

- A. Each team sport that conducts a conference schedule selects a first, second, and honorable mention all-conference team. (Baseball, Basketball, Field Hockey, Football, Ice Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball, Tennis, and Volleyball)
  - All-Conference recognizes the best performing players
- B. In sports that do not have a conference schedule or standings, place-finishers are awarded medals to recognize all-conference. (Swimming, Indoor/Outdoor Track & Field, Wrestling: 1st-3rd get medals | Cross Country 1st-30th get medals; Golf: 1st-10th get medals)
  - In sports with individual events, first place will be first team, second place will be second team, and third place will be third team. Exceptions: in cross country, 1-10 is first team, 11-20 is 2nd team, and 21-30 in third team; in golf, 1-5 is first team, 6-10 is second team, no 3rd team or honorable mention in golf.
- C. An all-conference nominee must complete the season in order to be eligible for recognition.
- D. The size of the all-conference team is the same as the number of positions of the sport (e.g., five in basketball, 11 in soccer) and also includes positions designated on the regional All-America team. Any player who receives two or more votes and is not selected for all-conference is eligible for honorable mention. The honorable mention team does not exceed the number of spots on the first team of the all-conference allocation. (Amended, May 2022, Voting Delegates)

For Honorable Mention each nominated player receives the following points based on the ranked votes they received for all-conference:

Number Ranked	2 Points Awarded	1 Point Awarded
2	2	1
3	3, 2	1
4	4, 3	2, 1
5	5, 4, 3	2, 1
6	6, 5, 4	3, 2, 1
8	8, 7, 6, 5	4, 3, 2, 1
9	9, 8, 7, 6, 5	4, 3, 2, 1
10	10, 9, 8, 7, 6	5, 4, 3, 2, 1

- E. Each conference sport names a player, rookie (completed first year of eligibility), and coach of the year. Other OTY awards have to be approved by the awards committee.
- F. Procedure for all-conference voting (exceptions are listed in sport code):
  1. All information is to be submitted online.
  2. Information will be sent out at least the week prior to the process beginning for conference-schedule sports, which is typically the week before the final week of regular-season contests.
  3. During the week prior to the last contest of the season, the all-conference process opens. Coaches submit their nominations and all information online. Coaches provide an overall ranking of their nominees and comments about their players to help the other coaches distinguish a team's top players.

4. The timeline / deadlines will be discussed and set up during preseason calls to align with regional/national timelines. They will also be listed on the MAC Awards Calendar by the start of the regular season.
5. Coaches have the ability to request a pre-voting call to discuss all nominees before voting for the all-conference team.
6. Each coach is to prioritize their selections based on this formula:

Number at position or on team	Coaches Rank
1	2
2	3
3	5
4	6
5	8
6	9

In basketball, coaches rank 10 players.

7. Ties in the all-conference voting are not broken (including honorable mention spots)
8. All-Conference voting results will be emailed to coaches and SIDs prior to the Major Awards Call. No changes will be made to the All-Conference Teams. This is done for transparency purposes only. (Voting Delegates, Spring 2024)
9. After the completion of the all-conference team, coaches will then conduct a major awards (of the year awards) zoom call to openly discuss potential candidates and then conduct votes via an online ballot. Voting results will be shown on the call following the completion of all voting. Based on the all-conference team, coaches can nominate up to one player per major award. Major award recipients must come from the first team, except for Rookie of the Year. Exceptions: Defensive Player of the Year for basketball and volleyball does not need to come from the first team. (Amended, May 2022, Voting Delegates)
10. To be eligible for Rookie of the Year consideration, a student-athlete must be using their first year of collegiate eligibility in the sport they are being nominated for the award.
11. Coaches may not vote for nominees from their own institution. The all-conference teams will be tallied and released to the MAC SID's as soon as all coaches have voted. They will be released at a time pre-determined.
12. If a coach submits information that lacks integrity, the MAC Office will contact his or her director of athletics.
13. The MAC Office will adjust the voting for major awards and all-conference if discrepancies occur.