

## Dever Named Conference Carolinas Scholar Athlete of Year

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Lees-McRae College junior Kevin Dever (Leesburg, N.J.) has been named the Conference Carolinas Men's Track and Field Scholar Athlete of the Year, announced league officials Wednesday. Dever enjoyed a tremendous junior season with the Bobcats, capping the year winning the pole vault at the Conference Carolinas Championships. His finals jump of 4.40

meters vaulted him to the top of the podium, earning him a spot on the all-Conference Carolinas First team.

"We are proud of Kevin and his accomplishments both in and out of the classroom," said Bobcat Director of Athletics Craig McPhail. "Being a conference champion in the pole vault, but also holding himself to a high standard academically is what we at Lees-McRae College strive for daily."

The Leesburg, N.J. native posted a 3.80 grade point average last fall, was named to the Conference Carolinas All-Academic Team, and was recently inducted into the Chi Alpha Sigma National Collegiate Athlete Honor Society.

Lees-McRae is expected to return 24 athletes from this year's squad, including rising seniors Dever, King, Josh Oliver (North Wilkesboro, N.C.) and Brandon Williams (Raleigh, N.C.).

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