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ECAC Announces Division III New England Women's Basketball All-Star Awards

CENTERVILLE, Mass. – Sarah Collins, a junior center from Babson College and Olivia Murphy, freshman forward from University of Massachusetts Boston headline the 2012-13 Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III New England Women's Basketball All-Star team, announced today by ECAC Interim Commissioner Steve Bamford. Collins, the ECAC Player of the Year and Murphy, the ECAC Rookie of the Year were selected based on a vote of regional coaches, or their respective designee, as major award winners.

Collins, a captain for the Beavers, posted impressive numbers in the 2012-13 season, averaging 18.9 points, 13.8 rebounds and 3.4 blocks per game. She led all of Division III women's basketball with 25 double-doubles and set single-season records for Babson in rebounds (401) and blocked shots (99). She has been named to the NEWMAC All-Conference team all four seasons of her career and she is NEWMAC Player of the Year for the first time this season. Collins is one of 11 finalists for the 2013 Jostens Trophy, an award given to an exceptional Division III basketball player who stands out on the court, in the classroom and community.

This season Murphy led the Little East Conference in four statistical categories: total rebounds (266), total offensive rebounds (109), offensive rebounds per game (4.2) and rebounds per game (10.2). She averaged 14.5 points and 10.2 rebounds per game. Defensively, Murphy finished second in the conference in blocks per game (1.8) and fifth in steals (1.7). She was named to the Little East All-Rookie and All-Defensive Teams as well as Rookie of the Year.

2012-13 ECAC Division III New England Women's Basketball All-Star Team

Player of the Year			
Sarah Collins	Jr.	C	Babson College
Rookie of the Year			
Olivia Murphy	Fr.	F	UMass-Boston
First Team			
Michaela Cosby	Sr.	G	Bridgewater State University
Marcia Voigt	Sr.	G	Amherst College
Sarah Collins	Jr.	C	Babson College
Claire Baecher	Sr.	F	Williams College
Colleen Moriarty	Sr.	F.	UMass-Dartmouth
Second Team			
Deanna Purcell	So.	G	Rivier University
Nicole Garland	Sr.	G	University of Southern Maine
Beth Suggs	Sr.	F	University of New England
Fiona O'Dwyer	Sr.	F	Emmanuel College
Vanessa Bosques	Gr.	F	Daniel Webster College