Cortland Field Hockey Player Kelli Johnson Earns NYSWCAA Scholar Athlete Award

SUNY Cortland junior field hockey forward Kelli Johnson (Elma/Iroquois Central) is one of 12 student-athletes chosen to receive 2006 New York State Women’s Collegiate Athletic Association (NYSWCAA) Scholar Athlete Awards.

Johnson is the only junior and one of only two field hockey players honored. She is a mathematics major with a 3.64 overall grade point average.

A standout for Cortland’s nationally-ranked field hockey squad the past three season, Johnson is currently ranked third in school history with career totals of 54 goals scored and 137 total points and is fourth with 29 assists. Last fall she led the Red Dragons with 18 goals and six assists for 42 total points. Cortland finished 15-3 and advanced to the NCAA Division III quarterfinals.

The NYSWCAA Scholar Athlete Awards are selected based on a number of criteria. Nominees must have a minimum 3.0 grade point average and have demonstrated both academic and athletic excellence. Qualities such as sportsmanship and leadership are also evaluated. The 12 winners were selected from a group of 34 nominations statewide.

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