



# Ramsey Receives NAIA's Champions of Character Award

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Amber Ramsey was recently recognized with the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics' (NAIA) Champions of Character award winner for the 2009-10 school year. The NAIA will recognize her and the other Kansas City recipients Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> during the halftime of the 6:00pm men's NAIA National Tournament game held at Municipal Auditorium in downtown KC.

The 5 core values of the NAIA's Champion of Character include: Integrity, Respect, Responsibility, Sportsmanship, and Servant Leadership. These areas are defined by the NAIA as follows: **Integrity**- *positive traits that guide behavior*; **Respect**- *treating others the way you want to be treated*; **Responsibility**- *the social force that binds the individual to the good of the team*; **Sportsmanship**- *following the rules, spirit and etiquette of athletic competition*; and **Servant Leadership**- *servicing the greater good*.

Amber is a shining example of these five core values as she lives her daily life and competes on the hardwood. Her teammates respect her for the way she works and competes in the classroom and on the court. Ramsey's work ethic and perspective on life are contagious as she shares her love of athletics and people with her teammates and friends. Her plans include continuing her academic and basketball career in college where she plans to earn a degree in teacher education.

Amber is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Lady Raven Basketball Player to receive this award. Past recipients include: Alex Morgan (2007) and Kelsey Anselmi (2009). Her name will be placed on a plaque with the past winners and displayed in the main entrance of Olathe Northwest High School.