Haight, Scholtz named to All-American team



Their high school soccer careers may be behind them now, but Ryan Haight and Mackenzie Scholtz got one final honor before they officially become college students.

Late last month, both Haight and Scholtz were named to the United Soccer Coaches Scholar All-American teams for their performance on the field and in the classroom. A total of 121 players received High School Scholar All-America recognition, including 52 boys and 69 girls athletes across the country.

"It's absolutely incredible to have two student athletes recognized for this tremendous honor," Louisburg coach Kyle Conley said. "This is a credit to these two young adults' work ethic in the classroom and on the field. Both have excelled on the field for their respective teams and also got it done on the field."

Haight, who finished high school with a 4.0 GPA, was a key contributor on the Wildcat boys team that won 16 games and a Frontier League title last season.

He was second team All-Frontier League in 2017 and 2019 and was first team All-Frontier League in 2018. Haight was second team 4A-1A all-state in 2018 and first team 4A-1A all-state in 2019 and was named the Class 4A-1A Defensive Player of the Year.

In all, Haight had 43 starts in 46 appearances on defense. He

also totaled nine goals and four assists in his career as well.

As for Scholtz, she holds nearly every offensive record for the Wildcats. She has the school record for goals in a season (39), goals in a career (98), assists in a season (18) and in a career (39), points in a season (84) and in a career (235), game winning goals in a season (10), hat tricks in a season (9) and in a career (18).

Scholtz was also a 3-time first team All-Frontier League selection, 3-time 4A-1A first team all-state honoree and 2019 4A-1A Co-Offensive Player of the Year. She also did work in the classroom as she finished up high school with a 3.76 GPA.

To be eligible for All-America consideration, players first must be selected by their respective state through a recognized coaches' selection program. Each state is awarded a specific number of slots on the All-America team based on the number of high school coaches that are current United Soccer Coaches members.