It was a determined effort this season by all our male athletes. Everyone involved should be excited about the 2026 season, when the team returns to build on the successes of 2025.

# FIELD HOCKEY

Cherise Hasko, Head Coach  
Donna O'Leary & Julia Matczak, Assistant Coaches

## Varsity

Annika Blomquist	Gabrielle Klimek
Andie DeGeorge	Sophia Luedtke*
Chloe Fleming	Lacey Mills
Lily Fleming*	Serena Smith
Mary Forte	Tatum Thurber
Isabella Gonnion*	Rose Vinciguerra*
Kendall Grodzianek	MiaBella Wilkers
Marina Hoagland	

## Junior Varsity

Charlotte Boncich	Molly Mathiesen
Grace Boncich	Isabella Moline
Sophia Brennan	Majesty Moore
Brianna Costroff	Calleigh Powell
Valentina Gill	Grace Powell
Selene Jones	Anna Schaffer
Cameron Kovack	Grace Trzcinski
Laci Kulik	Charleigh Uszaki

The GCIT 2025 Field Hockey Cheetahs had a fantastic season filled with highs and just a few bumps along the way (if you know, you know). This group of athletes came in ready to shine way back in August, running miles every day and putting in the hard work at every practice. Their work ethic and the genuine relationships they built with their teammates made this an unforgettable year.

It is always amazing how much these athletes overcome in order to compete against the powerhouses in our Group 4 division. Each year, the team comes together with new faces from different towns, and these athletes need to quickly build trust and chemistry in order to be successful. Over the past four years, they have consistently done just that, continuing to climb up the rankings and make their mark.

This year's team chemistry, hard work, and determination are a direct reflection of our Seniors. This group holds a special place in my heart because I've had the privilege of witnessing their entire journey through the program. What truly sets them apart is their unwavering dedication to the game. No matter the ups and downs of a single game or an entire season, they have never lost sight of the passion that drives them to play the sport they love. The team will deeply miss our graduating Seniors: Andie Mae DeGeorge, Lily Fleming, Isabella Gonnion, Marina Hoagland, Serena Smith, Rose Vinciguerra, and MiaBella Wilkers.

Looking ahead to the 2026 season, the standard has been set. There are still many more "firsts" to achieve, and we look forward to seeing what is next. For now, keep up the hard work!

# SOCCER – BOYS

James Connor, Head Coach  
Bob Nelms & Jason Kahan, Assistant Coaches

## Varsity

Conlon Achuff\*  
Keira Allen, Manager  
Branson Bennett  
Natalia Boyd, Manager  
Carlos Bravo  
Connor Cogan  
Zachary Connell  
Brayden Faragasso

Caeden Gagliardi  
Joseph Gallagher  
Andrew Gomeringer  
Robert Helder  
Ryan Herbst  
Jeremy Kazmierski  
Alexander Losada\*  
Anthony Lovich  
Cole Madgey

Ethan Morris  
John Nicolosi\*  
Michael Stanwood\*  
Grayson Stark\*  
Maximus Whitney  
Michael White  
Tyler Williams  
Stavros Zafiratos

## Junior Varsity

Michael Asis  
Mason Baxter  
Ethan Bucci  
Mason DeNick  
Charles Donaldson  
Alexander Duer  
Blake Fockler  
Jair Gonzalez  
Jackson Hall  
Maxwell Lopes

Mason Marshall  
Chase Maurer  
Joshua Null  
Aaden Reynolds  
Jaiden Romero  
Logan Samuel  
Keenan Smith  
Nathaniel Tedesco  
Logan Walters  
Haralambos Zafiratos

## Freshman

Ayden Arellano  
Garwood Bacon  
Grayson Boos  
Sawyer Boos  
Shepard Byrne  
Francis Cloud  
Richard Dixon  
Peyton Epke  
Dante Ferrucci  
Andrew Hamilton

Carter Lockman  
Justin Newshel  
Graeme Stark  
Sean Stecher  
Brett Steward  
Nikolas Surguy  
Aaron Trzcinski  
Jack Worthington  
Jackson Wylie  
Lucas Yoder

The 2025 Boys Soccer season was a testament to our team's growth, resilience, and dedication. From the first practice to the final whistle, every player gave their best effort and showed tremendous improvement both individually and collectively. We emphasized teamwork, discipline, and communication, and it showed on the field through our strong defensive organization and creative attacking play. Despite facing tough competition and some challenging moments, the players stayed committed and pushed each other to improve every day. Our captains led by example, setting the tone in both games and practices. Several players stepped up into new roles, showing versatility and maturity beyond their years. Off the field, the team displayed great sportsmanship and represented our program with pride. While we fell short of some goals, the progress made this season laid a strong foundation for the future. I'm incredibly proud of this group's effort, attitude, and heart, and I look forward to seeing what they will accomplish next year.

# SOCCKER - GIRLS

Bryan Vahey, Head Coach  
Elizabeth Mizia & Jeffrey Burns, Assistant Coaches

## VARSITY

Abigail Asis  
Kayla Asis  
Rian Caldwell  
Averie Clement\*  
Margaret Duer\*  
Reese Emmett  
Lola Gittinger  
Madailein Hall

Ava Herbst  
Brooke Jones\*\*  
Charley Kelly\*  
Kori Leacott  
Melanie Liguori  
Mckenzie Marshall\*  
Gwenneth Marvil  
Nia McCann  
Danielle Mills

Teagan Moore  
Grace Morris  
Addison Mutcherson  
Joanna Newshel, Manager  
Kaylee Smith  
Meghan Sullivan\*  
Leah Tiberi  
Jorja Widmer

## Junior Varsity

Molly Achuff  
Jullianna Carroll  
Adele Duffy  
Payton Foley  
Haley Godish  
Sloane Golembiewski  
Caleigh Gouse

Wynn Gray  
Ashley Griffin  
Cecelia Jess  
Teagan Ryan  
Zoe Shown  
Reyna Wicken  
Marissa Wilson

## Freshman

Olivia Ackiewicz  
Adriana Barbano  
Emma Blodgett  
Riley Cohen  
Kelsey Connell  
Larkin Denton  
Camilynn Eastlack  
Reiss Everson  
Giulianna Gibbs  
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Carly Homeyer  
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Marissa Klepac  
Mila Patel  
Piper Powers  
Adrienne Querubin  
Avery Shaw  
Taylor Smythe  
Cecilia Stewart  
Jannah Sturgis

The 2025 GCIT Girls Soccer season was one of many highs and lows. The group of girls got along very well, which is not something that we will ever overlook. They persevered through various long-term injuries to starters and came together to have a successful season. Our captains, Brooke Jones, Margaret Duer, and McKenzie Marshall helped keep the group balanced through the struggles of our long season. They did a great job of maintaining the family-like atmosphere that we have built within this program.

From the time I became the head coach, the GCIT Girls Soccer team has set a very high standard and achieving that standard year after year is a challenge that we do not take for granted. This year's team has proven once again that they were one of the better teams in South Jersey, and this was made evident by making their first Coaches Cup appearance. The season highlights consisted of playing in the tournament, beating both Cherry Hill West and Cherry Hill East (first round of playoffs), and making a NJTAC State Championship game appearance. We had four players earn All-Star honors: Kori Leacott and Jorja Widmer earned 1st Team All-Conference honors and Brooke Jones and Teagan Moore, who earned 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-Conference honors.

I would like to thank our seniors, Margaret Duer, Ava Herbst, Brooke Jones, Joanna Newshel and Kaylee Smith, for leading each and every day. Whether they played 80 minutes or no time at all, each of them always puts the team before the individual, and that is something that I do not take for granted as their coach. One of my goals as a coach is for each player that goes through the GCT Girls Soccer program to come out of it both a better soccer player and a better person than when she started. I believe all five of our seniors have done just that, and they will be greatly missed.

Lastly, I would like to thank a few people. To the team's assistant coaches, Jeff Burns and Liz Mizia, thank you for your support throughout the season. To the soccer parents, thank you for showing up and always supporting the girls. Thanks to Kelli Swanson, our Athletic Trainer, for her commitment to getting and keeping the girls as healthy as they could be. To Ms. McAteer, thank you for always being there to help with various issues. And many thanks to Dr. Daniel Uszaki, who stepped up in a major way to support the program in his first year as Athletic Director.

# GIRLS TENNIS

Steven Mroz, Head Coach  
Ronald Wenzel, Assistant Coach

## VARSITY

Isabella Baker  
Sage Eaise  
Kelly Farrell  
Ingrid Giannone

Melanie Lang  
Gwen Leshay-Skinner  
Amanda Pawela  
Emily Trzcinski

## JUNIOR VARSITY

Laylah Farrell  
Makayla Garvin  
Dalani Graham  
Morgan Hendri

Julianna Johanson  
Maryam Kassim  
Elliana Marchiafava  
Elena Marshall  
Rachel Metz

Rylie Rotsettis  
Seneca Samaniego  
Hailey Schmidt  
Brea Wilkins-Castle

The 2025 Girls Tennis team faced a rebuilding year after losing five varsity players to graduation. Early practices revealed standout performances, with sophomore Amanda Pawela rising to first singles, followed by Isabella Baker and Gwen Leshay-Skinner. Doubles teams featured senior Ingrid Giannone and junior Saige Eaise at first doubles, while second doubles rotated between senior Emily Trzcinski, junior Melanie Lang, and freshman Kelly Farrell.

Despite an opening loss to Kingsway, the team bounced back with an impressive 8-match winning streak. Key victories included a dramatic win over Delsea, clinched by Farrell and Trzcinski in a tiebreaker and a gutsy triumph over undefeated Washington Township, sealed by Baker in a third-set tiebreaker.

The team competed in the Gloucester County Tournament, earning a 4th place finish in doubles. The varsity squad closed the season with a strong 13-6 record. Meanwhile, the JV team quietly dominated, estimated to have won 90% of their matches, and earned praise for their professionalism and positivity—attributes credited to both coaching and supportive families.

As we look ahead, the future of GCIT Girls Tennis is bright. With rising talent, strong leadership, and a culture of excellence, this team is ready to build on its success and continue making waves.

### Seniors:

- Ingrid Giannone - Engineering
- Emily Trzcinski – Biological Sciences
- Hailey Schmidt - Cosmetology

### Season Achievements:

- Gloucester County Tournament
  - 4<sup>th</sup> place Doubles
    - Ingrid Giannone & Saige Eaise
- Tri-County – Royal Division – All Stars
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Team Singles
    - Amanda Pawela
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Doubles
    - Ingrid Giannone & Saige Eaise
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Singles
    - Isabella Baker

# Volleyball - Girls

Dominique Marcano, Head Coach  
Drew Favat & Alexis Perez, Assistant Coaches

## VARSITY

Bianca Racquel Castro	Casey Guillermo*	Armando Papanicolas, Mgr.
Ava Cope	Brooklynn Keating	Madison Riley
Neko Faust	Camryn Kulas	Ava Schneeman, Mgr.
Amber Fillari-Connors, Mgr.	Alexander Laino, Mgr.	Brea Skuzinsky
Kristine Gonzales	Savannah Misner	Madison Spencer
Kyler Greco	Christian Oebbecke, Mgr.	Anya Taylor, Mgr.
	Kylene Ortiz	

## JUNIOR VARSITY

Alese Beverly	Kelsey Oebbecke
Gwendolyn Burghen	Isabella Paster
Averie Fergone	Grace Popoff
Cecelia Kettinger	Florence Raie
Samantha Lafferty	Alysse Sison

## FRESHMAN

Anabela Baur	Sophia Monaghan
Andrea Campbell	Britany Munoz-Ramos, Mgr
Chloe Crawford	Christine Phan
Emily DiDomenico	Elle Schmidt
Miliani Joy Edu, Mgr.	Salima Selman Yamin
Isabella Ehret	Rachel Smith
Nazzarena Gurcsik	Kayleigh Wiley
Lily Molinari	Elsie Young

The GCIT 2025 Girls Volleyball team had a memorable and hard-fought season that began over the summer with open gyms and participation in the Cherokee summer league. Led by our captains, these sessions helped set the foundation for our program regarding teamwork, communication, and dedication that carried into the season.

Once the regular season began, the team faced early challenges with multiple injuries, forcing us to make key adjustments to our lineup. Despite the rough start, the girls battled back with determination and heart, finishing the season with a strong 12-13 record. Throughout the season, many players achieved career milestones, which included Kylene Ortiz's 200+ assists, Casey Guillermo's 500+ digs and 100+ aces, and Brooklynn Keating's, Camryn Kulas', and Madison Riley's 100+ kills. These milestones helped showcase the team's hard work, growth, and determination.

We are incredibly proud of all our athletes for their commitment and perseverance. Some of the highlights of the season included the Eastern Tournament's wins over Lenape and Northern Burlington after losing against them in the regular season, Senior Night in which all the girls contributed countless hours to make sure that it was a special event for our senior players, and the playoff match against Southern Regional, where every player gave their all in an incredible, high-energy game that showcased the team's skill and love for the sport. This was truly an unforgettable year for GCIT Girls Volleyball, filled with growth, teamwork, and pride.

A special thank you goes out to our seniors and captains – Madison Riley, Kristie Gonzales, and Kylene Ortiz—for their outstanding leadership, dedication, and contributions to the program. We wish them, along with Kyler Greco and Christian Oebbecke, nothing but success in their future endeavors. We would also like to thank all the girls and their families in the program for always showing up and doing everything they possibly could to make the season the best it could be. We'd also like to extend our gratitude to our athletic trainer, Kelli, for keeping our athletes healthy and ready to play, and to our athletic department—Betsy and Dan—for their continuous support throughout the season.

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## **SPECIAL THANKS**

A special “THANK YOU” to the following people for helping us recognize our student athletes tonight and supporting our programs throughout the school year:

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*For their continued support of our athletic teams, we would like to also thank:*

The GCIT Coaching Staff who continue to raise the bar for excellence and success;  
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**Go Cheetahs!**

**Dr. Daniel Uszaki**  
**Assistant Principal/Athletic Director**