

Where are they now?

LETHBRIDGE SPORT COUNCIL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS



Three of the former players remain actively involved in sport: Tyler Toth, Shawn Grandmont, and Brayden Klippenstein who compete in bodybuilding, baseball, and track and field respectively. Currently 7 of the 8 former team members are pursuing degrees at post secondary institutions. The lone exception, Parker Lambkin is working full-time as a financial advisor, building towards his CFP designation. From their basketball season the former teammates highlighted several valuable skills that they continue to carry with them today. Teamwork and cooperation, hard work and commitment, and of course, dealing with defeats and overcoming adversity highlight nearly all of their stories.

In 2011-12 the Wilson Middle School Boys Senior Basketball team was on the verge of an undefeated season but was defeated in the City Championship final. What happened next was a heartwarming display of a team rising through their defeat and would define the boys and their time on the team. The boys took it upon themselves to make their own championship pennant and present it to their coach, Brad Dersch. For their display of sportsmanship and maturity they were awarded the Servus Credit Union Outstanding Sport Citizen Award. Today while time and distance may have them far apart, the experience the team shared that season almost a decade ago continues to have a meaningful impact on their lives.



When it comes to picking a favorite memory from the season the men are remarkably consistent in their responses, a mark both of how tight knit the group was and of how meaningful the experience was to all of them. They recall time spent traveling to tournaments, getting food, and just hanging out all citing what a fun and enjoyable group the team was. Great appreciation for the coaching, team culture, and brotherhood are consistent throughout the testimonials.

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