

Knights fast-pitch catcher named 2011 Diamond Sports Catcher of the Year



Wenatchee Valley College Knights fast-pitch catcher Cassi Ellis has been named as one of the 2011 Diamond Sports Catchers of the Year by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association and Diamond Sports.

Ellis helped the Knights finish third at this year's NWWAAC tournament by batting .410 with 37 RBIs this season. The East Wenatchee, Wash., native also tallied 32 runs, 48 hits and 11 doubles on the season. Ellis will continue her playing career next season at Central Washington University.

The Diamond Sports Catcher of the Year award is presented annually to the top catcher from an NFCA member institution in each of the following divisions: NCAA (Divisions I, II and III), NAIA, NJCAA (Divisions I, II and III), Cal JC, NWAACC and high school.

A committee comprised of head coaches in each of the 10 divisions determines the winner of their respective award.